



# ANNOUNCEMENT



ITBA EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATION (1<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2023)

EUROPEAN SENIOR BOWLING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2023



PAT HOLMES WINS MASTERS **Gold** MEDAL

Ireland was again well represented at the **30<sup>th</sup> ESBC 2023** held in Bologna, Italy which took place from 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023 to 1<sup>st</sup> July 2023. Over 600 Senior bowlers from 24 countries participated including Ireland's **Roisin Cloake, Pat Holmes, Martina Shortt, Peter Murphy, Kieran Shortt and Shay Kelly.**



Having narrowly missed out on medals in the Singles (4<sup>th</sup>) and in All Events (Combined Singles, Doubles and Trios), Pat Holmes' overall performance in the All Events (4<sup>th</sup>) gave her entry into the prestigious **2023 ESBC Masters Final.** The top 6 bowlers went head-to-head to determine the overall **2023 ESBC Champion.**

In a tough, five game format, where the lowest scoring bowler is eliminated after every game, Pat was not to be denied a podium place at the **30<sup>th</sup> European Seniors Bowling Championships** and was up to the challenge, going one better than in the Bologna 2019 ESBC Masters, where she secured a magnificent silver medal.

Yes, **Pat Holmes** comes home, the **ESBC Masters Champion,** with a well-deserved prestigious **gold medal.** We are all so proud of Pat's superb achievement and send heartfelt congratulation to **Pat Holmes** on her stellar performance.

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