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WHO WILL BE CROWNED OUR 2018 CHAMPIONS? WILL THE PIRATES LIFT THEIR FIRST EVER TROPHY? WILL THE HAWKS COLLECT NUMBER EIGHT? COULD KAWANA TOP THE LEAGUE IN JUST THEIR SECOND YEAR OF PLQ? COULD THE BULLS GO BACK TO BACK? OR WILL THE POWER TAKE THE HONOURS FOR THE THIRD TIME?

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2018 PLQ LADDERS

Premier Grade Ladder 2018 – Round 11					
Rank	Club	Played	Points	Rinks	Margin
1	PINE RIVERS PIRATES	11	18	19.5	64
2	HELENSVALE HAWKS	11	17	23	206
3	KAWANA THUNDER	11	16	22.5	99
4	BROADBEACH BULLS	11	16	21	97
5	HAMILTON POWER	11	14	20.5	86
6	Enoggera Eagles	11	14	18	56
7	South Tweed Sharks	11	11	15.5	-47
8	Booval Bombers	11	7	9.5	-119
9	Belmont Blaze	11	6	10.5	-149
10	Victoria Point Magpies	11	5	13.5	-45
11	Tweed Heads Ospreys	11	4	14	-75
12	Greenslopes Geckos	11	4	10.5	-177

A Grade Ladder 2018 – Round 11					
Rank	Club	Played	Points	Rinks	Margin
1	PINE RIVERS PIRATES	11	20	31.5	182
2	HELENSVALE HAWKS	11	18	30.5	218
3	BROADBEACH BULLS	11	18	28.5	152
4	ENOGBERA EAGLES	11	15	25	156
5	KAWANA THUNDER	11	14	26.5	52
6	Victoria Point Magpies	11	11	19	-20
7	South Tweed Sharks	11	10	25.5	62
8	Hamilton Power	11	10	24	2
9	Belmont Blaze	11	6	16.5	-115
10	Booval Bombers	11	6	13.5	-212
11	Tweed Heads Ospreys	11	4	16	-173
12	Greenslopes Geckos	11	0	7.5	-309

2018 Premier Grade Top Skips Ladder					
No	Skip	Club	Play	Win	Margin
1	NATHAN RICE	HAWKS	11	9	85
2	Kurt Brown	Thunder	11	9	71
3	Steven Tong	Pirates	11	8	44
4	Jade Groenewege	Magpies	11	8	34
5	Sean Ingham	Bulls	11	7.5	30
6	Brett Wilkie	Hawks	9	7	84
7	Jeremy Henry	Power	11	7	53
8	Ryan Bester	Bulls	11	7	27
9	Jimmy Anderson	Eagles	11	6.5	18
10	Aaron Hewson	Pirates	10	6.5	11
11	Aaron Teys	Power	10	6	9
12	Richard Strawbridge	Thunder	9	5.5	24
13	Brendon Egan	Eagles	11	5.5	17
14	Wayne Turley	Ospreys	11	5.5	-19
15	Troy Somerville	Thunder	8	5	38

2018 A Grade Top Skips Ladder					
No	Skip	Club	Play	Win	Margin
1	MATT BELL	HAWKS	11	8.5	68
2	Chris McKibben	Bulls	11	8.5	47
3	Rod Dixon	Eagles	10	8	80
4	Nigel Smith	Sharks	11	8	68
5	Reed Burgess	Hawks	11	8	64
6	Tyler Pettigrew	Pirates	8	7.5	52
7	Clint Bailey	Sharks	11	7.5	41
8	Geoff Maskell	Bulls	10	7	94
9	Mark Thatcher	Hawks	9	7	87
10	Jane Bush	Thunder	10	7	37
11	Shaun Byrne	Power	11	7	31
12	Wally Schmidt	Power	11	6.5	22
13	Nigel Melbourne	Thunder	11	6.5	4
14	Des Wilson	Pirates	9	6	43
15	Darren Christie	Hawks	10	6	14

FINALS WEEKEND SCHEDULE

Premier Draw Below
A Grade Draw Below Right

Elimination Final -Saturday, 17th March 2018			
BULLS	vs	POWER	12pm
Qualifying Final - Saturday, 17th March 2018			
HAWKS	vs	THUNDER	12pm
Minor Semi Final - Saturday, 17th March 2018			
Winner of Elimination	vs	Loser of Qualifying	5pm
Major Semi Final - Saturday, 17th March 2018			
PIRATES	vs	Winner of Qualifying	5pm
Preliminary Final - Sunday, 18th March 2018			
Loser of Major Semi	vs	Winner of Minor Semi	9am
Grand Final - Sunday, 18th March 2018			
Winner of Major Semi Final	vs	Winner of Preliminary Final	1pm

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Premier Grade Round 11 Results - 2018

