

**Ryan Nam stars in his second ABTA Win at Bowling Square**  
**1 lucky lady hits Match Game of \$3,500**  
**Match Series estimate of \$1,900 next week**  
**Match Game estimate of \$3,200**  
**ABTA Returns to West Covina Lanes this Weekend for big Xmas Event**  
**We will be giving out lots of gifts and prizes**  
**3-6-9 is \$2,500 at West Covina Lanes**

In our long awaited return to Bowling Square, bowlers came out for a semi tough shot this week. We had 208 entries this week. Cut scores were a +80 for the men and +36 for the women. This week, our three Super Seniors added to the board were Leo Tartamella (+77) and Victor Paolucci (+69) for the men and Bobbie McCollum (+31) for the women. That would give us 49 bowlers making it to the semi-finals this week.

For all qualifying squads our top qualifier for the Men was Ely "Camera Man" Cruz with a +191, and for the women it was Talia St Angelo with a +115. 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 \$1,568. The top seed drew a 663 but we had no one that bowled that score. Next week at West Covina Lanes we will estimate the Match Series at \$1,900. For the 3-6-9 qualifying this week, Matt Garcia was the final person standing to go for the \$2,400 pot. He missed on his first shot and received a \$50 consolation. We will add another \$100 at West Covina Lanes for total of \$2,500.

In the doubles this week, we had 160 groups get into the doubles, with 20 spots paid out. The top prize this week went to Ely Cruz and Marvin Crowder with a 1509 for \$160. In 2<sup>nd</sup> place, it was Minh Dang and Je Je Gabriel with a 1449 for \$140. The low to cash was 1384; we paid out \$1600 in doubles.

In the semis this week we saw Ryan Nam bowl a 300 game in the second game and hold on in the third game to lead the field with a +165 and sit out and bowl for the title. Ely Cruz came in second at +140 and would sit out the first round. It took a +66 for the men and women combined to make the top 16.

This week, our top seed in semi-finals had the honor of drawing the match game worth \$3500, the pot maxes out at that amount, we have a second pot growing, and that is currently at \$1965, and drew a 194. After a review of all the scores bowled, we had one lucky person who had bowled that score during qualifying, that was Beth Borci. With the backup pot, we will estimate the pot to be \$3200 at West Covina for the big Christmas event this weekend.. This week we had 11 new bowlers join us, and four returning member's. Let us welcome these new bowlers to the club, Lorna Navarro, Marilyn Tambio, Jyl Paloma, Brett Yokota, Alex Quon, Mark Kwon, Bert Educalan, Joe Early, Nicholas Early, Jeff Nance, and Andrew Nance.

This would bring us to our Match Play finals now. In the first round the seven losers were Beth Borci, Kerry Lucka, Jeff Taino, Michael Kong, Mark Andrews, Jaime Perez, and Talia St. Angelo, they would receive checks of \$100 each. In the second round, the losers were Derek Lee, Vuong Do, Pablo Castro, and Cecilia Lung and each would get checks of \$107.50. This would get us to down to the final four bowlers. At this point, our horses would be paying anywhere from a low of \$35 (Jiradej Harnpatanakitpanich) to a high of \$77 (Darrow Tiongco) depending on who would win. In this round we saw Jiradej Harnpatanakitpanich (3<sup>rd</sup> seed) bowling Darrow Tiongco (15<sup>th</sup> seed). In this match, Jiradej would get the better of Darrow with a 218 to 204 finish. In the other match we saw Michael Benavides (14<sup>th</sup> seed) bowling Ely Cruz (2<sup>nd</sup> seed). In this match, Ely would continue his hot bowling and get the better of Michael in this match with a 288 to 174 final score. Darrow and Michael finished in 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> getting checks for \$115 each. Our semi-final match was set to be bowled on 11 and 12; we had our 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> seeds into the top 16 bowling each other. In our horses this week we would see Ely paying \$44 and Jiradej paying \$35 if they win their match. In this match, Ely would lose his shot as he would open in 6 out of the first seven frames, thus giving Jiradej the victory. The final was 180/223 to 129/175 for Jiradej sending him the title match. For those lucky "investors" that had Jiradej as a horse, he paid \$35. Ely finished 3<sup>rd</sup> and received \$200.

The title game is set and bowled on lanes 13 and 14 this week. Ryan being the top seed elected to start the match first. Ryan would open in the first frame, but Jiradej matched that as he also missed a 10 pin. Jiradej would get a spare in his second frame. Ryan would come up in the second and third frames and get strikes, with Jiradej getting another spare in his third frame. In the fourth frame for Jiradej he would leave the 2-7 split and only get 1 pin, giving him 53 through 4 frames. In the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> frames for Ryan he would get strikes, giving him a 37 pin lead. Jiradej would get spares in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> frames, giving him a 70 through five frames with the mark in the 6<sup>th</sup>. Ryan would get a strike in the 6<sup>th</sup> frame and spare the 7<sup>th</sup> frame, at this point just making it a formality of finishing the match as he had a 147 through six frames. Jiradej would open in the 7<sup>th</sup> giving him a 95 through seven, and putting him down by 63 pins. Ryan would finish the

match with a 234/269 to 141/184, giving him his second ABTA championship. Ryan would take home \$1000 for the win and an additional \$100 for wearing his ABTA shirt, and \$850 in cash and carry. Jiradej finished in 2<sup>nd</sup> for \$500.

Champion Ryan Nam is from San Gabriel and used a Storm Reign of Fire drilled by Jimmy Wong. He is single but "spoken" for by lovely Christina Chung. He would like to thank Christina for all her support and our "three kids" Bebe, Bubu, and Bailie. Thank you to Michael Kong, Samson Kong, Wilson Cheung, Adrian, Steven Au, and all the Mao Liu bowlers.

Jiradej Harnpatanakitpanich (2<sup>nd</sup> Place) is from Buena Park and used a Taboo Hammer drilled by Mike Wahl. He is single. He would like to thank the ABTA, Staff, and his "manager" Jenny for all her encouragement and support. With a special thank you to all his friends in Thailand Jojo and Joe.

Ely Cruz (3<sup>rd</sup> Place) is from Baldwin Park and used a Lane 1 drilled by Mike Wahl. He is married to Nympha, and they have one daughter Rita with a granddaughter Tori. Thank you to all his family and friends, specially Danny G., Romy C. Vic G. Next time guys!

This week, the weekly ball sponsor winner of a 900 Global Ball was Pablo Castro and he won a Bank. 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 Chris Romero and Kenny Kwan. Winning an entry in our January Las Vegas event was Pablo Castro. Winning an ABTA entry with Ball in our Las Vegas event was Samson Kong. Winning a 900 Global Ball, the Favorite, was Adam Drodz. The rest of the results are in the payoff sheet in this paper.

This Saturday, December 18<sup>th</sup>, West Covina Lanes is our host for a 1 day special Christmas event. Saturday squads are 12 pm, 1 pm, 2:30 pm, 4:00 pm, and 6 pm is the final squad. Please plan on showing up early for squad times. The semi-finals will start at approximately 7:45 pm. Remember to check in early as it will be busy. 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 Ryan Nam enter the archives as our latest champion. Hope to see you at West Covina 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!