

## 2016 Anniversary Open Competition



Winners



Second



Third



Fourth

Twenty teams took part from all local clubs, Mojacar, Cabrera, Indalo and of course Almeria Bowling Clubs. A traumatic day was felt as rain threatened together with thunder. Rain avoided us but thunder and lightning later in the afternoon occurred. Fortunately, it only lasted a short time and was replaced by lovely sunshine, although very cold.

The teams were drawn into two groups (1) and (2) and played three games each during the day of up to eight ends able to be achieved in one hour. The winners of each group played each other in the Final. The runners up of both groups played each other for third and fourth places.

Winners of Group (2) (**Almeria**) - **Overall Winners of Competition** – Colin Wright, Ken Sykes and Viv Sykes beat Winners of group (1) (**Cabrera**) - **Second** – Rod Band and Lyn Band, Malcolm Smallwood.

Winners of runners up Group (1) (**Almeria**) **Third**– John and Lyn Burgess, Sylvia Pritchard. Beat the runners up of Group (2) (**Indalo**) **Fourth**) Gill Atkinson. Jenny Thompson and Gerard Douglas.

Both groups were very close to decide the finalists. Group (1) both on 22 points with only the shot difference separating them. Rod Band and team shot difference +20 with John Burgess team +14.

Group (2) Colin Wright and team scored 25 points but in second place were three teams on 19 points. The best of course was Malcolm's team, +10. The others Teams with 19 points were from Indalo and featured Keith and Lyn Lester with Chris Ivin +8 and Alan and Mo DeBoer with Doreen Hall +2.

On completion of the competition I thanked the competitors for taking part, the supporters watching, Jim Pike and team for carpet preparation, David Allen for doing a splendid job timing and co-ordinating the scores. As Shirley and Anthony were away and we were celebrating twenty years since the bowls started at Camping Los Gallardos David Jackson stepped up to do the prize giving. He mentioned the grass greens to the current carpet surface and tremendous progress we have made at Almeria, reaching this stage. He then presented the trophy to the winners and cash prizes which the LG management had sponsored.

All in all a great day was had by everyone

Vic Parsons ALBC Press Officer & Deputy Chairman

Runners