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BOV Bowling - Kampjonati Nazzjonali taż-Żgħażaġh *Sara Xuereb u Kayden Lagana' Champions ta taħt it-23 sena*

Sara Xuereb, li niżlet Malta mill-Istati Uniti fejn bħalissa qed tistudja, rebħet il-kampjonat ta' taħt it-23 femminili għad 9 darba konsekuttiva, li huwa rekord fejn għelbet lil Ruslana Grima u l-istudenta tal-NSS Karlise Bartolo, li kient għada kif irnexxielha tegħleb lil Kathryn Fenech b'2 pins (2872 vs 2870) fuq it-18-il logħba. Is-sezzjoni tas-subien rat 5 mit-13-il plejer jiġġieldu għall-kampjonat, iżda l-istudent tal-NSS Lagana', li kien għadu kif rebaħ il-kategorija ta' taħt is-16-il ġurnata ta' qabel, kien fi klassi tiegħu fl-aħħar ġurnata, hekk kif spiċċa b'medja ta' 210, kwazi 180 pin quddiem Dwayne Zahra. Zahra kiseb it-2 post 8 pins biss qabel Miguel Xuereb.

Lagana' iddomina il-kategorija ta' taħt is-16-il sena qabel Nicolai Mallia ta' 12-il sena, b'Chris Fenech jiġi fit-tielet post. Fenech, li matul il-weekend lagħab l-ogħla logħba tal-kategoriji kollha b'278 brillanti, wegġa' fit-tieni ġurnata u sfortunatament kellu jirtira mill-aħħar ġurnata tat-taqsimu ta' taħt it-23 ta' dawn il-kampjonati.

Il-Kompetizzjon ta' taħt is-16-il sena kienet kompetizzjoni kienet ikkontestata bejn iż-żewġ membri tat-team Bonnici Group, Karlise Bartolo u Kathryn Fenech. Fenech fargħet rebbieħa b'1920 kontra l-1900 ta' Bartolo. Mia Bugeja spiċċat fit-3 post, 150 pin aktar lura.

Il-kategorija ta' taħt it-12-il sena kienet avveniment kongunt tal-bniet u tas-subien, b'Nicolai Mallia jirbaħ b'1455 fuq 8 logħbiet, ferm qabel ħuh iż-żgħir Mikhail Mallia (1046). L-istudenta tal-NSS Jade Barbara spiċċat fit-3 post.

Ernest Agius, Chief Officer tal-Bank of Valletta, akkumpanjat mill-President tal-MTBA Paul Baldacchino ippreżenta t-trofej lir-rebbieħa.

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BOV Bowling - National Youth Championships

Sara Xuereb and Kayden Lagana' are crowned under 23 Champions

Sara Xuereb, who flew down from the US where she is currently studying, won the under 23 female championships for a record 9 times in a row, well ahead of Ruslana Grima and NSS student Karlise Bartolo, who just managed to beat Kathryn Fenech by 2 pins (2872 vs 2870) over the 18 games. The boys section saw 5 of the 13 players battling it out, but NSS student Lagana', who had just won the under 16 category the previous day, was in a class of his own on the last day, as he finished with a 210 average, almost 180 pins ahead of Dwayne Zahra. Zahra clinched 2nd place just 8 pins ahead of Miguel Xuereb.

Lagana' also dominated the under 16 category ahead of 12 year old Nicolai Mallia, with Chris Fenech coming 3rd. Fenech, who played the highest game of all categories throughout the weekend with a brilliant 278, was injured on the second day and unfortunately had to withdraw from the last day of the under 23 section of these championships

The ladies under 16 was a hotly contested competition between the 2 Bonnici Group team-mates, Karlise Bartolo and Kathryn Fenech. Fenech emerged the winner on 1920 against 1900 of Bartolo. Mia Bugeja finished in 3rd place, a further 150 pins behind.

The Under-12 category was a joint girls and boys event, with Nicolai Mallia running away with it with a 1455 over 8 games, well ahead of his younger brother Mikhail Mallia (1046). NSS student Jade Barbara finished in 3rd place.

Ernest Agius, Chief Officer at Bank of Valletta, accompanied by MTBA President Paul Baldacchino presented the trophies to the winners.

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