

**TEAM PILIPINAS** played one helluva game frustrating the leader Covenant **10-0** in Round 9 of DFBC 51<sup>st</sup> All Filipino Bowling League 2017, 1<sup>st</sup> Conference Supported by BEFIT – AKI Fitness!!!

#2 Team Pilipinas stopped the streaking #1 Covenant halting their winning streak to 7 with a **10-0** mastery in Round 9 of the 51<sup>st</sup> DFBC All Filipino Bowling League, 2017 1<sup>st</sup> Conference supported by BEFIT-AKI Fitness.

It was the battle of the Titans between the top two teams with Team Pilipinas entering the game as the underdogs going up against the leader who after dropping their first game have managed to win 7 consecutive games. Team Pilipinas quickly turned the tables around their hot streaking opponent with timely hits that thwarted numerous attempt of Covenant to take the lead. The quintet of John Lloyd controlled the tempo of the game and they always have an answer to the #1 Covenant whenever they come close with consecutive strikes that doused cold water on the spirited rally of their opponent. The x-factor on previous Covenant win which are their loud cheerleaders were silenced by Team Pilipinas. Rey Castillo was the hero and the biggest thorn for Covenant as he racked up strikes after strikes after strikes en route to 692 series on games of 257, 214 & 221 winning Ballantine's High Series of the Week award. Rey received bountiful support from Team Captain Dennis Araza aka John Lloyd who shoot 608 series, Mark Bumagat who threw down 578 series, Toto Agura who downed 577 pin falls and Janet Jose who end the scoring with 564 series. Team Pilipinas win allowed them to stay at #2 but more importantly they have cut down the lead of Covenant from 12 points to a measly 2 points on their 60 points.

Covenant was paced by Jojo Acebron with 631 series on games of 214, 217 & 200, Marissa Manalo with 626 series, Danton Abejero with 592 series, Marlon Martinez with 553 series and Hector Francia with 553 series. Covenant stayed at #1 with 62 points.

#5 Tweeners crushed #19 Harimanok Farm **10-0**. It was back to back win for Kathleen Raymundo who booked both Dante's Peak Bowler of the Week and Ballantine's High Series of the Week in Round 8 with 257 and 670 respectively. It was a repeat performance for Kathleen who scored 253 in the first game with 227 and 213 in the succeeding games for total of 693 series winning again both Dante's Peak Bowler of the Week award and Ballantine's High Series of the Week award. Kathleen received a lot of support from Team Captain Edris Sakkam who brightly delivered 636 series, The Black Superman, Xanthie "Doc" Fronda who flew high with his 613 scratch series, Jojo Mercado who twisted 579 series and Andy Ducado who closed the scoring with 526 series. Tweeners win allowed them to climb up to #3 with 56 series.

Harimanok Farm was paced by Andy Erena with 638, Tess Victoria with 613, Ricky Esteban with 540, Alvin Alfaro with 535 and Ging Aring with 511. Harimanok Farm stayed at #19 with 28 points.

#7 Ballantine's booked their second consecutive DCC Cargo Team of the Week award by trouncing #13 B&G **8-2**. History repeats for The Whisky Drinkers when they were mishandled by a rejuvenated B&G playing without their top bowler Herbert Capili as after losing game one on the spirited plays of Ford (268) and Robert (277), they have bounced back in games 2 & 3 with bonus points decimating their opponent. The Original Pasaway, Jay-R Yjares directed the plays for the whisky drinkers as he exploded for 680 series on games of 214, 205 & 261. Jay-R received plenty of support from the birthday girl, Marivic Africano Alfaro who was sizzling with her 632 series, Team Captain Mario Magdaluyo who danced his way with 617 series, Dindo Fernando who cornered 586 scratch series and the Boy Wonder, Robin Edralin (163) joined hands with RJ Calderon (409) for 572 series. The win pushed Ballantine's up at #6 with 52 points.

B&G was paced by Robert Vargas with 691 series highlighted by his 277 in the first game winning Dante's Peak Bowler of the Week award, Ford Deriquito with 680 series, Babes Lopez with 631 series, Dong Corpuz with 561 series and Melissa Obmina with 477 series. B&G stayed at #13 with 38 points.

