

SEA GAMES : SINGLES ! MALAYSIA OPEN THE COUNTERS

The semi-finals were very different: if, for the women, the dominance of the young Thai versus the Malaysian and that of the Vietnamese against the excellent Cambodian shooter - but too limited by pointing - on this difficult terrain finished in two relatively easy victories, it was not the same with the men.



In the semi-final between the Cambodian, world champion of shooting, and the Malaysian one fails to have a perfect illustration of how to lose a captive match ! Although the Malaysian missed to add many points against a completely transparent rival, he led 11-3 when a huge mistake woke up his opponent. Sok Chanmean started nibbling back until 11-10, and he had to miss a 3-point lead, so that the Malaysian went to 12 and then the 13th point of the latter when he could reach 12-12.

In the other semifinal, on the contrary, it was an illustration of the fact that the first who plays does not score in a high-level game with exceptional shooting success percentages. Finally it was the young Thai world champion junior who ended with a beautiful carreau to win 13-11.

For the finals that were preceded by the presentation of two films on Paris 2024 we had the presence of the Kuala Lumpur Mayor, to whom shirt President Azéma evidently put the badge Paris 2024 and awarded him a jack Boules Sport 2024.

The final of the men almost turned to a demonstration because, in five ends, the Malaysian, holding title, led 10 - 0. The young Thai, still calm, reacted to reach 7, but he then yielded in two new ends before a public which didn't spared its encouragement and his songs to its champion, but remained very respectful when the opponent was playing.



On the other hand the two Women gave a spectacle of very high quality during fifteen ends by marking in turn until 9-8. It should be noted that the two players did not miss one boules by shooting during the whole game which was remarkable and effective on a lane always difficult for the point. The victory was first offered to the Thai but her last shot did not push enough the target boules and she only reach 12-9. Despite a fault of game - she pointed on a boules at 20 cm because she had been hampered by a cameraman - the Vietnamese got two points thanks to two carreaux and then managed to make the two last on the following end with a very risky shot despite an assured point but the success was at the rendezvous .



Results :

Men :

Semi-finals : Muhamad Hafizuddin (Malaysia) bat Sok Chanmean (Cambodia) 13-10

Kiatkong Tanong (Thailand) bat Son Khop (Vietnam) 13-11

Final : Muhamad Hafizuddin (Malaysia) bat Kiatkong Tanong (Thailand) 13-7

Women :

Semi-finals: Nguyen Thi Thi (Vietnam) bat Un Sreya (Cambodia) 13-5

Uraivan Hiranwong (Thailand) bat Suhartisera Binti Zamri (Malaysia) 13-5

Final : Nguyen Thi Thi (Vietnam) bat Uraivan Hiranwong (Thailand) 13-12