



St Patricks Day Sunday 17th March 2019

The weather was warm and pleasant which matched the occasion when our members attending the annual **St Patricks Day** celebrations. It was once again tremendous to see all those members enthusiastically in fancy dress, the Irish way. Thanks to Siobhan Herrity who co-ordinated the day, Catherine (Cath) and Graham Patrick who did a great job in decorating the bowling area.

This year as usual all players contributed to the Spider won by Tony Lear, followed by a game of bowls. Winners were Chris Ewer, Ken Richardson, Alan Deacon on shot difference as Tony Lear, Brain Hallam and Wayne Roberts both had the same points but lost by 2 shots.

Thanks to all who donated the many prizes for the Raffle and Tombola and for the help in selling raffle tickets sold by Cath Patrick, Christina Fitzgerald, Carole Hollett, Linda Weertman. The Tombola was run well by Joyce Sheard, Joe Sibley and Rona Hendry. Special mention to John and Eileen Phoenix for making up the well-stocked Hampers. Stand up Bingo was run well by Cath Patrick and Maureen Sherriff. Guess the weight of the cake was Eileen Ritson who also iced it. Finally, Maureen Sherriff won the nearest to the bottle game which as usual was effectively run by Graham Patrick

All in all, total raised was 800 euros which is going to MACS & Stepping Stones

The Fancy dress was won by Bryan Hughes and the best dressed lady, Cath Patrick as Molly Malone. Thanks to Sandra Brown for as usual doing a grand job in organising the after-match lunch and saving seats for all on the patio to enjoy the entertainment by a very good Irish Band. Patrick Pierce and his Group

Ladies Captain presented the prizes and thanks to Chris and Sandra Brown for drawing out the raffle tickets

As can be seen with all activities and work prior and during St Patricks Day celebrations it was enormously successful. Thanks to Siobhan Herrity and Carole Hollett for giving me the information to be able to produce this report. Also, for our resident 'David Bailly' John Fitzgerald, for the lovely photographs taken. This report and photographs can be viewed on our website www.bowlingalmeria.com

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