

SOUTH TWEED SHARKS - PREMIER LEAGUE QUEENSLAND BOWLS

Round 8 (25/02/2017) – South Tweed Sharks v. Ipswich Swifts

Premier Grade

South Tweed Sharks 54 lost to Ipswich Swifts 55

K. Kerkow 22 d. J. Cross 13; G. Pearson 16 lost to G. Tate 21; N. Jenkins 16 lost to J. Slatter 21

A night the Swifts will not forget when they claimed a memorable last end victory over the Sharks. The Sharks were holding 4 shots going into the last end but this did not phase Greg Tate's Ipswich team that scored a 5 to go past the Sharks and win by 1 overall. This loss may prove costly for the Sharks in their quest for the finals, however, expect the Sharks' fighting spirit to come to the surface in the next three home game matches.

A Grade

South Tweed Sharks 72 lost to Ipswich Swifts 81

R. Hickman 19 lost to G. Ayre 24; L. Ponting 21 d. G. Hooper 15;

N. Heap 7 lost to D. Caruana 27; B. Wilson 25 d. N. Bretherton 15

This game between the 5th place Sharks and the 6th place Swifts was always going to be a tight one. The result was 2 rinks all. Swifts skip Gary Ayre's 5 shot win over Ray Hickman and Dennis Caruana's decisive 20 shot victory over Nathan Heap sealed the win for the Swifts. Lindsay Ponting and Brendan Wilson have their teams bowling well for the Sharks and continue to clock up convincing victories. Will there be some selection changes to avoid the leakage of shots that are denying the Sharks victories in closely fought matches? Time will tell! The Sharks are a determined unit so expect them to bounce back strongly in the final three matches of the competition.

Next Saturday's match against Tweed Heads Ospreys will be a beauty, so do not miss it.

Premier 7's Round 7 (25/02/2017)

Division 1

South Tweed Sharks lost to Victoria Point Redbacks 2 rinks to 1

Singles: N. Pritchard 20 lost to W. Goninan 31

Pairs: K. Figura, C. Moran 10 lost to B. Woodland, J. Lark 32

Fours: D. Bateson, P. West, J. Brown, S. Lowe 22 d. N. Earle, P. Allford, A. Close, R. Kelsey 17

Norm Pritchard, playing his first singles match in the 7's for the Sharks, fought back late in the game to reduce the margin losing by 11 shots. A hot Redbacks pairs combination of B. Woodland and J. Lark gained the upper hand early going on to win comfortably over Karen Figura and Cheryl Moran for the Sharks. The winning rink for the Sharks was the fours team skipped by Steve Lowe with a 5 shot margin. Don Bateson, Phil West and John Brown all contributed to the win with bowls regularly in the head.

Division 4

South Tweed Sharks lost to Helensvale Hawks 2 rinks to 1

Singles: D. Lawrie 18 lost to K. Read 31

Pairs: R. Riddle, D. O'Neill 13 lost to B. Denham, B. O'Boyle 27

Fours: A. Lavosi, M. Halsey, G. Harrison, D. Knox 24 d. P. Hearn, N. Donaldson, K. Bates, D. Green 11

Dave Lawrie for the Sharks led early in the singles but was overtaken by Ken Read who went on to score a comfortable win. The Hawks pairs team of Bob Denham and Brendon O'Boyle scored a convincing victory by 14 shots over Ray Riddle and Dell 'Neill. Dave Knox for the Sharks is having a good season as skip with his team leading 12/0 early to go on and win by 13 shots. Thanks to Martin Halsey who filled the second position in the team.

Division 5

South Tweed Sharks lost to South Toowoomba Tigers 2 rinks to 1

Singles: I. Ensbey 17 lost to D. Petersen 31

Pairs: G. Coste, J. Scicluna 13 lost to M. Hannant, R. Byers 19

Fours: B. Coste, A. Vidler, J. Morton, B. Spurway 21 d. G. Dwan, R. Byers, K. Dawson, R. Gorman 16

Thanks to John Privett for driving the bus, they tell me there were no potholes on the road to Toowoomba! Thanks also to Greg Harrison and Alan Vidler for their help on the day for this away match. The guys played their best but unfortunately the Tigers won 2 rinks to 1. The best result for the Sharks was the fours with Brian Spurway and team winning by 5. Congratulations to the Sharks Division 5 players for their commitment and support of their club in sticking together for the two "far away" games this season – well done guys.

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