

Vuong Do stars in his 4th ABTA Championship at Cal Bowl

Match Series estimate of \$1,500 next week

Match Game maxed out at \$3,500

ABTA Returns to Southpoint Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas for 4th of July Event

Starting on Thursday at 9:30 pm

3-6-9 is \$1,900 at Southpoint Hotel & Casino

Welcome everyone to the weekly edition of ABTA news. We returned to Cal Bowl this past weekend for a special Frozen Handicapp event, and they came out with a turnout of 269 entries in our one day event. We had decent shot for the tournament making the cut scores of +65 for the men and +45 for the women. The Super Seniors added to the board (3 men and 1 female) were Jack Trongale (62), Bud Zajorski (59), Ester Licauco (-11). Super Seniors are men 63 and over, and for the women you just need to be a young 55. That would give us 62 bowlers making it to the semi-finals this week.

For all qualifying squads, our top qualifier for the Men was David Owens with a +185, and for the women it was Ginalynn Velarde with a +70, 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 \$472. The top seed drew a 619. We had no bowlers that bowled this score during qualifying and at our next event we will estimate the Match Series at \$1,500. For the 3-6-9 qualifying, Vic Santos 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 \$1,900 at Southpoint Hotel & Casino.

In our optional doubles, finishing in first were Sol Cericos and Jeff Taino with a 1415 for \$170. Finishing second was Holden Au and Ada Wong-Hum with 1414 for \$150. There was a total of \$1950 paid out in doubles and 29 paid spots with low to cash of 1318.

In the semis we saw John Licauco jump out and lead the first two games in semis this week, but with a big third game was Vuong Do, and that would be enough to capture the lead with a +150 to sit out and bowl for the title this week. Coming in second was John Licauco with a +115 to sit out the first round. It took a +57 for the men and +32 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 140. After a review of all the scores bowled, we had no bowlers who shot that score. We will have \$3,500 next week at Southpoint Hotel & Casino, and continue to build on the third back-up pot, which is \$280. This week we had five new bowlers joined us. Let us welcome these new bowlers to the club, Steven Alford, Frank Ortega, Mathew Wooton, Sue Mivelaz-West, and Teriece Anderson.

This would bring us to our top 16 Match Play finals. In the first round, the seven losers were Jerry Chang, Danny Eguilos, Ada Wong-Hum, David Owens, Tomas Chavez, Shaun Suase, and Art Lindsey, they received checks of \$115 each. In the second round, the losers were Gabriel Martinez, Alex Reyes, William Garrett, and John Licauco, 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 \$52 (Frank Ortega) to a high of \$78 (Cecilia Lung) depending on who would win. In this round we saw Cecilia Lung (16th seed) bowling Frank Ortega (11th seed). In this match, we would see Cecilia continue her hot bowling to finish with a 233 to 194 and advanced to the next round. In the other match we saw Jean Colian (14th seed) bowling Billy Chao (7th seed). In this match, Jean, one of the other 3 females to make the top 16, would also continue her hot bowling to finish with a 222 to 190 and advanced. Billy and Frank 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 9 and 10 this week and pitted our 16th seed against our 14th seed, and two out of the 3 women were bowling each other in the semi-final match. In the weekly "horses" we would see Jean paying \$59 and Cecilia paying \$78 if they would win their match. In a match that was close through the first 4 frames as both bowlers would mark in those frames. But it was Jean who had the first open in the 5th and followed it up with a missed 10 pin in the 6th to put her down by 28 pins. This would be enough for Cecilia even though she would miss two single pin spares in the 8th and 9th frames. Cecilia would finish with a 166/213 to 151/186 to send her onto the title match this week, while Jean would finish in 3rd place and take home \$210. For those lucky "investors" that had her as a horse, she paid \$78.

The title game is set and bowled on Lanes 7 and 8 this week, and we would see two of our regular bowler bowling each other, and both were crowd favorites, in Vuong Do vs Cecilia Lung. Vuong elected to lead off the match first. He would start off with a mark, that would bring up Cecilia, and it appeared as if the nerves would bother her as she had two opens to start the match. The match would go back and forth from there, in the 4 thru 6 frames we would see Cecilia have strikes. But that was to be matched by Vuong having strikes in the 5 thru the 9 frames, and with an open by Cecilia

in the 8th that would prove to be enough for Vuong this week to take home his 4th ABTA title. Vuong would finish with a 214/237 to 184/231 to take home his fourth ABTA Title. Vuong would take home \$1,000 for 1st place, \$1,700 for cash and carry, and \$100 for wearing an ABTA shirt, giving him a total of \$2,800 for the win. Cecilia received \$500 for 2nd place.

Champion Vuong Do used a Storm Nano drilled by Ben Mach. He is from Westminster and single, but another fine bowler in Julie Nguyen is his girlfriend. He would like to thank Julie for all her support, Ben for drilling his equipment and the ABTA and Staff for all their encouragement and support.

Cecilia Lung (2nd Place) is from Monterey Park and used a Nomad Pearl drilled by Jimmy Wong. She is married to another fine bowler, who she beat in the first round Jerry Chang. She would like to thank her husband Jerry, and dad for their support. Along with her fellow Mou-Liu League bowlers, along with the ABTA, her brothers and sisters and friends.

Jean Colian (3rd Place) is from Long Beach, and used a Morich. She is single and would like to thank her family for all their support, especially her Mom and Dad who also bowl the ABTA.

The weekly ball sponsor winner of a 900 Global Ball was Dan West , and he won the Double Clutch Pearl. 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 Paul Le and Sue West. Winning an Entry in Las Vegas was Conrad Amado and Rey Josafat. Winning a global 900 3 ball bag was David Owens, winning a 2 ball tote was Allan Calabio. Winning the Global 900 Ball the Eagle was Chris Kelly. The rest of the results are in the payoff sheet in this paper.

Our next event will be at Southpoint Hotel & Casino for the first of our 4 day 4th of July Event. See the add for further information on schedule, hope to see you up there. In 3 weeks we will return back to Southern California at West Covina Lanes. 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 Vuong Do enter the archives as our latest champion. Hope to see you at Southpoint Hotel & Casino! 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!