

**MBA NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2022**

**NATIONAL LEAGUE – MALTA BOWLING ASSOCIATION**

**DIV I** is finally over

**End Result as follows:**

Okmalta.com (116), Tm Brunswick (100), POWERFRUIT (96)



**High bowlers during the month:**

Week 17: Nicholas Muscat(695) and Sue Abela (579)

Week 18: Mark Spiteri (701) and Sue Abela (617)

**End of Season Individual Games**

**High Average bowlers:** Nicholas Muscat (211.52) and Sue Abela (193.43)

**Scratch Game:** Kenneth Arpa (298) and Cynthia Frendo Duca (257)

**Hdcp Game:** Nicholas Muscat (278) and Tiziana Carannante (246)

**Scratch Series:** Nicholas Muscat (718) and Cynthia Frendo Duca (686)

**Hdcp Series:** Danial Swift (715) and Tiziana Carannante (665)

## **Div 2 – Summer League 2022**

### **Results for week 4**

Up Your Average (26), Vintage (26), Malta Airport (24)

### **High bowlers for week 1**

Week 2: Ian Howard (541) and Rachel Chircop (501)

Week 3: Travis Barbara (610) and Mia Bugeja (545)

Week 4: Benny Hilli (573) and Michaela Briffa (507)

## **DOUBLES CISK LAGER LEAGUE**

### **Results up till week 9**

Class of 99 (54), Powerfruit (52) and Generation XYZ (40)

### **High Bowlers of the Week:**

Week 5: Kayden Lagana' (780) and Melissa Swift (683)

Week 6: Kayden Lagana' (718) and Alja Bergauer (568)

Week 7: Kayden Lagana' (794) and Sue Abela (657)

Week 8: Rankin Camilleri (732) and Cynthia Frendo Duca (646)

Week 9: Dennis Mercieca (723) and Tiziana Carannante (592)

## **COMPOSITE AVERAGE** as at end August 2022

### **The Top 3 bowlers in each category are:**

**Males:** Matthew Magro (212.84), Kayden Lagana' (207.98), Nicholas Muscat (205.69)

**Females:** Sue Abela (195.72), Cynthia Frendo Duca (193.44), Melissa Swift (190.57)

### **Top U21 Youths**

**Males:** Kayden Lagana' (207.98), Nicholas Muscat (205.69) and Dwayne Zahra (194.02)

**Females:** Ruslana Grima (172.42), Mia Bugeja (164.25) and Kathryn Fenech (155.10)

### **Top Senior Bowlers 50+ years**

**Males:** Mark Spiteri (198.60), Kenneth Arpa (197.41) and Dennis Mercieca (191.47)

**Females:** Sue Abela (195.72), Liliana Spiteri (162.48) and Marthese Cossai (155.78)

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## AVERAGES AS PER CRITERIA FOR EMC AND EWC 2023

	EWC	TOTAL		
1	Sue Abela	21991	114	<b>192.90</b>
2	Cynthia Duca	20677	108	<b>191.45</b>
3	Tiziana Carannante	13408	72	<b>186.22</b>
4	Alja Bergauer	2215	12	<b>184.58</b>
5	Melissa Swift	19819	108	<b>183.51</b>
6	Amanda Cini	3697	21	<b>176.05</b>
7	Ruslana Grima	3009	18	<b>167.17</b>
8	Liliana Spiteri	8807	54	<b>163.09</b>
9	Mia Bugeja	14513	90	<b>161.26</b>
10	Michaela Briffa	5752	36	<b>159.78</b>

	EMC			
1	Kayden Lagana'	24379	120	<b>203.16</b>
2	Nicholas Muscat	21879	108	<b>202.58</b>
3	Mauro Anastasi	22274	111	<b>200.67</b>
4	Mark Spiteri	23255	117	<b>198.76</b>
5	Kenneth Arpa	20083	102	<b>196.89</b>
6	Rankin Camilleri	20671	105	<b>196.87</b>
7	Matthew Magro	8031	41	<b>195.88</b>
8	Philip Gruppetta	21509	111	<b>193.77</b>
9	Miguel Xuereb	20174	105	<b>192.13</b>
10	Dennis Mercieca	20113	105	<b>191.55</b>

## HIGH SCORES TO BE LISTED IN MBA RECORDS



Kayden Lagana' broke the Youth U19 record when during the Doubles' League he rolled a brilliant 780 series (226-275-279).

Just a week later he broke the record again this time rolling an amazing 794 series (289-278-227). This series is not only the highest under 19, 3-game series, but the 7<sup>th</sup> highest all-time series.

Another PB was rolled during the Invitational Games Qualifying when during Day 2 he rolled a 1405 – 6 game series (215, 222, 233, 258, 242, 235). This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> highest for the U19 and also the 17<sup>th</sup> highest from the adults.

Matthew Magro rolled a PB 6 game series during the Invitational Games Qualifying. His 1363 is listed in 24<sup>th</sup> place in the adults' section.

Games rolled were: 214, 279, 238, 227, 204, 201



## SILVER CUP TOURNAMENT

This competition is open to Male bowlers who do not exceed the 170 average, whereas the ladies cannot exceed the 165 average.