	Score	Rinks			Score	Rinks
Enoggera Eagles	58	3	def	Hamilton Power	43	0
Jimmy Anderson	18		def	Jeremy Henry	15	
Brendon Egan	21		def	Aaron Tey	14	
Nic Gosley	19		def	Shannon McIlroy	14	
Belmont Blaze	59	1	def	Greenslopes Geckos	57	2
Jacob Nelson	31		def	Peter Tsoumbaras	15	
John Finlayson	14		lost to	Nick George	21	
Jesse Slater	14		lost to	Michael Turner	21	
Kawana Thunder	62	1	def	Booval Bombers	54	2
Kurt Brown	35		def	Graeme Hooper	7	
Richard Strawbridge	15		lost to	Cohen Litfin	23	
Joel Anderson	12		lost to	Jay Cross	24	
Broadbeach Bulls	81	2	def	South Tweed Sharks	45	1
Paul Girdler	32		def	Kelvin Kerkow	8	
Ryan Bester	17		lost to	Steve Glasson	20	
Sean Ingham	32		def	Wayne Wilson	17	
Victoria Point Magpies	59	1	lost to	Helensvale Hawks	68	2
Sean Baker	17		lost to	Aron Sherriff	22	
Jade Groenewege	22		def	Brett Wilkie	14	
Sam Twining	20		lost to	Nathan Rice	32	
Pine Rivers Pirates	67	3	def	Tweed Heads Ospreys	54	0
Steven Tong	24		def	Wayne Turley	20	
Aaron Hewson	25		def	John Green	19	
Robbie Wild	18		def	Leif Selby	15	

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A Grade Round 11 Results - 2018

	Score	Rinks			Score	Rinks
Enoggera Eagles	72	2	def	Hamilton Power	69	2
Darryl Weymouth	19		drew	Alan Howard	19	
Rod Dixon	22		def	Shaun Byrne	15	
Ester Regan	16		lost to	Brad Piper	20	
Maria Rigby	15		drew	Wally Schmidt	15	
Belmont Blaze	90	3	def	Greenslopes Geckos	69	1
Hugo Freeland	24		def	Geoff Renowden	12	
Joe Ayres	23		def	Damian Sparkes	14	
Noel Seawright	20		def	David McDonald	13	
John Fern	23		lost to	John Rafton	29	
Kawana Thunder	112	4	def	Booval Bombers	50	0
Michael Sorrenson	34		def	Che Thiele	12	
Aaron Page	23		def	Zac Adams	15	
Nigel Melbourne	25		def	Hilary Goebel	14	
Jane Bush	30		def	Garry Ayre	9	
Broadbeach Bulls	95	3	def	South Tweed Sharks	61	1
Chris McKibben	23		def	Clint Bailey	15	
Todd McIntosh	20		lost to	Ray Hickman	23	
Bolivia Millerick	22		def	Nigel Smith	17	
Geoff Maskell	30		def	Bill Cornehlis	6	
Victoria Point Magpies	89	2	def	Helensvale Hawks	72	2
Shane Kelsey	14		lost to	Reed Burgess	23	
Trevor Broadbent	17		lost to	Mark Thatcher	19	
Jason Heath	32		def	Darren Christie	16	
Andrew Thorrold	26		def	Matt Bell	14	
Pine Rivers Pirates	77	3	def	Tweed Heads Ospreys	74	1
Jaime Camara	24		def	Kevin Dixon	17	
Barry Dench	13		lost to	Mark Bayliss	21	
Richard Gascoigne	23		def	Wayne Watson	20	
Rob Dransfield	17		def	Paul Rafton	16	

Premier League Queensland Round 11 Club Match Reports

KAWANA THUNDER def BOOVAL BOMBERS 62—54

BY IAN SCHUBACK

Kawana Thunder secured 3rd spot on the ladder after a close shave against Booval Swifts in their last home game. The final result was 62/54 in Kawana's favour, despite losing two rinks.

Cohen Litfin's rink had a good 23/15 victory over Richard Strawbridge's team, while Jay Cross also performed well to beat Joel Andersen's rink by 12 shots. However, Thunder's team comprising Nick Cahill, Ray Elford, Ian Schuback & Kurt Brown steamrolled Bryce Litfin, Shawn Toomey, Kev Mallory & Graeme Hooper with an impressive 35/7 margin to get The Thunder home and remain unbeaten on their home turf. Congratulations to Kurt Brown finished 2nd overall on the skips ladder, and well done to Nathan Rice who topped the table.

Kawana Thunder's well balanced A Grade side trounced Booval by 62 shots, winning 112/50 to also claim a berth in the finals. Ken Laverty, Maz Emerton, Rowan Bruce & Jane Bush beat Troy Casey, Sean Gillis, Paul McDendrick & Gary Ayre 30/9, while Brandon Hill, John Fergusson, Rod Climo & Micheal Sorrensen defeated Brenda Thompson, Evelyn Stacey, Rod Cross & Che Thiele 34/12. Aaron Page's rink won 23/25 against Booval's Zac Adams 23/15, and Nigel Melbourne's team completed the clean sweep by beating Hilary Goebel's side 25/14.