#3 Dante's Peak defeated #10 IIEE **6-2**. The Silent Operator, Ricky Reyes was at his best with 671 scratch series with a lot of help from Tina Tabon who submitted 607 series, Liza Castro who surrendered 600 series, Jey Laurel who capitulated 599 series and Ramil Tesoro who yielded 588 scratch series. Dante's Peak moved to #4 with 55 points.

IIEE was paced by Arnel Arias with 645 series, Isagani Porcina with 640 series, Liza Lugto with 592 series, Ramil Aquino with 582 series and new bowler Joven with 534 series. IIEE managed to hold on to the #10 spot with 40 points.

#18 V for Victory scored an upset win against #4 FC Bowlers **8-0**. Team Captain Butch Vargas showed the true colors of his team as they exhibited no respect on their opponent. Butch led his team with 671 series on games of 207, 231 & 233. Butch received plenty of help from wifey Joan Vargas who concocted 616 series, matinee idol Alfie de Ubago who smacked 600 series, Rax Araneta who mixed 586 series and Noel Bejar who finished the scoring with 543 series. V for Victory moved to #15 with 36 points.

FC Bowlers was paced by Chris Calgao with 648, Marivel Planes with 628, Ronald Valdez with 573, Reb Esma with 549 and Noel Benavidez with 514. FC Bowlers loss pushed them down to #7 with 47 points.

#6 The Bowlers of Symmetry (TBS) blanked #14 Xclusive **8-0**. Trio King Ryan Layoso spearheaded TBS as he top scored with 634 series. Ryan got help from Rex "Triple XXX" Galang who shot 608 series, Hilda Pilipina was a close third with 607 series, the hard hitting Jonner Miranda who pummeled 576 series and Team Captain Elsie Marcial who closed the scoring with 516 series. Slowly but surely, The Bowlers of Symmetry (TBS) is climbing the ladder as they now entered the top 5 teams at #5 with 53 points.

Xclusive was paced by Mel Aviles (577), Team Captain Albert Leyesa (573), Boni Manalang (566), Jan Glen Leyesa (554) and Myra Aviles (545). Xclusive moved down to #18 with 32 points.

#11 Pocket Snipers toyed with #9 Team Barangay **8-0**. The team wanted to prove that they can win without their ace bowler Hashim Guinomla which they managed to do with Team Captain Ritchie Villarosa leading the charge with 620 series. Ritchie was complemented by Aiza Garcia who powered her way to 592 series, Doods Salazar who strut his way to 575 series, Billy Hernandez who contributed 543 series and muscleman Leo Lerma (184) joined hands with Dennis Gonzaga (381) for 565 series. Pocket Snipers win put them at #8 with 45 points.

Team Barangay was paced by Cherry Burayag with 649 series, Team Captain Ariel Serrano with 604 series, Rica Asuncion with 552 series, Philip Cabutihan with 505 scratch series and Chris Cueva (291) combined with Irene Serrano (140) for 431 series. Team Barangay was kicked out of The Elite Top 10 teams at #12 with 38 points.

#20 DCC Cargo overcome #17 Wild Wild X **6-3**. The small but baby Arnel Bermas led the attack for DCC Cargo with his 627 series. Arnel received aid from Elvin Sumague who consolidated 619 series, Filo Escabel who amalgamated 606 series, Merle Pilapil Cada who consummated 599 series and Danny Casio who ended with 488 series. DCC Cargo stayed at #20 with 26 points.

Wild Wild X was paced by Fred Realon with 608, Ramon Dayap with 596, Sharon Cosio with 560, Rodel Calderon with 537 and Obet Lucero (192) joined forces with Team Captain Sonny Cosio (392) for 584. Wild Wild X stayed at #17 with 347 points.

**Other Results**

#8 Approach-A-Bowls played a friendly game with #16 D’Lucky Strikers **4-4**. It was Albert Soriano who led Approach-A-Bowls with 625 series with help coming from Daisy Rivera who came in with 612 series and Marivic Parducho who came next with sardines like score of 555 series while it was Kim Co who was at the forefront of D’Lucky Strikers with 640 series on games of 230, 200 & 210 with assistance coming from Kelly Odiong with 569 series and Joel Umalsa who equaled the sardines like score of Mavic with his own 555 series. Approach-A-Bowls moved down to #9 with 43 points and D’Lucky Strikers stayed at #16 with 35 points.

