

MBA NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY 2022

During this month we held the AGM and the below are the newly elected Committee Members:

Edward Mifsud – President, Ian Vella – Vice President, Liliana Spiteri – Secretary General, Giancarlo Tolu – Treasurer, Kyle Patrick Camilleri - PRO

Committee Members – Hubert Camilleri, David Fenech, Mark Spiteri, Melchior Vassallo



Before we continue with news and results, kindly be reminded that the Eden Superbowl will be closed for some alteration works from 28th February to 20th March 2022. Therefore, there will be no training sessions or leagues / competitions during this period. The MASTERS will thus be postponed. I will advise you closer to the date when we can resume with our activities.

NATIONAL LEAGUE – MALTA BOWLING ASSOCIATION

DIV I

Results up to week 4

Okmalta.com (30), POWERFRUIT (24), Turu's Knights (24)

High bowlers during the month:

Week 2: Mauro Anastasi (669) and Cynthia Frendo Duca (631)

Week 3: Nicholas Muscat (695) and Melissa Swift (575)

Week 4: Nicholas Muscat (664) and Cynthia Frendo Duca (633)

DIV II

Results up to week 5

Tenpin Breakers (28), Up Your Average (24), Vintage (22)

High bowlers during this month:

Week 2: Benny Hili and Aaron Belli (532), and Liliana Spiteri (495)

Week 3: Benny Hili (487) and Mary Galea (496)

Week 4: Benny Hili (555) and Marthese Cossai (509)

Week 5: Simon Mizzi (481) and Liliana Spiteri (568)



10th CISK LAGER DOUBLES LEAGUE - 2021

The Cisk Lager Doubles League is finally over after 27 weeks of play.

- Winners POWERFRUIT: (Neil Sullivan, Philip Gruppetta, Paul Gray and Sara Xuereb as reserve)
- Runners Up: Gilette (Mauro Anastasi, Dennis Mercieca, Kenneth Arpa)
- 3rd place: Generation XYZ (Mark Spiteri, Cynthia Frendo Duca, Nicholas Muscat)
- 4th place: Team Brunswick (Sue Abela, Kayden Lagana' and Matthew Magro as reserve)



High bowlers during this month were:

Week 24: Mauro Anastasi (693) and Cynthia Frendo Duca (689)

Week 25: Shaun Montanaro (706) and Amanda Cini (612)

Week 26: Kayden Lagana' (718) and Amanda Cini (619)

Week 27: Philip Gruppetta (683) and Melissa Swift (604)

High bowlers of the league having played over 34% of the games: Dennis Mercieca (220) and Sue Abela (204)

COMPOSITE AVERAGE as at end February 2022

Top 3 bowlers in each of our 3 categories are:

Males: Mauro Anastasi (204.34), Nicholas Muscat (202.89) and Kayden Lagana' (199.66)

Females: Cynthia Frendo Duca (194.49), Sue Abela (192.36), and Melissa Swift (190.98)

Top U21 Youths

Males: Nicholas Muscat (202.89), Kayden Lagana' (199.66), and Miguel Xuereb (194.29)

Females: Ruslana Grima (177.48), Mia Bugeja (161.07) and Kathryn Fenech (156.40)

Top Senior Bowlers 50+ years

Males: Kenneth Arpa (197.88), Mark Spiteri (196.35) and Dennis Mercieca (194.20)

Females: Sue Abela (192.36), Liliana Spiteri (158.54) and Marthese Cossai (153.90)

HIGH SCORES TO BE LISTED IN MBA RECORDS



Kayden Lagana' bowled his first perfect 300 game during the Cisk Doubles League, and inscribed himself in the records as the youngest Maltese bowler to roll a perfect game. Well done Kayden.

Nicholas Muscat rolled a New 6 game PB during The Doubles Cisk Lager League. His 755 included games of 276-255-224. This is the 2nd highest youth record, just 1 pin short of the national records. Well done Nick.



2nd CONTINENTAL CARS CLASH OF THE TITANS – Organised by Eden Superbowl

Event 1

Winners: Sue Abela (1061) and Nicholas Muscat (1077)

Runners Up: Melissa Swift and Danial Swift



Results so Far

1	Nicholas Muscat	27	1	Sue Abela	29
2	Danial Swift	18	2	Melissa Swift	18
3	Mark Spiteri	15	3	Marthese Cossai	15
4	Daniel Grech	12	4	Kathryn Fenech	12
5	Neil Sullivan	10	5	Cynthia Frendo Duca	10
6	Rankin Camilleri	8	6	Liliana Spiteri	8
7	Mauro Anastasi	6			
8	Kenneth Arpa	6			
9	Kayden Lagana	2			
10	Philip Gruppetta	1			

TGS MALTA FAIR PLAY AWARD OCT-DEC 2021

The Malta Fair Play Movement announced the fourth TGS Malta Fair Play Award in conjunction with the Malta Sports Journalists Association and sponsored by Together Gaming Solutions (Bethard Group Ltd.).

Sue Abela Malta's leading and European Champion in Tenpin Bowling was unanimously approved for this fourth award covering the October-December 2021 period.



XXIV MEDITERRANEAN CHAMPIONSHIPS - QUALIFYING

This year we had 5 ladies, and 17 males competing for this qualifying tournament with the hope of representing Malta during the Mediterranean Championships which will be held in May.

Kenneth Arpa led on day 1 followed by Nicholas Muscat. They were the only two players to roll a 200+ total. The ladies' category was led by Sue Abela, followed by Melissa Swift.

Mauro Anastasi excelled on Day 2, rolling a superb 1709 on the tough pattern conditions, to shoot to 1st place, followed by his teammate Rankin Camilleri who trailed behind by 143 pins. In the ladies' section it was Melissa Swift who swapped places with Sue to lead this category.

Day 3 started on a bad turn for Mauro as splits haunted his first game. However, he soon made up for it in game 2 as he shot a 275 game which was the highest game of the tournament. Mauro retained the lead by an impressive 189 pins. The tussle was for the 2nd spot, with Rankin being chased by a couple of other players. However, he kept his calm and succeeded in nipping the 2nd spot with a 4685 total. Mark Spiteri bagged the 3rd place, having shot up from 7th place.

Unlike previous, editions, the female category proved to be a nail-biting experience. Both Cynthia and Melissa drew on 4312 total before the last game. In the end it was Cynthia who rolled a 190 game to nip the 1st place, with Melissa just 17 pins behind. Sue Abela clinched the 3rd spot.



Team Malta for the 24th Edition which will be held in Athens from 1-8 May will be composed of Mauro Anastasi who will be representing Malta for the 4th time, Rankin Camilleri (3rd), and Cynthia Frendo Duca and Melissa Swift both for their 2nd time.

Once Eden reopens, we intend to continue with our league, and at the moment we are working on setting our calendar. Hopefully I can give you some news soon.

Best Regards

Liliana Spiteri
Secretary General
Malta Bowling Association