

SOUTH TWEED SHARKS - PREMIER LEAGUE QUEENSLAND BOWLS

Premier Grade Round 3 (21/1/2017) – South Tweed Sharks v. Hamilton Power

South Tweed Sharks 71 d. Hamilton Power 49

K. Kerkow 16 lost to S. Baker 20; S. Glasson 32 d. B. Egan 14; N. Jenkins 23 d. M. Brown 15

On their home turf the Sharks scored 2 rinks to 1 victory over the 2016 Premier League Champions Hamilton Power on Saturday night. Best result for the Sharks was the team skipped by bowls legend Steve Glasson backed up by new Sharkies Bill Cornehls, Clinton Bailey and Gary Pearson defeating Brendon Egan's team by 17 shots. This result was never in doubt with the Sharks players all contributing to a great overall team victory. Meanwhile, Neville Jenkins and team contained Michael Brown for the Power with Richo leading well and Jenksie cleaning up for an 8 shot victory. The closest game on the night saw Hamilton's Sean Baker get out to a 10-shot lead against Kelvin Kerkow at the half way point. The Sharks fought back in the latter part of the game to go down by 4 shots.

A Grade

South Tweed Sharks 73 lost to Hamilton Power 77

R. Hickman 22 d. A. Howard 10; L. Ponting 14 lost to L. Paatsch 22;

J. Leese 16 lost to S. Byrne 26; B. Wilson 21 d. J. Gough 19

The Sharks lost a tight encounter with the powerful Hamilton outfit to go down by 4 shots overall, 2 rinks each. The deciding moment came in the 19th end in the game Sharks Josh Leese versus Shaun Byrnes for the Power. Leese was holding 5 shots but Byrnes with the final bowl played an accurate on shot to take a bare jack into the ditch for 5 shots to the Power – a 10 shot turnaround. Byrnes was certainly the standout player for the Power on the night making numerous conversions to give his team a 10-shot victory. Ray Hickman scored a good win over Alan Howard by 12 shots. A mighty effort from Sharks Brenden Wilson's team to come from behind to win by 2 shots over Jamie Gough. Powers Lawrie Paatsch lead all the way for a solid 8 shot win over Lindsay Ponting. Expect to see some team adjustments for next week's home game against new PLQ team Kawana Thunder.

Premier 7's Round 2 (21/01/2017)

Division 1

South Tweed Sharks d. Victoria Point 2 rinks to 1

Singles: G. Wood 31 d. J. Lark 29

Pairs: P. Bennett, L. Beckman 17 d. W. Goninan, B. Woodland 15

Fours: N. Pritchard, C. Moran, J. Chapman, P. West 18 lost to N. Earle, J. Regan, A. Marshall, P. Allford 20

What a close, high quality contest it was between these 2 teams as reflected in the scores. In the singles, Gordon Wood for the Sharks was behind most the match but showed tenacity and skill to get in front of Josh Lark late in the match claiming a satisfying 2 shot victory. The pairs game was a tough battle with the score oscillating in favour of Sharks or Victoria Point several times during the match. Sharks Phil Bennett and Lou Beckman proved a little stronger and more accurate in the last few ends to win by 2. A 2 shot win in the fours to Victoria Point skipped by Peter Allford. The Sharks got back into this game with a 6 on the 15th end to be 1 shot behind but their opponents held firm to win by 2.

Division 4

South Tweed Sharks lost to Helensvale 2 rinks to 1

Singles: J. Brown 23 lost to K. Read 31

Pairs: O. Cunningham, D. O'Neill 15 lost to B. Denham, B. O'Boyle 23

Fours: A. Lavosi, K. Figura, G. Harrison, D. Knox 17 d. N. Donaldson, C. Reilly, K. Bates, D. Green 16

In the singles, Ken Read for Helensvale dominated in the last 4 ends of this match to score a solid 8 shot victory over Sharks John Brown after the scores were locked on 23 all. The pairs game was mostly competitive with Bob Denham and Brendon O'Boyle scoring multiple shots on 3 ends in the last half of the game to win comfortably. The winning rink for the Sharks was skipped by Dave Knox, lead Anna Lavosi, second Karen Figura and third Greg Harrison. Congratulations to this team for 'digging deep' to score 6 shots in the last 3 ends and win by 1!

Division 5

South Tweed Sharks d. South Toowoomba 2 rinks to 1

Singles: I. Ensbey 31 d. D. Petersen 11

Pairs: D. Lawrie, A. Vidler 16 lost to M. Hannant, R. Gorman 24

Fours: G. Coste, B. Spurway, J. Morton, R. Riddle 17 d. B. Silk, R. Byers, K. Dawson, R. Byers 16

Experienced player Ivan Ensbey was on fire in the singles, in front from start to finish Ivan comfortably defeated Tigers Debbie Petersen. Sharks pairing of Dave Lawrie and Alan Vidler battled early in the match to take the lead at the 12th end only to be overpowered by Tigers Marlene Hannant and Russell Gorman who advanced to a solid 8 shot win. The fours game was a closely contested event, locked 16 all after 21 ends. The 2017 Conditions of Play required an extra end to be played which was won on a close measure by the Sharks - well done to Glen, Brian, Jim and skip Ray for the Sharks; commiserations to the Tigers team.

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