



Men's Winner Bryan Thompson



Ladies Winner Catherine Patrick

2019 Dyer Cup and Appleby Vase Report (Club Men's and Ladies Club Single Championship)

The **Dyer Cup and the Appleby Vase**. Men and Ladies Club Singles commenced on Thursday 31st January with preliminary rounds, followed by both men and Ladies playing Quarter Finals on Friday 1st reaching the Semis on Saturday 2nd with the both finals taking place on Sunday 3rd February. The early weather was at times hard to play with strong winds, fortunately on Finals day it started cold but ended sunny and warm and attracted a full house of supporters.

The winner of the **Appleby Vase** was Catherine (Cath) Patrick over Sylvia Pritchard who was also the finalist in 2018. Bryan Thompson winner of the **Dyer Cup** in 2018 won again winning over last year's finalist Ken Richardson. Cath reached the Final by beating Maureen Ohara , Bryan won over John Fitzgerald.

Appleby Vase Final. This on paper was going to be a tight game and proved to be so with an epic game, as both players gave their all. Cath started the better but Sylvia then by the eighth end was level at 6-6. Nip and tuck until the sixteenth and eighteenth end with the scores level again at 11-11 and 14-14 respectively. Cath then edged forward with Sylvia then fighting back going ahead 20-19 on the twenty-fourth end. The next end proved to be good for Cath as she scored two shots to win the Championship. A wonderful game to watch.

Dyer Cup Final – This was a repeat of 2018 final and of course Ken wanted dearly to change the result this year. Ken was determined and started well but unable to stop the pressure of Bryan not allowing Ken to score for five ends on the trot with the score of 16-10 on the sixteenth end. Although Ken fought back, he was unable to close the score significantly allowing Bryan to take the Championship again.

On completion of both competitions our Captain Chris Brown thanked Bryan Hughes for the green maintenance, all markers who without we couldn't run the competition. Colin Wright for umpiring and Tony Lear for running the competition so well. Finally, before presenting the trophies thanked everyone for their support. Vic Parsons then took photographs. These plus this report can be viewed on our website. www.bowlingalmeria.com

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