

Summer Championships (@ Mijas LBC from 2nd to 11th Sept 2019)

Mijas were proud hosts of the 2019 Summer Championships and the competition was extended by two days due to the volume of entries received across the five disciplines. Mijas had one of the highest number of entries to Championship with all of our members representing the club well in both victory and defeat and our newer bowlers should be extremely proud of their efforts. Similarly our members support operating the bar, competition admin and especially Pauline Ward and Linda Turner for the excellent work in the kitchen. deVere Financial Services are the Mijas LBC sponsors for this season and were in attendance to offer their services to the competitors and spectators through out the Championships.



Mixed Fours

The final was contested by a Mijas team of Jeff Turner, Pat Baker, Geoff Edginton and Juan Abeal, but they were out performed by a Lauro Team of Ron Jones, Julian Thomas, Tony Barnes and Jane Richardson.



The Lauro team had defeated another Mijas team of John/Sheila Wilson, Bill Neal and Steve Ward who only managed to pick up two of the required five points with the last bowl of the semi final.

Mixed Triples

Mijas out performed all other clubs in this competition and managed to secure all four of the semi final spots, beating many of the more fancied and established teams and fellow Mijas teams in the early stages of the competition.

Jeff Turner, Pat Baker and Geoff Edginton played John and Sheila Wilson supported by Steve Ward in the morning Semi Finals with the later winning through with four ends to spare. In the second semi final Robert and Carol Wright and Lorraine Penning Hamami defeated Juan Abeal, Manolo Suarez and Bill Neal in a last end decider.



In the Final John, Sheila Wilson and Steve Ward were conceded the game on completion of the sixteenth end when they increased their advantage to 22-11. The game had started very promisingly for Robert and his team, leading 7-1 after the fifth end.

Open Pairs

Despite having a healthy number of teams competing and some memorable performances by the Mijas teams, only Brian and Brenda Collier managed to reach the quarter final stage where they lost out to Angie Holt and Phil Baldry after being all square at 16-16 after 16 ends. Before losing a six in the penultimate end.

The final was won by Kevin Westwell/Paul Hughes (Lauro) who ran out winners over Angie Holt/Phil Baldry (Santa Maria) in a closely fought contest with the advantage changing in most ends.



Ladies Singles

Mijas only had two entries in the Ladies singles and with Pat Baker going out to Hazel Gutteridge (Lauro) at the quarter final stage in a close contest, it was left to Sheila Wilson to represent the club in the later stages. After beating Angie Holt in an exciting and high quality match to reach the semi final she could not raise her game to overcome an on form Maria Foletti (Benavista) in her second game of the day.

The Final between Hazel Gutteridge and Maria Foletti seen Hazel establish a good lead and then Maria stormed back with a very strong second half performance. With the players neck and neck and each having a chance to win the game in what was the final end. Maria managed to trail the jack away from Hazel game lie and then lay game shot herself. Hazels final bowl fell inches short of taking the game into another end and Maria ran out a 21-19 victor and a deserved Ladies Champion.



Mens Singles

With another healthy Mijas entry we had some memorable performances through out the competition and of note was a match where Joe Stamper defeated Clive Nuttall by a score of 21-17 and this was the hardest match Joe Stamper was involved in before he withdrew through injury.

Denis Hanley and Jeff Turner both lost in the quarter final stages and Juan Abeal pulled out at the same stage due to a back injury.

After receiving the walkover against Juan, Bill Neal was eliminated by Joe Stamper at the Semi final stage and despite playing well, he could not match the consistent Stamper.

With Joe Stamper pulling out with a hamstring injury the winner of the second semi final contested by Kevin Westwell (Lauro) and Tom Rogers (Santa Maria) would also produce the competition winner. Tom ran out 21-4 winner when Kevin was unable to find the form he had shown in beating Jeff Turner.

