

TAGLE COMPLETES A TRIPLE CROWN YEAR



A gold medal in the trios event along with two bronze medals in the 24th East Asian Pacific Tenpin Bowling Championship and the Grand Champion of the 8th Guam International Open weren't enough to satisfy the appetite of Manny Tagle as he added a third title to his collection for the year winning the Budweiser King of the Lanes Grand Finale on Sunday, December 19, 2010 at the Central Lanes

Bowling Center.

Tagle used precision accuracy to conquer the dual pattern lane conditions and eliminate all opponents en route to his second Grand Finals crown. After 17 games which took almost 8 hours to complete, 3rd seed Tagle and 6th seed Joey Miranda III battled it out in the Grand Finals. With over 40 years of international experience and numerous international and local titles between the two along with similar styles, the mentor beat out the student

2 games to nil as Tagle out performed Miranda 206-183 and 216-184.

Both Tagle and Miranda earned their finals spot by beating the top seeds of the tournament as Miranda slipped past top seed Keith Guerrero 186-177 and 178-168 while Tagle beat out 2nd seed JD Castro 240-204 and 196-142 in the must beat higher seed twice semi-final match

ups.

In the quarter final round, Tagle edged out 5th seed Dante Godoy 202-191 while Miranda spared in the final stanza to advance past 4th seed Jay Leon Guerrero 168-164.

During the grueling 12 games qualifier contested by the top 16 bowlers of the year long event, Guerrero topped the field after struggling in the earlier rounds with a 2678 total including nine matches won during for 90 bonus points. Castro finished 2nd with 2652 also with 90 bonus points. Leon Guerrero followed in 3rd with a 2647 set falling behind with 80 bonus points while Tagle took fourth spot with a 2582 series on 90 points. Dante Godoy finished in fifth place with a 2426 total on 50 bonus points while Miranda slipped past the remaining field with a 2415 total on 70 bonus points.

For their efforts Tagle received the Budweiser Crown along with a trophy and a \$1000 check, Miranda was awarded \$600, Guerrero \$400, Castro \$300, Leon Guerrero \$200 and Godoy \$100.

JAVIER RETAINS PRINCESS CROWN

Shellee Javier put on a clinic in the elimination round ousting rivals in relatively easy fashion to retain the Prince(ss) of the Lanes title. Javier led most of the eight game qualifier until Michael Gadia took the pole position in the final game to claim the top seed, but Javier showed poise and conquered the dual pattern conditions which gave her the crown and 1st place check of \$500.

Javier finished the grand finals match up winning 2-0 against Gadia. In the first game of the best 2 of 3 match, Javier earned a 156-146 win as both bowlers struggled to pick their spares on the freshly oiled lanes. However, both bowlers turned it up a

notch in the second game with Gadia coming up on the short end of the stick as Javier destroyed the lanes with a seven bagger ending all hopes for the rookie as even a 214 game wasn't enough to beat out the reigning champion who delivered a 248 game to close out the match.

In the semi-final match top seed Gadia barely escaped the wratch of another female opponent, Arlene Taitague as he was able to breathe a sigh of relief after barely gracing the head pin to clear a spare and edge Taitague 180-170 after losing the first match in a must beat higher seed 2 games format 176-170. Javier completed her task in the first

game beating out 4th seed Hye Yeon Chang 197-193 to set up the finals match up.

In the quarter final match sixth seed Taitague eliminated 3rd seed Jayson Viray 159+24 to 167+3 while Chang beat out fellow compatriot Bou Kyung Jung 129+31 to 104+45.

Gadia used every pin fall he can squeeze out to edge Javier in the eight games qualifier held earlier in the day finishing with a total of 1466 along with 88 pins of handicap and seven matches won for a 1624 total while Javier was five pins shy finishing with a 1439 total with 120 pins of handicap and six matches won for a 1619 set. Viray was a mere two pins shy of Javier

on a scratch set of 1543 but only had 24 pins of handicap winning five matches for a 1617 total. Hye Young Chang finished fourth with a 1541 set followed by Bou Kyung Jung 1533 and Arlene Taitague topped of the sixth slot for entry in to the elimination round with a 1513 total.

Gadia received a check for \$300 while Jung was awarded \$200, Taitague \$150, Viray \$100 and Jung \$75.



Torre takes 2010 Senior Bowling Crown

When it came down to crunch time Manny Torre took some advice from fellow competitor Nori Catbagan and refocused to hit a pair of strikes and walked away with a 2010 Guam Senior Bowler of the Year title. The 50+ senior beat newcomer Ben Taimanglo 192 (+11 handicap) to 179 (+35 handicap) in the title match at Central Lanes Sunday afternoon.

The day started with the top 16 senior bowlers of the year including defending champion Hermee Maravilla competing in an 8 game match play format that would dwindle down to the top 6 competitors in an elimination format.

In the 1 game quarterfinal matches, Taimanglo got past 3rd seed Ramon Bilon 172 to 162 including handicap. Meantime Maravilla started his attempt at a repeat of his 2009 title with a narrow 10 pin victory (182 to 172 including handicap) over senior Norison Catbagan.

The semi-final rounds saw a different qualifying format where lower seeds must beat higher seeds by two games in order to advance. This forced Taimanglo to defeat top seed Mary Pangelinan twice

including handicap 212-168 and 164-141.

In the other semi-final match, Torre stopped Maravilla's attempt at a repeat with a 171-151 victory taking advantage of Maravilla's open in the 9th frame to seal the match and advance to the championship round with Taimanglo.

But in the end Taimanglo, gave it his all having to endure the extra elimination games, fell short to Torre who got the strikes when he needed them most to seal his championship round victory and an automatic invitation to next year's finals.

UPCOMING EVENTS

2011 Guam Senior Bowler of the Lanes

Open to bowlers 50 years of age and above

Event Date: 1/16/2011 11:00:00 AM

Info: Rick Torres at rtcastletowers@yahoo.com

Budweiser King and Prince of the Lanes 2011

The Budweiser King and Prince of the Lanes 2011 will be held on Sunday, January 23, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at the Central Lanes Bowling Center. This event is open to everyone with two divisions. The King and Queen division is an open event where female participants will be given handicap. The Prince and Princess of the Lanes division is open to bowlers with a 180 average and below. This event includes handicap for all bowlers.

Event Date: 1/23/2011 11:00:00 AM

Info: Central Lanes Bowling Center 646-7950

2011 Guam Senior Bowler Annual Championship

The 2011 Guam Senior Bowlers Annual Championship will be held on Sunday, January 30, 2011 at 10:00 a.m. This event is open to bowlers 50 years of age and above and must be a member of the Guam Senior Bowlers Federation. For information, contact Rick Torres.

Event Date: 1/30/2011 10:00:00 AM

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