

## **SOUTH TWEED SHARKS - PREMIER LEAGUE QUEENSLAND BOWLS**

Round 9 (04/03/2017) – South Tweed Sharks v. Tweed Heads Ospreys

### **Premier Grade**

#### **South Tweed Sharks 58 d. Tweed Heads Ospreys 47**

K. Kerkow 23 d. S. Tong 16; S. Glasson 17 lost to M. Bayliss 21; N. Jenkins 18 d. P. Girdler 10

South Tweed Sharks won the battle of the local clubs with an important victory over their Tweed Heads neighbours by 11 shots overall, 2 rinks to 1. Mark Bayliss won a rink by 4 shots for the Tweed Ospreys over Steve Glasson, who featured during the week as manager of the champion Sydney Lions team at Bowls Premier League in New Zealand. Sharks Kelvin Kerkow took control over the talented, previously undefeated PLQ skip Steven Tong to win by 7 shots. Former Tweed Premier League player Brendan Wilson had a strong game as Kelvin's second and vindicated his promotion to the Premier side. Reliable, experienced Neville Jenkins and his team won a quality game against Tweed's Paul Girdler by 8 shots. The win against the Tweed Ospreys has been a confidence booster for the Sharks and they are now in 5<sup>th</sup> position on the PLQ ladder, in striking distance for a finals berth.

### **A Grade**

#### **South Tweed Sharks 98 d. Tweed Heads Ospreys 70**

R. Hickman 13 lost to J. Bosisto 17; L. Ponting 40 d. P. Phillips 20;

W. Wilson 27 d. M. Larcombe 16; D. Bennett 18 d. P. Watson 17

Team adjustments for the Sharks worked wonders as they comfortably defeated the Tweed Heads Ospreys by 28 shots overall, 3 rinks to 1. Best result for the Sharks was a whopping 40/20 win by Lindsay Ponting's team over Tweed's Peter Phillips. Wayne Wilson, coming in as the 4<sup>th</sup> Sharks skip, accounted for Melissa Larcombe by 11. Dave Bennett scored a close but important win for the Sharks by 1 shot holding off a determined finish by the Tweed team skipped by Paul Watson. John Bosisto for the Ospreys avoided a Sharks whitewash by defeating Ray Hickman by 4. Sharks now move to 5<sup>th</sup> position on the A grade ladder and the focus is to make the finals where anything is possible.

Next Saturday's match at home is against Capalaba - a vital one for the Sharks to win.

### **Premier 7's Round 8 (04/03/2017)**

#### **Division 1**

#### **South Tweed Sharks d. Wellers Hill Wasps 2 rinks to 1**

Singles: P. West 14 lost to K. Higson 31

Pairs: C. Moran, L. Beckman 19 d. A. Neven, L. Daley 18

Fours: K. Graham, K. O'Keefe, N. Pritchard, S. Lowe 19 d. W. Jones, G. Porter, A. Martin, C. Hearnden 16

The Sharks defeated section leaders Wellers Hill in a close encounter. Cheryl Moran and Lou Beckman won the pairs by a shot on the last end with Lou playing a bomb to gain 3 shots. Wasps skip Lindsay Daley was unable to disrupt the head with his last bowl so a well-earned win to Lou and Cheryl. The Sharks won the fours by 3 shots. A 5 late in the game by the Sharks gave them the margin to hold off any late challenge by the Wasps. Tenacious Keith Graham was playing his first competitive game for some time and was consistent as lead, well done Keith; Norm Pritchard slotted into the third position seamlessly and played

confidently. In the singles, Sharks player Phil West has now played each discipline in Division 1 but he struck a very tough opponent in Kevin Higson, who relished the conditions winning comfortably for the Wasps by 17 shots.

#### **Division 4**

**South Tweed Sharks d. Belmont Blaze** 2 rinks to 1

Singles: J. Brown 31 d. S. Caltabiano 18

Pairs: S. Johnstone, D. O'Neill 6 lost to N. Fry, G. Pezzatta 32

Fours: A. Lavosi, K. Figura, G. Harrison, D. Knox 19 d. L. Horton, L. Davies, A. Sheather, G. Shaw 18

John Brown won the singles convincingly for the Sharks by 13 shots. In the pairs, the Sharks team of Sue Johnstone and Del O'Neil struck a red-hot Belmont combination that smothered the jack on most ends and recorded a stunning result (welcome to the Premier 7's Sue!). Dave Knox and his fours team led 11/1 early. The Belmont team skipped by G. Shaw fought back strongly to level 15/15 late in the game. Dave secured the last 2 ends for the Sharks to take the close game by barest of margins.

#### **Division 5**

**South Tweed Sharks d. Helensvale Hawks** 2 rinks to 1

Singles: I. Ensbey 31 d. B. Little 22

Pairs: G. Coste, J. Scicluna 29 d. R. Trelor, R. Fresle 26

Fours: B. Coste, D. Bateson, A. Vidler, J. Morton 10 d. R. Ryff, R. Stevenson, R. Hamilton, G. Danson 23

Ivan Ensbey recaptured winning form to take the singles match for the Sharks by 9 shots. In a high scoring pairs game, Glenn Coste and Joe Scicluna wore down their Hawks opponents to come over the top taking the last 3 ends, including a score of 6, to win by 3 – the falcon soared!! Well done guys. The Hawks fours team, skipped by Greg Danson, were too consistent taking an early lead that they never surrendered to win comfortably by 13 shots.

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