

Michael Davis stars in his 1st ABTA Championship at West Covina

4 Share Match Series of \$2,614

Match Series estimate of \$400 next week

Match Game estimate of \$3,500

ABTA Returns to Midtown this weekend

3-6-9 is \$1,400 at Midtown

In our return to West Covina, we had a very nice turn out of 190 entries this week, and thank you to all the bowlers that helped out in scoring during the 6 pm and semis, as we were missing Rey, Faye and Marvin due to illness. Cut scores were a +91 for the men and +64 for the women. The Super Seniors added to the board (2 men and 1 woman) were Tom Dahl (+83) and Dino Cantoria (+81) and Wendy Soo Hoo (-16) for the women. That would give us 44 bowlers making it to the semi-finals this week.

For all qualifying squads, our top qualifier for the Men was Albert Fernandez with a +193, and for the women it was Dana LeCount with a +119. Each will get paid entry into a future regular ABTA event. Each week our top seed overall draws the Match Series, and this week it was worth \$2,614. The top seed drew a 524 and we had 4 individuals bowl that score. They were, Mike Moore, Tom Dahl, Allan Calabio, and Mike Bousquet. Their \$2 earned them \$653 each. Next week at Midtown we will estimate the Match Series at \$400. For the 3-6-9 qualifying this week, we had Melvin Finner outlasting the field, but missed on the third shot and received a \$50 consolation. We will add another \$100 at Midtown for total of \$1,400.

This week we did not offer doubles as we were short handed. They will return next week at Midtown.

In the semis this week, we saw Michael Davis lead the semis from start to finish with a +132 to sit out and bowl for the title. Carlos Umana came in second at +111 and would sit out the first round. It took a +50 for the men and a +14 for the women to make the top 16.

This week, our top seed in semi-finals had the honor of drawing the match game worth \$2,490 and Michael drew a 267. After a review of all the scores bowled, we had no scores that matched. We will estimate the pot to be \$3,500 at Midtown. This week we had five new bowlers join us. Let us welcome these new bowlers to the club, Geraldine Pangilinan, Lisa McGivern, Alexander Vega, Stephanie Mullen, and Denita Miller.

This would bring us to our Match Play finals now. In the first round the seven losers were Darrow Tiongco, Chris Marquez, Lordan Ferguson, Billy Chao, Rodney Payne, Ginalynn Velarde, and Dino Cantoria, they would receive checks of \$100 each. In the second round, the losers were Emilio Flores, Jessica Ting, Kerry Lucka, and David M. Jones 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 (Carlos Umana) to a high of \$55 (Anthony Martinez and John Phan) depending on who would win. In this round we saw Anthony Martinez (10th seed) bowling Pengsean Chea(8th seed). In this match, Anthony would get the better of Pengsean with a 214/234 to 194/224 finish. In the other match we saw John Phan (5th seed) bowling Carlos Umana (2nd seed). In this match, Carlos would get the better of John in a match that neither bowler would find the shot with a 158/189 to 146/183 finish. John and Pengsean finished in 4th and 5th getting checks for \$115 each. Our semi-final match was all set to be bowled on 51 and 52; we had our 2nd and 10th seeds into the top 16 bowling each other. In our horses this week we would see Anthony paying \$55 and Carlos paying \$35 if they win their match. In this match, Anthony would start out hot and continue that way all the way to the end and win the match over Carlos with a 235/255 to 177/208. That would give Anthony the victory and for those lucky "investors" that had Anthony as a horse, he paid \$55. Carlos finished 3rd and received \$200.

The title game is set and bowled on lanes 49 and 50 this week. Michael being the top seed elected to start the match first. Michael would start out with a open and Anthony would match that with a open of his own. This proved to be a match to see who could mark. Michael after the 1st frame open would stay clean the rest of the match, while Anthony would struggle to string marks. He would open in the 8th and 9th frames to open the door for Michael to take the victory with a 174/193 to 151/171 giving him his 1st ABTA title. Michael would take home \$1000 for the win and an additional \$425 in Cash and Carry. Anthony was bowling on a reduced entry so he would get \$300 for 2nd place.

Champion Michael Davis is from Corona and used a Storm Dimension drilled at Riverside Lanes.. He is married and they have 2 children. He would like to thank his wife Mandy for letting him bowl.

Anthony Martinez (2nd Place) is from Covina and used an Prodigy drilled by Aarik Torres, another one of our fine bowlers. He is single. He would like to thank his mMom and Dad, sister Joanne, Desiree Herrera, Demitrius Cash, and his friends who supported him.

Carlos Umana (3rd Place) is from Rialto and used a Ebonite Bash drilled by Marv Sargent. He is married with two boys. He would like to thank David Pruitt, Emilio Flores, Pengsean Chea, Danita, and the ABTA Staff.

This week the weekly ball sponsor winner of a 900 Global Ball was Jhun Tan, he received the 3 ball roller bag from 900 Global. Each time you bowl, you get a free ticket for this prize given away by our Sponsor, 900 Global. The rest of the results are in the payoff sheet in this paper.

This week we will be at Midtown with squads being 12 pm, 1 pm, 2:30 pm, 4 pm and final squad at 6 pm. Remember to be early to avoid the long lines that happen at Midtown. See our ad for address and directions, or check our website (www.abta1.com) to link to address for directions. (HANDICAP SPECIAL AT MIDTOWN)

Its history folks as Michael Davis enter the archives as our latest champion. Hope to see you at Midtown! 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!