

Bryan Moore stars in his 2nd ABTA Championship at Bowlium Lanes

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ABTA Returns to Classic Lanes in Norco this weekend

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Welcome everyone to the weekly edition of ABTA news. We returned to Bowlium Lanes this past weekend with a turnout of 272 entries in our one day event, that featured the first of the two week handicap special. For those that came out at 6 pm, they saw eight and nine bowlers to a pair during the last squad. We had decent shot for the tournament making the cut scores of +41 for the men and +29 for the women. The Super Seniors added to the board (3 men and 1 female) were James Futch (+38), Fred Ringor (+36), and Omenza Gaston (-14). Super Seniors are men 63 and over, and for the women you just need to be a young 55. That would give us 64 bowlers making it to the semi-finals this week.

For all qualifying squads, our top qualifier for the Men was John Licauco with a +161, and for the women it was Deborah Sanders with a +66, and if you remember the story from last week, these are repeat top qualifiers for both the Men and the Women, I believe that is a first for the ABTA. Each of them will get paid entry into a future regular ABTA event. Each week our top seed overall draws the Match Series, and this time it was worth \$764. The top seed drew a 664. We had no bowlers that bowled this score during qualifying and at our next event we will estimate the Match Series at \$1,200. For the 3-6-9 qualifying, Nghiem Tran was the last person standing of all the qualifiers and he would go for the pot, but he missed on the second shot and received \$50 consolation. The 3/6/9 will be \$1,700 at Classic Lanes.

In our optional doubles, finishing in first were John Licauco and Jiradej Harnpanakitpanich with a 1475 for \$140. Finishing second was father and son, Thomas and John Licauco with 1469 for \$120. There was a total of \$1340 paid out in doubles and 22 paid spots with low to cash of 1311.

In the semis we saw three different leaders during the semis as the shot was different across all sections. In the end it was Ken Morris who would finish with a +155 to sit out and bowl for the title this week, the others that lead during semis were Derico Atkins and Salvatore Galluzzo. Coming in second was Nghiem Tran with a +82 to sit out the first round. It took a +25 for the men and +18 for the women.

Our top seed in semi-finals had the honor of drawing the match game worth \$3,500, the pot is maxed out and we have a back-up pot that is also maxed out, with a third pot now started, that will for sure put the Match Game at \$3,500 for our next three events. Our top seed drew a 219. After a review of all the scores bowled, we had no bowlers who shot that score. We will have \$3,500 next week at Classic Lanes, and continue to build on the back-up pot, which is \$520. This week we had eleven new bowlers joined us. Let us welcome these new bowlers to the club, Jeng Aquino, Donald Strong, Ken Paraiso, Aldrian Arana, Inger Bortolazzo, Jun Castro, Lito Eusebio, Kevin Cho, Denis Kabistan, Richard Tan, and Lucy Velasco.

This would bring us to our top 16 Match Play finals. In the first round, the seven losers were Thomas Licauco, Victoria Toro, Derico Atkins, Cezar Marcella, Julian Conwi, Jamescart Alarcio, and Som Seng, they received checks of \$115 each. In the second round, the losers were Dana LeCount, Faye Josafat, Ben Mach, and Nghiem Tran, they received checks of \$125 each. This would get us to down to the final four bowlers. At this point, our horses would be paying anywhere from a low of \$47 (Andy Yu) to a high of \$65 (Salvatore Galluzzo and Michael Benavides) depending on who would win. In this round we saw Bryan Moore (9th seed) bowling Michael Benavides (15th seed). In this match, we would see Bryan continue his hot bowling to finish with a 218 to 177 and advanced to the next round. In the other match we saw Andy Yu (6th seed) bowling Salvatore Galluzzo (7th seed). In this match, Andy would also continue his hot bowling to finish with a 239 to 195 and advanced. Salvatore and Michael finished in 4th and 5th getting checks for \$135 each.

