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SWEDEN REIGNS SUPREME IN DOUBLES EVENT AT MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sweden's doubles team of Martin Paulsson and Mathias Arup won the gold medal in the doubles event at the Men's World Championships by defeating Malaysia's Alex Liew and Muhamad Aiman 398 – 379 in a final that went to the 10th frame for a decision. Liew and Aiman earned the silver medal.

A one-game semi-final and final decided the medals. After six games, the #1 doubles pair met the #4 pair and #2 and #3 met in the semi-final matches. The winners of each match met in the final. The losers in the semi-finals each earned bronze medals.

Sweden finished #1 in the six game qualifier and then went past the professional duo of Patrick Allen and Rhino Page of the United States of America in the semi-final. #2 Malaysia's beat #3 Germany's Bodo Konieczny and Jens Nickel 429 – 325.

USA and Germany both received the bronze medal.

A record 356 players from 65 countries are competing at the Dream Bowl Palace in Unterföhring, a suburb of Munich, Germany. The 52 lane centre is the largest in Europe.

Competition in the championships includes singles, doubles, trios, teams and a match play masters event for the high 16 players in the All events.

Canada's team was selected at the 2009 National Championships held in Burlington, Ontario.

Jason Kovack, Windsor, Ontario and Michael Schmidt, Winnipeg, Manitoba were Canada's top performers. They bowled 2443 for their six games. Schmidt, the 2005 World Cup champion, led the pair with 1290 and Kovack bowled 1153 for his six games.

Canada's other doubles pairs are: Guillaume Nadeau, Quebec City, Quebec and Art Oliver, Jr., Hamilton, ON who finished 74th. Jean-Sebastien Lessard, Quebec City, QC and Mark Buffa, Montreal, QC finished 90th 176 doubles competed.

With two events and 12 games to play, the 16th position to compete in the masters event is 2526 (210.50 average). Team Canada's top player after two events is Michael Schmidt who has scored 2448.

Complete scores are available at www.gotenpinbowling.ca

Lucien Casagrande, Winnipeg, MB and Frank Buffa Montreal, QC are the coaches for Team Canada.

The trios competition begins Tuesday.

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