



All divisions were on a break during August, except a couple of make ups played between the teams whose athletes will be participating in the World Senior Championships. All divisions will resume during September, Division 3 today the 2<sup>nd</sup> of September, Division 2 tomorrow on the 3<sup>rd</sup>, and division 1 on the 12<sup>th</sup>.

### **Doubles Cisk Lager League**

The doubles Cisk Lager league is during its 12<sup>th</sup> week, with MedSea Shipping Agency leading on 70 points, followed by Gillette (69), The Ronin's (60), and Ballbarians tied with Lucky Strike (56).

### **Composite Average**

After 8 months of play we have a shift in the men's category as Justin leapfrogged Mauro by a few decimal points. In fact, Justin Caruana Scicluna is leading on 213.86, whilst Mauro Anastasi is on 213.53. Kenneth Arpa is in 3<sup>rd</sup> on 208.14. In the female category Sue Abela continue to lead with a 208.57, followed by Cynthia Duca (202.43) and Sara Xuereb (198.87).

Top Youth bowlers (U19) are: Matthew Magro (201.18), Miguel Xuereb (195.24) and Nicholas Muscat (193.98). For the girls we have Sara Xuereb (198.87), Raquel Xuereb (164.15) and Ruslana Grima (145.16).

Averages this year seems to have shot up as we have 11 male bowlers over 200 average, one of them being a youth, namely Matthew Magro. We also have 2 ladies who are above the 200 average, Sue and Cynthia.

### **Dutch Senior Open**

Paul Gray competed in another Open of ISBT tournament, the Dutch Senior Open where a total of 123 men participated. Paul's 1418 placed him in 24<sup>th</sup> place, to qualify with the top 36 and proceed to the next round.

During the quarter finals, Gray rolled an 829 + 9 age handicap for a total of 865. Unfortunately, he placed 20<sup>th</sup>, just 4 places short of making it with the top 16 to advance to the next round.



## WORLD SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our Senior Team which is composed of Mark Spiteri, Kenneth Arpa, Dennis Mercieca and Steve Cassar left for Las Vegas this weekend. We wish them good luck, and we will have news in the September newsletter.



Our next upcoming tournament will be the Bank of Valletta National Senior Championships which will be held from 28-30<sup>th</sup> September. This year we have increased the number of games from 12 to 18, as the top 4 male scratch averages will earn them a right to represent Malta in the first European Senior Championships which will be held in Vienna during January next year.

The Malta Senior Open will follow from 2-6 October 2019.

I wish you all a good day

Liliana