## Almeria Bowling Club

## **2018 ALBC Drawn Triples**

During very windy but warm weather the **ALBC Drawn Triples** commenced with the Preliminary round in the afternoon of 8<sup>th</sup> and quarter finals on Friday afternoon of 9<sup>th</sup> with the semis on Saturday afternoon 10<sup>th</sup> finishing off with the Final on Sunday morning of 11<sup>th</sup> March. There were moderate entries with thirty-six members making twelve teams taking part. This year using the combined handicaps in drawn competitions of team members proved a very good leveller.

The **winners** were the strong team of Sylvia Pritchard. Tony Lear and Joyce Sheard against another equally good triple, Bryan Thompson, John Ohara and Colin Wright

To reach the final, Sylvia's team beat Mike Duffield, Joan Parsons and Jette Kress. In the other semi, Bryan's team were successful over John Fitzgerald, Graham Patrick and Pat Deacon.

The **Final** was as expected a classic of exciting and quality bowling. Bryan's team had to give Sylvia and team seven handicap shots. No one would bet on who would win. Fortunately, although it was windy it was nothing like the previous days. Nip and tuck for the first eight ends with Bryan's team ahead by two shots 14-12. Sylvia and team put more pressure on the game going ahead by four shots on the twelfth end 19-15. Bryan and team scored seven shots on the next two ends for them to regain the lead at 22-19. The game appeared to be very balanced and the support were now sitting on the edge of their chairs thinking this could mean that Bryan's team were on their way. However, Sylvia 's team drummed up another level of quality bowls scoring eight shots on the last four ends winning the Drawn Triples Championship.

John Fitzgerald, our Vice-Captain, thanked the players who had taken part in this competition together with all the spectators who had come to watch and Tony Lear for running the competition, Bryan Hughes for keeping the green maintained throughout the competition. He then presented the trophy to the winners. This report and photographs will be found on our website, <a href="https://www.bowlingalmeria.com">www.bowlingalmeria.com</a> and local press if space is available.

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