Our semi-final match was all set now, and it would be bowled on Lanes 7 and 8 this week and pitted our 6th seed against our 9th seed. In the weekly "horses" we would see Bryan paying \$61 and Andy paying \$47 if they would win their match. In a match that was close all the way to the end, we would see Andy open in the 7th frame to allow Bryan to take the lead. Andy would finish the match first and mark in the 10th to force Bryan to

get a mark. Bryan came up and got a strike on the first ball that would send him on to the title match with a 180/218 to 154/202 to advance him to the title match. That would give Bryan the victory and for those lucky "investors" that had him as a horse, he paid \$61. Andy finished 3rd and received \$210.

The title game is set and bowled on Lanes 9 and 10 this week, and we would see one of our regular bowler, Ken Morris, bowling one of our directors, Bryan for the title. Ken being the top seed elected to start the match. Ken would start like he was on a mission to the title as he would stay clean through the first six frames, while we would see Bryan have two opens in the first six frames. The tide would change quickly as Ken would leave the 6-7-10 split in the 7th frame and then come back up in the 8th and chop the 6-10 to have back to back opens, that would give Bryan an slim lead at that point. Bryan would come up in the 9th frame to finish the match first. He got his strike in the 9th and then come up in the 10th to double. He got an 8 count and then picked up one of those to lock out the match. He would finish with a 183/221 to 176/205 to take home his second ABTA Title. Bryan would take home \$1,000 for 1st place, \$850 for cash and carry, and \$100 for wearing an ABTA shirt, giving him a total of \$1,950 for the win. Ken received \$500 for 2nd place.

Champion Bryan Moore used a Brunseick Fury drilled by Mike Wahl. He is married to Marcy and would like to say thank his family for letting him bowl and their full support. He would also like to thank his brother Mike for his encouragement, Bowlium Lanes, the ABTA and staff.

Ken Morris (2nd Place) is from Mission Viejo and used a Hammer Hot Sauce Pearl drilled by Dick Braasch. He is engaged to LeAnn with a New Years Eve wedding that is being planned. He would like to say thank you to the ABTA, staff, and Andy for his coaching along with Dick for drilling his equipment, with a special thank you to LeAnn for allowing him to do what he loves, bowling.

Andy Yu (3rd Place) is from Monterey Park and used a Nano drilled in Japan. He is married to Winie and would like to say thank you to the Mao-Liu league and his friends Billy Chao, Kenny Kwan for their support along with the ABTA and staff.

The weekly ball sponsor winner of a 900 Global Ball was Jason Yeh, and he won the Double Clutch. Each time you bowl, you get a free ticket for this prize given away by our Sponsor, 900 Global. In our weekly raffle, the winners for an ABTA entry were Tony Leogrande, Matt Garcia, Eldie Abutan, and Jason Yeh. Winning an Entry in Las Vegas was Alvin Francisco, and also he won the 900 ball raffled off, the Shredder. Winning 2 nights in Las Vegas was Janice Meloon, and winning ABTA shirts were Travis Weather, and Gino Mansilungan. The rest of the results are in the payoff sheet in this paper.

Our next event will be at Classic Lanes for the first of our multi event handicap specials. To receive two bonus pins you need to have bowled at both Bowlium and Classic lanes, if you only bowled Bowlium you will earn no bonus pins, and if you only bowl Classic Lanes you earn 1 bonus pin. This week at Classic Lanes it will be a "Beat the Board Semis" with only the top 3 losing pins. Squad times are 12 pm, 1 pm, 2:30 pm, 4 pm and final qualifying squad at 6 pm. Please be on time to avoid the long line and show up early, plus if you want to avoid the 8 or 9 to a pair at 6 pm, bowl during one of our earlier squads. See our ad for address and directions, or check our website (www.abta1.com) to link to address for directions. Did you receive a schedule in the Mail? If you did not, please send us an email via contact page with your Name and Address so we can send you one and get your corrected address in the system.

Its history folks as Bryan Moore enter the archives as our latest champion. Hope to see you at Classic 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!