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Triples Open- the Inaugural Competition

The Carrefour Petanque Club was today delighted to host its first ever Open Triples competition in its 24 year history. The event attracted competitors from Guernsey, England, France and all three of the other Jersey clubs: JPC, St. Mary's and Liberation. Feedback received suggested that the event was a welcome compliment to the successful JPC Open held on the preceding Saturday and Sunday.

Of the four randomly drawn groups, A and C proved to be to the most exciting. 'Les Amigos', inspired by their 84 year old 'firer' Maurice Richard managed to edge past the City of Bath team on points difference, despite having lost to the English in their head to head. Maurice's team's double 13-0 drubbing of two fellow Channel Island's sides combined with the City of Bath's loss to Jersey Petanque Association stalwart Elaine Paisnel's team secured the veterans' progress.

Guernsey team 'Hung Over' appeared home and dry into the semi finals until they suffered a shock 2-13 defeat to 'Country Boys' of Jersey which allowed their opponents to sneak past them into the semi-finals.

In the remaining two groups, 'Nicomeril' cruised their way through untroubled, winning all of their games while in Group D the 'Scoobys' raced into an unassailable position.

The live semi-final draw saw 'Les Amigos' pitched against 'Scoobys' and 'Nicomeril' against the 'Country Boys'.

Recent form held true and the Jersey International representatives progressed: 'Nicomeril' beating 'Country Boys' 13-6 and 'Scoobys' beating 'Les Amigos' 13-7.

Following the semi-finals, the third placed play off saw the 'Country Boys' defeat the evidently deflated veterans of 'Les Amigos' 13-3.

The final started in engaging fashion and after 6 ends the home Carrefour team, 'Nicomeril' were 3-5 down. The home team dug deep, and superb firing from Mark Nicol, excellent pointing from Jake Romeril and good all round play from Jake's father, Chris, saw the momentum change and 'Nicomeril' ended up beating their 'JPC' opponents 13-6.

Results:

Final : 'Nicomeril' beat 'Scooby' 13-6 (1-0; 1-2; 1-3; 3-3; 3-4; 3-5; 7-5; 9-5; 11-5; 11-6; 13-6)

Third placed play-off : 'Country Boys' beat 'Les Amigos' 13-3

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