

Good afternoon Bowlers



All 3 divisions started during July, with Division 2 starting two weeks later than usual, because of the world cup matches.

Standings Div 1 (after 4 weeks): [Turu's Knights](#) (30), [okmalta.com](#) (24), Supersonic and Strike Me Jabaal both (22).

Standings Div 2: (after 3 weeks) Supreme (19), Brutal Legendz (18) and Mean Machine (17). However 4Play and BOV still need to play week 3.

Standings Div 3 (after 4 weeks): The WMDs (22), Strike Force (18) and Vintage (17).

The Doubles Cisk Lager League is now during the 9th week. Standings as follows: Gillette Fusion 5 (52), Medsea Shipping Agency (48) and Bell Caffe (46).

During the doubles we had Sara Xuereb who broke the Youth high game record, and superseded her own personal best rolling a 296 game.

A photograph of a bowling score sheet. The sheet shows a player's performance across ten frames. The player's name is Sara Xu. The scores for each frame are: 30, 60, 90, 120, 150, 180, 210, 240, 270, 296. The total score is 296. The sheet also shows a strike in the 10th frame (XXX) and a spare in the 9th frame (X/). The average score is 25.13 and the difference is 175. The text 'Team Bell Caffe' and 'Diff. 175' is visible. At the bottom, it says 'Thank You For Bowling League Your Series Has Finished'.

3	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Tot.
8	17	28	1	X	X	X	9 /	X	XX	71	
Edward	9	18	27	57	86	106	126	156	183	201	201
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	XXX	6	
Sara Xu	30	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	296	296
											25.13
											Diff. 175
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Composite Average

Now that more than half the year is over, Mauro Anastasi leads the composite average (208.85), followed by Neil Sullivan (207.42) and Justin Caruana Scicluna (203.45). In the ladies' division Sue Abela leads with a 199.23, followed by Sara Xuereb (189.20) and Tiziana Carannante (185.82).

Top Youth bowlers (U19) are: Matthew Magro (190.35), Edward Xuereb (185.73) and Kurt Attard (177.78), and for the girls: Sara Xuereb (189.20), Alessia Schembri (181.5) and Raquel Xuereb (175.28).

SILVER CUP HANDICAP TOURNAMENT

Day 1 saw a record of 44 bowlers competing in the Silver Cup, 29 males and a very good number of females which was also another record of 15 ladies. 28 played in the morning squad, while 16 played in the afternoon squad.



The qualification round consisted of 6 games and the top 6 totals with handicap from each category would make it to the round robin stage to be held the next day.

The top 6 making it for the next round were Juliana Bonanno, Kathryn Fenech, Jessica Farrugia, Liliana Spiteri, Natasha Bianchi and Angele Azzopardi. While for the male category we had Kayden Lagana, Jonathan Sciberras, Dylan Santillo, Nicholas Muscat, Nicholas Falzon and Hubert Camilleri.



Round Robin

Liliana won 4 encounters and succeeded in clinching the top spot, followed by Juliana Bonanno who won 3 matches to finish in 2nd, whilst Natasha Bianchi won 4 matches to clinch the 3rd place. Kathryn Fenech missed out by 7 pins, and was followed by Angele Azzopardi and Jessica Farrugia.

Winning all matches, Dylan Santillo nipped the first place, followed by Nicholas Muscat who won 3 matches, while Kayden Lagana also won 4 matches to end in the 3rd place.



Step Ladder

Juliana faced Natasha to beat her 188-153. Kayden on the other hand beat Nicholas 138-184.

The winners then went on to face Liliana and Dylan. Juliana beat Liliana 185 – 148 to force another match. The 2nd game was much closer, but then Liliana had the Lily split in frame 9 and had to surrender to Juliana's double, with the latter winning the match 176-172.

Mirroring the ladies' category Kayden beat Dylan in game 1 (179-166) to go for game 2. Kayden was fuelled by passion and rolled a perfect 200 scratch game, which is now his official highest PB, and with the 30 pin handicap, literally trashed Dylan's 172 effort.

This was Juliana and Kayden's first Silver Cup title, with Kayden being the youngest so far to win such a title, beating Shadon Psaila who was also 10 when he won it 3 years ago, by a couple of months.



During July we also had Miguel Xuereb, who rolled a 300 game during Monday's practice sessions. Although this is not official, as it was rolled during practice, it is worth a mention as he is the first ever Youth to roll a perfect game at just 16 years of age.

A photograph of a bowling score screen. The screen shows a perfect game of 300 for Miguel Xuereb. The score is broken down by frame, showing 10 strikes in a row. The screen also displays the player's name, team, and a difference of 300.

6	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Tot.
	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	XXX	
miguel	30	60	90	120	150	180	210	240	270	300	300
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YOUTH TEAM EVENT – MARGATE – KENT UK

4 of our youths went to compete in the first ever team event competition in Margate Kent. Teams were composed of 4 athletes and divided in 4 categories from 1st through to 4th division according to averages.

Team Malta was composed of Shadon Psaila, Ayrton Ciangura, Reuben Scerri and Nicholas Muscat and they participated in Division 2 category. Each team had to play 2 blocks of 3 games each.

The competition was intense as our boys started their first 3 games on shaky grounds. After the break and on freshly oiled lanes, they improved to stand within 2 pins of the best bowled team, and 23 pins behind 2nd till 5th game. However their last game was a collective team effort and with a big game succeeded in climbing to top position 87 pins ahead of 2nd placed team.



JUNIOR LONDON INTERNATIONAL

9 of our Youths then went to play the London Junior Open. These were: Matthew Magro, Kurt Attard, Edward, Miguel, Sara and Raquel Xuereb, Juliana Bonanno and Chris and Kathryn Fenech.

After a couple of re-entries Matthew placed 15th to find a place automatically for the knock out stage. Sara, Kurt, and Edward made it through with their highest series, Miguel got a place with the best 4 game series, while young Chris Fenech nipped a place as he placed 2nd in Group C. Raquel was in the reserves, but managed a place also due to droppages.



The 1st step was 4 games, with Edward clinching the top spot with a 797 scratch series + 60 handicap. Sara, Kurt and Miguel all went through to the 2nd step. These were joined by Matthew who was awaiting his turn to play the knockouts.





Round 2 Kurt beat Sonny Rowland (452-376), Sara beat Vince van der Loo (369-358), Matthew trashed Halvar Hagen Nilsen (512-390), whilst Edward lost by a single pin to Kieran Akehurst, so had to play in the losers bracket.

Round 3 Kurt lost to Elias Ollson, Matthew lost to Kiran Akehurst and Sara lost to Frank Stephenson. Edward on the other hand won against Halvan Hagen Neilson with an impressive 495 series. Therefore all 4 continued to next round.

Round 4 Matthew lost by 4 pins to Ki Leighfield, while Edward lost to Sander Kastaas-Lindstad. Meanwhile Sara and Kurt passed on to another Round beating Brett Armer and Jonas Karlstad respectively.

Round 5 Down to the last 16 both Sara and Kurt forfeited their games against Eliaz Olsson and Caspar Macleod, with their adventure stopping there.

Still this was a very good show by the Maltese who once again succeeded in playing in Sunday's finals.

The Open was eventually won by Ottilia Gunnarson.

Now that August is here we look forward to the presentation dinner which will be held on 31st August. More details will follow soon.

I wish you all a good day.

Regards

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