

**TEN weeks have flashed by to complete the preliminary rounds and qualifying finals will be played in five divisions this weekend at Salisbury and Booval Swifts.**

**The 16 Division 1 qualifiers includes the top two teams from each Section plus the two best placed third finishers, Ferny Grove and Jindalee.**

**Ferny Grove takes on the titleholders, Wellers Hill Wasp, at Swifts on Saturday evening and Jindalee meets Southport at Salisbury on Saturday afternoon.**

**All eight Div 1 qualifying finals will be staged at Swifts or Salisbury with the winners progressing to the quarter-finals at Mermaid Beach on the following weekend.**

**The seven Section winners were West Toowoomba, Burleigh Heads, Southport, Helensvale, Windsor, Mooloolaba and Wellers Hill.**

**Windsor Wombats** toughened up their finals preparation with a hard-fought 2-1 win over New Farm on a bumpy NF green with all players struggling to find a consistent line and length.

Ray Bax's fours team of Les Duvey, Dave Keogh and Kelly Gauntlett led the way by scoring a seven in a 24-13 win over the Lightning's Pat Campbell, Vince McDonald, Gervase Griffith and Dean Merlo.

The pairs and singles both went down to the wire with an extra end needed to decide a 21-19 pairs win for New Farm's Bob Myers and Steve Cooper against Mick Cummings and Dean Keogh.

It was 28-all on the 36<sup>th</sup> end in the singles before Geoff Jensen managed to outscore Mardy Foster 3-1 over the final ends for a 31-29 win

The games were played in great spirit with everyone enjoying the paddle pop breaks along the way and the Lightning wished Windsor good luck in the final series.

**South Tweed** completed the season with a 2-1 home loss to Broadbeach featuring a tough 19-16 pairs win by Phil West and John Privett.

Kylie O’Keeffe was no match for the Bulls’ Luke Day in the singles (31-13) and the John Brown-skipped fours fought back from 14-3 to be beaten 26-20.

**Helensvale** sealed first place in their Section with a 2-1 away win over Toowong, taking the fours 21-16 and the pairs 25-12.

But the Terriers’ John Arrowsmith showed his class in demolishing Steve Halliday 31-10 in the singles.

### **Division 1 Over 60s**

**The eight** quarter-finalists have this weekend free before doing battle at Mermaid Beach next week.

Titleholders Salisbury only just qualified by beating last year’s runners-up Broadbeach 2-1 last weekend and they now face runaway Section winners Ferny Grove.

Mooloolaba meets North Ipswich, Tweed Heads takes on Sandgate and Robina faces Burleigh Heads in other quarter-finals.

### **Division 3**

**Titleholders** Ipswich City and Benowa loom as likely quarter-finalists after dominating their Sections with a perfect 10 wins.

Ipswich Miners meet Salisbury at Swifts on Saturday evening and Benowa faces Bramble Bay at Salisbury on Saturday at 1pm.

Salisbury and Bramble Bay have both provided two of the 16 qualifiers.

## **Division 4**

**Toombul**, McKenzie Park, Paradise Point, Mermaid Beach and South Toowoomba were the five Section winners.

Six third-placed teams live to fight another day – Northern Suburbs, Helensvale, Broadbeach, Hamilton, Beenleigh and Bribie Island.

All eight qualifying finals will be played on Sunday at Salisbury and Swifts.

**Southport** clinched a playoffs berth with a 3-0 home win over South Tweed, Steve Rice's dominant 31-9 singles win the highlight.

Marcus Yost and Scott Harris wore down Sue Johnstone and Del O'Neill 21-13 in the pairs, while Dave Knox and his fours team fought gallantly to be beaten 21-17 after it was 17-all on 19 ends.

**South Toowoomba** travelled to Chermside and a 2-1 win enabled the Tigers to finish top of their Section.

Debbie Petersen dropped the singles 31-17 to Mat Gaddes, but Kay Hewitt and Mike Troughton pipped Ray Cowie and Howard Whittaker 25-24 in the pairs, and Roley Wilson's fours outfit romped home 30-10.

## **Division 5**

**The seven** Section winners were Tweed Heads, Ipswich United, Southport, Coolangatta, Enoggera, Sunnybank and Rosewood.

First-time entrants Rosewood meet one of the two Sunnybank qualifiers (Sunny Boys).

McKenzie Park has two qualifiers with the Ladies to take on the other Sunnybank qualifiers and the Men opposing Tweed Heads.

**South Tweed** finished the season on a high, beating Section winners Rosewood 2-1 at home, with Ivan Ensbey back in the singles winner's circle 31-22 over Mark McAllister.

The Sharks dropped the pairs 26-11 but Brian Spurway skipped a solid 27-18 fours victory.

A **30-12** fours win by Keith Dawson's fours outfit was the only joy for South Toowoomba in a 2-1 home loss to Helensvale.

Brydon Little was too strong for Gerard Dwan in the singles (31-19) and the Tigers' Marlene Hannant and Ros Byers tried hard but went down 24-19 in the pairs

## **Division 6**

**The six** Section winners were Durack/Inala, Springwood, Brighton, West Toowoomba, Russell Island and Woongoolba.

Woongoolba completed their Section unbeaten and loom as the team to beat. Their first hurdle is Banyo at Salisbury on Saturday morning.

Pine Rivers will figure in two qualifiers, versus Helensvale at Salisbury on Sunday morning and against Paradise Point at Swifts on Sunday morning.

**Paradise Point** clinched a playoffs berth with a 3-0 home win against Souths Acacia. Mick Thorne showed why he is vying for Australian bowling arm team selection by downing Scotty Edwards 31-22.

Kevin Fowler and Terry Fox aced the pairs 27-8, including a six and six winning ends on the trot, while newly crowned B grade pairs champion Lydia Paull continued her good form at lead in a 30-10 fours win skipped by Tom Denny.

**South Toowoomba** made the trip overseas and emerged with a 2-1 win at Russell Island, including Rod Scollen's 31-6 singles romp.

Patricia Schmith and Mary-Rose Greenwood won the pairs 20-19 for the Sea Eagles against Tom Nolan and John Beresford, while the Tigers were comfortable 20-13 winners in the fours.

**The Tigers** also travelled to Toombul in Section 2 and were beaten 2-1 with Dean Wright and Barry Johnstone providing the rink win in the pairs.