#15 Louie’s Team surprised #12 Sherlock **6-2**. Maria Macatangay was the star for Louie’s Team top scoring for 606 series with help from Joseph Quintillan who delivered 597 series and Janice Castillo who carried 557 series while it was Rodel Billones who led Sherlock with 689 series on games of 238, 219 & 232 aided by Malou Fideles with 603 and Stephen Fideles with 555 series. Louie’s Team moved to #14 with 37 points just one point shy of Sherlock who climbed to #11 with 38 points.

Our Star Performers in Round 9.

Accumulator Award 6/Rounds		None	
DCC Cargo Team of the Week		Ballantine’s	3,106
Dante’s Peak Bowler of the Week – Male		Robert Vargas	277
Dante’s Peak Bowler of the Week – Female		Kathleen Raymundo	253
Ballantine’s High Series of the Week – Male		Rey Castillo	692
Ballantine’s High Series of the Week – Female		Kathleen Raymundo	693
WTA Winners		Game 1	Game 2
Male Open + Handicap	Danton Abejero – 236 (260)	Ricky Reyes – 258 (280)	Jay-R Yjares – 261 (280)
Female Open + Handicap	Kathleen Raymundo – 253 (100)	Marivic Alfaro – 237 (120)	Rax Araneta – 222 (120)

Can you please note that WTA is open to all bowlers; current handicap will be added to your scores for everyone to have a chance to win.

The TOP 10 TEAMS after Round 9.

1	Covenant	62	Points
2	Team Pilipinas	60	Points
3	Tweeners	56	Points
4	Dante’s Peak	55	Points
5	The Bowlers of Symmetry (TBS)	53	Points
6	Ballantine’s	52	Points
7	FC Bowlers	47	Points
8	Pocket Snipers	45	Points

9	Approach-A-Bowls	43	Points
10	IIEE	40	Points

Announcements:

**Congratulations to our Bowler of the Month Champions for the month of February 2017.**

Classification	Champion
Class O – Male	Jey Laurel (Dante's Peak)
Class A – Male	Doc Ronnie Fabian (Tweeners)
Class B – Male	Marlon Martinez (Covenant)
Class C – Male	Hector Francia (Covenant)
Female	
Open Class C	Salve Tesio (FC Bowlers) Rax Araneta (V for Victory)

We will have the March Bowler of the Month finals this coming Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017 right after our Round 10.

Our March BOM Finalists are below.

Classification	Top Qualifier	Challenger/s
Class O – Male	Kelly Odiong	Ramil Tesoro
Class A – Male	Arnel Arias	Jun Morales Mario Magdaluyo
Class B – Male	Andy Erena	Billy Hernandez Ritchie Villarosa
Class C – Male	Dennis Araza	Leo Lerma Robert Vargas
Female		
Open	Marissa Manalo	Hulda Pilipina Liza Castro
Class C	Maria Macatangay	Daisy Rivera Janet Jose

We will start with our April BOM qualifying this Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017. You can register with Covenant in Lane 5 for your entries. The deadline for your entries will be before the end of the 3<sup>rd</sup> frame of the first game. Our BOM entry fee is AED 30.00.

Our Trios result is **2-8-3**. This is the combination of **2** = Kim Co/Rax Araneta/Joel Umalsa (524), **8** = Tess Victoria/Janet Jose/Rica Asuncion (501) and **3** = Maria Macatangay/Elsie Marcial/Marissa Manalo (498). We have total of 9 winners who will share the prize pot of AED9,430.00.

The Club will continue to allow reserve bowlers to compete in the WTA and BOM by playing in Lanes 21 & 22. This will now give a chance to bowlers to participate and compete with the prestigious Bowler of the Month finals the winner of which will be declared Champion and will have the right to slug it out for a chance to win the coveted Bowler of the Year Trophy at the end of the year. The corresponding lane fee and WTA/BOM entry fee will need to be paid accordingly. The BOM entry fee will be AED30.00.

We will be having double headers in the coming weeks to allow us to finish by end of June. More details to follow.

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That is all for now. Let us enjoy our Fridays in DIBC. Just remember bowling is fun and therapeutic. Win or lose just keep on smiling and Laughter is the best medicine. Happy bowling to everybody!!! We will see you this coming Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 10:00am for our Round 10 to be followed by the March BOM Finals.

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