

Barrett throws \$3500 Strike to win **Spring Scratch Classic**

66 Players came to San Jose's 4th St. Bowl to win the \$3,500 - 1st place prize in Harvey Johnson & Tony Reyes' Spring Scratch Classic. The long, grueling tournament came down to this; can Kevin Barrett mark in the 10th frame to win the title & the \$3,500 that went with it?

Answer...the lefty threw it dead flush in the 1-2 and put 10 in the pit for a 231-215 win over P.J. Haggerty. Haggerty earned \$1,750 for his runner-up finish.

Kevin jumped out to an early lead by starting with 4 strikes in a row while P.J. was having trouble with the right lane as left buckets in frames 3 & 5. The lead was only single digits as Barrett failed to convert the 3-6-7 in the 7th frame. Both players struck in the 8th & 9th frames & Kevin had a 7 pin lead. P.J. was up first in the 10th frame. His first shot in the 10th sent everything over at the 7, but it wouldn't fall. A spare & strike on the fill gave Haggerty a 215 game and set up the before mentioned finish. Kevin's eight count and a spare made the final score 231.

The stepladder began with Dan Schmid eliminating George Gohagen III, 215-179. Dan had a 4-bagger in frames 5-8 to seal the win. Gohagen was the man in the semi-final round. He qualified in 19th place and shot games 238, 269, & 234 for a 741 set to jump 15 places and grab the final stepladder spot. George earned \$630 for his 4th place finish.

The stepladder's 2nd match saw Schmid bowling Haggerty. The ten frames settled nothing as they tied at 181. Dan started the 9th & 10th frame roll-off with a strike. Haggerty answered with his own and another strike. P.J. then left a 3-pin and converted for a score of 49. Dan needed two strikes to win. He threw the 1st one, but a 3-7-9 ended Dan's day. Finishing 3rd was worth \$770 for Dan.

Tournament notes: Barrett's 277 in the 3rd game was the high game of the event. He took the lead with that game and never gave it up...the first cut was 70 under, which was the high 1/3 of the field...Amber Bradbury won \$240 for the being the high female out of the cash....Marty Deh won a Hammer ball donated by Tony Reyes' Off the Sheet Pro Shop by being the high senior out of the cash.