Players had to play 6 games on day 1, with the top 8 moving on to the Round Robin Stage. The ladies who went through were Mia Bugeja, Natasha Bianchi, Marthese Cossai, Donna Vella, Jessica Farrugia, Karlise Bartolo, Kathryn Fenech and Jade Barbara.

Leading the males' section was Travis Barbara, followed by Kieran Pace, Tomas Caruso, Melvin Galea, Mikhail Mallia, Arthur Rizzo, Peter Lyndley and Hubert Camilleri.

The Round Robin was played on Sunday. In the female section, youth player Mia retained the lead playing a good 185 average and winning 6 of the 7 encounters for a 2003 point finish. SO player, Natasha Bianchi retained 2<sup>nd</sup> place winning 5 encounters, whilst another youth player, Kathryn Fenech made a huge leap from 7<sup>th</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> by winning 5 encounters and rolling a 166 scratch average.



In the males' section Peter Lyndley crept slowly but surely from 7<sup>th</sup> place to take the lead rolling a 167 scratch average and winning 6 games. NSS student Tomas Caruso nipped the 2<sup>nd</sup> spot also winning 6 matches and rolling a good 178 scratch average, whilst youth player Travis Barbara finished in 3<sup>rd</sup> place winning 4 games.



Both Peter and Mia won this title for the first time, with Mia having won the Spring Tournament earlier this year.

## INVITATIONAL GAMES FOR SMALL NATION COUNTRIES QUALIFYING EVENT

The event ran on two days with 6 games played on each day. On day 1 it was Mauro Anastasi and Miguel Xuereb who were leading the males' section, whilst Sue Abela and Cynthia Frendo Duca topped the ladies' standings.

On Day 2 no change was registered in the female category with Sue easily winning the ladies with a 2499 total, and Cynthia retaining the 2<sup>nd</sup> spot with a 2360.

On the other hand, there was a massive change in the male category and till the 5<sup>th</sup> game we had 6 contenders who could grasp the 2 top spots. However, it was Dennis Mercieca who shot from 7<sup>th</sup> place to the lead position rolling a 1387 for a 2622 total, whilst Kayden Lagana' rolled a PB 6-game series of 1405 to not only find a place in the youth and adult records, but also leapfrogging from 8<sup>th</sup> to 2<sup>nd</sup> with a 2609 finish.

The top 2 athletes of each category will be representing Malta during the Invitational Games which are being organized by MOC at the Eden Superbowl, from 5-9 October. We urge spectators to come and support Team Malta during the games.



## CLASH OF THE TITANS – EVENT 6

Winners were Matthew Magro and Cynthia Frendo Duca, whilst Nicolai Mallia and Sue Abela nipped the 2<sup>nd</sup> place.



Pos	Bowler Name	6th Event No. Events: 5	Event 6 - 21st August 2022				Total
			Pts	High Series	High Game	300gm	
1	Sue Abela	107	18		2		127
2	Cynthia Frendo Duca	60	25	2			87
3	Kathryn Fenech	63	6				69
4	Melissa Swift	49	15				64
5	Tiziana Carannante	47	8				55
6	Marthese Cossai	47					47
7	Liliana Spiteri	23	12				35
8	Josephine Borg	16	10				26
9	Ruslana Grima	24					24
10	Amanda Cini	22					22
11	Alja Bergauer	10					10
12	Celianne Micallef	8					8
13	Karlise Bartolo	0	4				4
14	Rachel Chircop	0	2				2
15	Donna Vella	0	1				1

1	Nicholas Muscat	103	10		2		115
2	Mark Spiteri	52	2				54
3	Neil Sullivan	42	12				54
4	Matthew Magro	20	25	2			47
5	Daniel Swift	32	6				38
6	David Fenech	34					34
7	Nicolai Mallia	13	18				31
8	Dwayne Zahra	29					29
9	Mauro Anastasi	28					28
10	Tomas Caruso	28					28
11	Daniel Grech	27					27
12	Kayden Lagana	11	15				26
13	Kenneth Arpa	25					25
14	Dennis Mercieca	21					21
15	Julian Baldacchino	18					18
16	Chris Fenech	18					18
17	Philip Grupetta	9	1				10
18	Luke Burke	6	4				10
19	Rankin Camilleri	8					8
20	Paul Gray	0	8				8
21	Daniel Ricciari	1					1
22	Benny Hilli	0					0
23	Matthew Muscat	0					0
24	Miguel Xuereb	0					0
25	Steve Cassar	0					0
26	Peter Lyndley	0					0

Our next upcoming tournament is the Bronze Cup which will be played on 17-18 September. Bowlers' maximum average must not exceed 160 for males and 155 for females. Closing date is Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

Date of Presentation has been changed to 14<sup>th</sup> October. Venue to be announced later

## EUROPEAN YOUTH CHAMPIONSHIPS

On 1<sup>st</sup> September, a Maltese contingent consisting of 8 athletes, 2 coaches, and 20 relatives travelled to Whittelseim France for the European Youth Championships. The teams are composed as follows:

Males: Nicholas Muscat, Dwayne Zahra, Kayden Lagana' and Nicolai Mallia.

Ladies: Ruslana Grima, Kathryn Fenech, Mia Bugeja and Karlise Bartolo

Coaches: Mark Spiteri and Richard Vogelesang



We will update you on the scores and progress.

That's all for now! Wish you all a nice day.

**Liliana Spiteri -Secretary General**

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