

Dear bowlers,

This month was short and we had nothing eventful during these last 28 days, except the running of the leagues.

MAPFRE MSV Life Leagues

These are well under way, and soon season one will be over. 4 Play enjoy the top place in Div 3, followed by The Youths who have the same points but lesser pinfall, while Pin Pulse enjoy the 3rd place although they still have to forfeit their 8 points against the Bye team.

Div 2 leaders are Supersonic on 54 points, Bank of Valletta trail 10 points behind, while J Grima & Co are in 3rd, 8 points below 2nd.

Okmalta.com are the Division 1 leaders (46), followed by Turu's Knights (44) and Royal Shock (37).

Division 1 player's kindly note that there will be no play on Maundy Thursday which falls on 29th March.

Composite Average

Composite average for the 2nd month of the year is as follows:

Males: Mauro Anastasi (202.59), Justin Caruana Scicluna (190.57) and Mark Spiteri (190.16).

Females: Sue Abela (196.92), Tiziana Carannante (187.35) and Sara Xuereb (183.67).

Youths: Matthew Magro (187.80), Kurt Attard (177.60), and Miguel Xuereb (174.38) and for the boys and Sara Xuereb (183.67), Alessia Schembri (169.08) and Raquel Xuereb (164.22) for the girls.

Nuremberg YET

Two of our Youths, Matthew Magro and Juliana Bonanno went to participate in the Nuremberg YET in the Netherlands. Juliana Bonanno placed top 12th from 30 to proceed to the 1 step, and Matthew Magro placed 6th from 39 competitors to also pass through the next stage.



Playing 4 games, rolling a 645 Juliana ended in the 10th position, whilst Matthew bowled a good 787 to finish in 7th place, tied with 6th but had to endure a lesser position due to a lower last game. Still he was awarded a memento as he ended as the most consistent bowler.

Sport Malta Awards

The juiciest bit of news arrived on 17th February during the Sport Malta Awards. We had 4 nominees with the top 5 namely: Small Nations Cup Team, Sue Abela, Edward Xuereb and Sara Xuereb.

Our Team ended in the 4th position, while Sue Abela place 3rd in the Ladies division.



SPORTMALTA AWARDS IT-TEAM TAS-SENA		GURIJA 8/8	
IT-TEAM NAZZJONALI NISA 'A' (Basketball)	85	6	
SAN ĠILJAN ASC (Waterpolo)	85	6	
GIORDIMAINA RACING TEAM (Muturi Drag Racing)	51	10	
TEAM NAZZJONALI MIXED 'A' (Ten Pin Bowling)	42	3	
IT-TEAM NAZZJONALI NISA 'A' 4 x 100m (Atletika)	13	1	



SPORTMALTA AWARDS L-ISPORTIVA TAS-SENA		GURIJA 8/8	
YAZMIN ZAMMIT STEVENS (Weightlifting)	91	15	
CHARLOTTE WINOFIELD (Atletika)	83	6	
SUE ABELA (Ten Pin Bowling)	47	10	
RACHEL CUSCHIERI (Football)	30	3	
CHRISTINA GRIMA (Basketball)	29	1	

However the best news arrived when both Sara and Edward Xuereb ended as the eventual winners of the Young Sportmen Awards, Sara winning the Girls' category for the 3rd time and the 2nd consecutive year, whilst her brother Edward clinched the Boys' category in a very close race. The Xuereb's made history, as they were the first siblings to win both categories during the same year. Edward writes his name as the only male athlete in the MTBA history to win such an award.

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IŻ-ŽAGHŽUGH TAS-SENA

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ĠURIJA 8/8

	EDWARD XUEREB (Ten Pin Bowling)	70	15
	KIJAN SULTANA (Squash)	67	1
	JURGEN BALZAN (Table Football)	56	10
	JACOB SCIBERRAS (Waterpolo)	48	3
	THOMAS G WOODS JR. (Triathlon)	39	6



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ĠURIJA 8/8

	SARA XUEREB (Ten Pin Bowling)	93	10
	HELENE PELLICANO (Tennis)	75	15
	FRANCESCA CURMI (Tennis)	56	6
	FRANCESCA FALZON YOUNG (Għawm)	30	3
	SHELBY MANGION VASSALLO (Weightlifting)	26	1




AGM

This month we also held our AGM. No election was needed as there were only 8 nominations mainly: Mr. Alan Attard, Mr. Sammy Borg, Mr Daniel Magro, Mr. Jonathan Sciberras, Ms. Liliana Spiteri, Mr. Mark Spiteri, Mr. Giancarlo Tolu, and Mr. Josward Xuereb.

Upcoming Tournaments

Our first tournament during March will be the Masters Tournament with the preliminaries being played on 14th March. Top seeded 5-8 are Rankin Camilleri, Dennis Mercieca and Kenneth Arpa and since the 8th seeded cannot participate, there will be 9 making it from the qualifying round, rather than 8.

The top 4 seeded are: Justin Caruana Scicluna, Mauro Anastasi, Sue Abela and Mark Spiteri. Lane Pattern used will be the one to be used in Ankara for the Mediterranean Championships.

During March, 6 youths will be participating in the European Youth Championships which is going to be held in Denmark. The youths are Sara and Raquel Xuereb (girls), and Matthew Magro, Kurt Attard and Edward and Miguel Xuereb (boys). We wish them all good luck.

In the meantime continue to follow us on www.bowlingmalta.org and on Facebook.

I wish you all a good day!

Regards

Liliana Spiteri

Secretary General