



Nur Dyana (left) and Ilma Nur Jannah both scored 3,724 pinfalls to become the first joint-winners of the girls' all-events title. PHOTOS: RAJ NADARAJAN, SINGAPORE SPORTS SCHOOL

Ilma, Dyana create history

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BOWLING history was created at the Schools National B Division Championships yesterday.

For the first time, there were two joint winners of the girls' all-events. Singapore Sports School (SSP) students and close friends Ilma Nur Jannah Fadzal and Nur Dyana Abu Bakar both recorded 3,724 pinfalls after 18 games to share the title.

Stacy Lian of Raffles Girls' School (RGS) was third with 3,703 pinfalls.

Ilma and Dyana, both 15, were full of praise for each other's achievement.

Said Ilma: "Dyana had very good fighting spirit. She didn't bowl well yesterday during the team event but she improved a lot today."

Dyana said: "Ilma's very consistent, and watching her motivates me to work

harder."

Their double gold was the icing on the cake for SSP, who claimed six of the eight titles on offer at the championships at the Orchid Bowl.

The girls' all-events aside, SSP also won the girls' singles and team titles as well as the boys' singles, doubles and team golds.

Breaking SSP's monopoly were Methodist Girls' pair Joelle Fung and Genevieve Gan, and Royvin Ho from Anglo-Chinese School (Independent).

Joelle and Genevieve scored 2,395 pinfalls in the girls' doubles, 24 ahead of runners-up Dyana and Phelycia Chan.

Royvin won the boys' all-events with 3,938 pinfalls, ahead of SSP's Ng Chiew Pang (3,863). In a field where seven of the top 10 male keglers were from the Sports School, Royvin said: "I wanted to do my school proud."