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ZURGENA SUCCESS IN FAB MEN'S SINGLES



What a great FAB Men's Singles competition it was at Indalo BC and what a tremendous showing by our boys. An all Zurgena final was guaranteed when Paul Day beat Dave Nelson convincingly 22-12 and Shootsie defeated John Fitzgerald 21-16. It was a certainty that when the Zurgena men stepped onto the green for the final, the trophy was to be retained by Zurgena BC after Tony Mason won it in 2023. The Ladies Pairs final was taking place at the same time and a good crowd saw some excellent bowling on both rinks. Paul and Shootsie battled it out in a nip and tuck contest with the score 7-7 after 10 ends but despite a great display by Paul, Shootsie pulled away winning the match 21-9. Paul played well all week and had an excellent tournament. Shootsie now holds three men's singles titles, the FAB, Andalucian and the National. Thank you to all the volunteers for making it a great competition and congratulations to both players for keeping Zurgena BC at the top 🏆🏆🏆

MESSAGE FROM THE FINALISTS I'm so pleased we put on a show today. Paul and I would like to dedicate this match to our friend and fellow bowls colleague Tony Mason. He was a true gentleman and fantastic bowler who had just this year got his first cap for his adopted country Spain while playing in Scotland. He will be sorely missed.

Zurgena ladies, Susie Darby and Sharon Slater put in a tremendous effort against a strong ALBC pairing in the FAB Ladies Pairs quarter finals losing out narrowly 13 - 11. You had a great tournament Susie and Sharon and did yourselves and Zurgena BC proud.

FAB COMPETITIONS GALLERY



TONY MASON

24.03.1961 - 23.11.2024



FAB WINTER LEAGUE UPDATE

Week 9 Winter League fixtures saw Zurgena Spitfires hosting the Zurgena Hurricanes. It was great to see Julie Mason at the club and a very moving one minute's silence was held, all players in a circle on the green, in respect and remembrance of our friend Tony Mason. A round of applause followed and then the battle commenced.

It was very close in all but one rink going into the last 4 ends, but the Spitfires edged ahead and won all 4 rinks, taking a maximum 10 points. We all raised a glass afterwards to Tony and so ended a rather sad but very moving day at Zurgena BC. The rearranged week 7 match, Mosquitoes v Hurricanes, the day before, again started with a minute's silence and the teams shared the rinks points but the Mosquitoes took the extra 2 points with an 11-shot advantage. There are no league matches now, due to the Andalucian Championships until 11th December. League table below.

	P	W	D	L	SF	SA	Diff	Rink Pts	Pts
Indalo Musketeers	8	5	0	3	620	528	92	46	56
Almeria Gunners	7	6	0	1	555	425	130	36	48
Indalo Vikings	8	5	0	3	594	495	99	38	48
Cabrera Turre	8	6	0	2	570	524	46	34	46
Zurgena Spitfires	7	5	0	2	511	429	82	32	42
Almeria Wanderers	7	3	0	4	466	478	-12	28	34
Zurgena Mosquitoes	8	4	0	4	447	591	-144	26	34
Indalo Eagles	7	3	0	4	536	453	83	24	30
Mojacar Sirocco	7	2	0	5	469	492	-23	26	30
Mojacar Levante	7	2	0	5	405	552	-147	24	28
Zurgena Hurricanes	8	0	0	8	483	689	-206	14	14

GREEN UPDATE

Finally, after further negotiations, Greenguage have given us a quote for their original recommendation to level the sides of the green with compacted marble dust. Their quote is a total of £3200 to level both sides of the green and we will provide the materials and machinery, i.e. the marble dust, a cement mixer and wacker plate. A few members can loan cement mixers and wheelbarrows and the wacker plate hire is 35€ a day from Prestige Hire. The marble dust has been sourced locally at 50€ a ton, not including delivery, and we require 7 tons.

The committee feel that this is the best and cheapest option as we are using a professional U.K. green fitter to do all of the work, and they are very experienced. They plan to be here on 9th December and the job will take approximately 10 days. Obviously, the green will be closed at this time.

All committee members have done their bit but special thanks are due to Roy Keningale and Richard Brimble who have done an excellent job preparing the sides of the green with steel lengths and to Maureen Hanratty whose energy and organisational skills in sourcing the materials and liaising with the Town Hall has been invaluable.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

December 3rd to 10th
December 9th
December 13th
December 27th

Andalucian Championships at Indalo
Work starts on new green for approximately 10 days
Team Almeria V All Clubs Challenge Match at Indalo, 10.00H
Club Captain versus President Challenge Match