

2019 FAB Men's & Ladies Pairs Finals Report

The **FAB Men's and Ladies Pairs** commenced on 28th with the Ladies playing at Indalo Bowling Club and Men playing at Almeria Bowling Club. Both Finals then taking place on Sunday 1st December at Almeria starting at 10am. Fortunately throughout the competition the weather was sunny and fine compared with the awful weather prior to this period

Ladies Winners Judy Abel and Chris Parkinson from Indalo Bowling Club winning against Eileen Phoenix and Carol Roberts from Almeria Bowling Club.

Men's Winners were Adrian Davis and Mark Naylor from Almeria Bowling Club winning against Adrian Sussex and Keith Lester from Indalo Bowling Club

Chris Parkinson and Judy Abel reached the Ladies Final by winning over Sheila. Kinson and Gill Young from Indalo. Adrian Davis and Mark Naylor had an exciting semi- final win against Austin Crilly and Dave Waters from Cabrera.

Ladies Final was good to watch with Carol and Eileen ahead on the ninth end, but Judy and Chris levelling up on the tenth. Judy and Chris then applied pressure to not allow Eileen and Carol to score further until the last three ends. However, points scored here was not enough to take the lead, giving Judy Abel and Chris Parkinson the Championship.

Men's Final was eagerly anticipated with both pairs having strong performances leading up to the final. It certainly lived up to this with nip and tuck throughout the competition. Keith and Adrian were ahead 13-10 on the sixteenth end. The next end two shots scored by Adrian and Mark with Keith and Adrian still being one shot ahead 13-12. On the eighteenth Keith and Adrian were holding shots which effectively would have been a score hard to beat for Adrian and Mark to win this game Adrian then with his last wood came into the head taking the end by one shot levelling score 13-13. An extra end was then played. More excitement again when Keith and Adrian were again holding winning shots. Adrian Davis on his first bowl played a controlled drive splitting the head giving Adrian and Mark a one-shot lead with the Jack very close to green border. This proved to be the winning shot as Keith and Adrian were unable to take the winning shot giving Adrian Davies and Mark Naylor the Championship

On completion of the competition Almeria Captain, Chris Brown presented the prizes and Trophy to the finalists. He thanked all the umpires, Tony Lear for running the competition, Bryan Hughes for managing the green. He also thanked the competitors and last of all the supporters, who at the last count was in excess of fifty on Finals Day. Vic Parsons then took the photographs.

Vic Parsons – FAB Press Secretary