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Fine Forecasts for II CTBF Championships

One month from today, play will be underway in the picturesque city of Paphos in Cyprus as bowlers from 17 Commonwealth countries compete in the II Commonwealth Tenpin Bowling Championships.

From Monday, 14 February onwards, leading officials from the Commonwealth Games Federation and tenpin bowling's governing bodies at Zone and World level have been invited to Cyprus to join local and international spectators to witness a week-long competition that will culminate with a unique, Cypriot-style Victory Banquet on Saturday, 19 February.

The Championships will take place at the 18-lane, Brunswick equipped, Cosmic Bowling Centre in Paris Street, Paphos under the direction of Tournament Manager Marios Nicolaides and the team of officials and Centre staff that has been assembled to stage the competition.

The hectic schedule of Singles, Doubles, Mixed Doubles and Teams events scheduled to begin following Official Practice and the Opening Ceremony on 14 February will be matched by the excitement of a variety of activities and attractions in Cyprus. "For many of the teams, officials and supporters, it will be their first visit to Cyprus and we want it to be truly memorable," explained Marinos Papadopoulos. As President of the Organising Committee, Marinos and his colleagues have been working tirelessly for many months to ensure all aspects of the event will be just that. "The hosts of the inaugural Commonwealth Championship in Scotland certainly set a high standard for us, and we're aiming to make this second event equally successful," he added.

"One thing we have in our favour is the weather" interjected Cyprus Bowling Federation President, Roger Christofides good-naturedly. "The maximum temperature yesterday was just 5 degrees in London and only 8 degrees in Toronto, while in Singapore and Kuala Lumpur the mercury hovered around 34 degrees all day.....here on our beautiful Island of Cyprus we're enjoying an average daily temperature of around 15 degrees, with a balmy 20 degrees average and plenty of sunshine forecast next month. "It's amazing the number of enquiries I'm getting about the weather" he continued. "Bowlers from the tropics looking forward to some relief from the heat and those from the colder climates looking forward to escaping their winter chills," he said, smiling.

Full details regarding the II CTBF Championships can be found on the event website - www.angelfire.com/pa5/ctbc2005 or via the link from the CTBF's official website - www.ctbf.org. Maps, weather forecasts and other useful local data is available at www.intercyprus.com/cyprus_map.html.

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