Once again, Kawana Thunder impressed the large number of spectators as both sides cemented a finals berth in only their second season playing Premier League.

** Winners are grinners at Kawana Thunder with Maz Emerton, Jane Bush, Ken Laverty, Rowan Bruce & Tony Bush*

** Mark Williams showing off his special Thunder haircut with Joel Anderson*



BELMONT BLAZE def GREENSLOPES GECKOS 59—57

BY NOEL SEAWRIGHT

The final game for the 2018 season arrived with both of the Blaze sides having plenty to play for. A win for both sides would avoid finishing way down the ladder. With this in mind both sides went into the game with the view of coming away with a win, and of course against our local derby rivals which always adds to the challenge.

The top side got off to a solid start with both sides matching shot for shot and the lead changing on a number of occasions. By the 11th end Jacob was holding a 9 shot lead, Jessie was behind by 7 and Finno was ahead by one. Jacob's rink finished strongly picking up 11 shots in four ends to finish 31 – 15. John Finlayson's rink fought strongly in the second half of the game but finished down by 7 shots 14 – 21. Jessie's rink remained in touch throughout the game with Greenslopes lead not extending beyond 7. Final score was 14 -21. The final score saw the Blaze up by 2 shots, 59 – 57. Well done boys, a good way to finish the season.

The Blaze Premier A side was in the same situation as the top side. Plenty to play for and a wish to finish the season off with a win. The early ends of the game saw both sides sharing the honors with each having 2 rinks leading, by the 10th end the big board had the Blaze a head by 2 and leading on 3 rinks. John Fern's rink were finding the going tough throughout the first half of the game. To their credit they fought back to finish down by 6 shots, 23 – 29. Joe's rink finished in front 23 -14, Hugo's rink got up 24 -12 and Noel's rink also finished in front 20 – 13. The big board showed the final result going to the Blaze 90 – 68. Well done Blaze, a great way to finish.

As this is the final game for the Blaze in the 2018 season we would like to thank all those involved in the organization of the competition and those that have kept us up to date from week to week. Thank you to all the teams we have played, we have enjoyed your comradely and the spirit with which our games have been played. Best of luck to those teams going into the play offs.

BROADBEACH BULLS def SOUTH TWEED SHARKS 81—45

No report submitted.

VICTORIA POINT MAGPIES def by HELENSALE HAWKS 59—68

BY SEAN BAKER

Charity Round

The Magpies hosted the Hawks in the final round of the regular season, which also happened to be the charity round. The Magpies and their members and friends managed to raise a touch over \$2000.00 to the cause, well done to all those involved!

The Hawks turned up to play, particularly Australian representative Nathan Rice who sizzled all night long, jumping out the blocks against Mitchell Cameron, Jamie Nordlof, Scott McLachlan and skip Sam Twining. The Magpie rink played well, holding plenty of good shots, but Lurch didn't miss, giving them a 32-20 win over the Magpie rink. Kelsey Cottrell got her team of Sam White, Andrew Howie and skipper Aron Sherriff. They had a tight battle with competition easy beat Sean Baker, but with a late 5 the Magpies couldn't contain them, with an eventual 17-22 loss to the Hawk rink. Magpie star Jade "The Ice Man" Groenewege was again the Magpies shining light, his rink of Mick Bermingham, Paul Vardy and Jason Carpenter all played great this season and finished off with an impressive 22-14 win over Lynsey Clarke, Des Cann (host of the PLQ Bowls show), Anthony Kiepe and Brett Wilkie. The Hawks in the end too good with a 68-59 win over the Magpies.

In the A Grade we saw a fantastic win by the Magpies, 89-72 winners over the Hawks on 2 rinks apiece. Don Fowler, Brad Woodland, John Titmarsh and Shane Kelsey's winning run came to an end when they met Reed Burgess and his troops, Kelsey going down 14-23 to Burgess. Trevor Broadbent had a great battle with the champion that is Mark Thatcher, the game being neck and neck the whole way with the Magpies holding a slight lead on the 17th end, but the hawks finished with a 3, 2, 2 and dropped a 1 to eventually get up 19-17. Jason Heath finished the season with a bang defeating Darren Christie 32-16, as did Andrew Thorrold, defeating the competition Top Skip Matt Bell 26-14. Well done to all the Magpies on an enjoyable year, we will be back!



** Charity round action at the Victoria Point home game. Great to see so many of the charity hats on display with players supporting the worthy cause*



ENOGGERA EAGLES def HAMILTON POWER 58—43

BY BRAD HARRIS

Premier Grade

The Eagles got off to a mixed start with Aaron Teys jumping out to a 7-1 lead after 5 ends against Brendon Egan, but it was the Eagles who took control winning the next 7 ends to lead 11-7 after 12. The Power managed to halt the run winning the 13th end to trail 9-11 but from there the Eagles won 6 of the last 9 ends for a comfortable 21-14 win. It was the same start on Jimmy Anderson's rink down 1-6 after six before winning 7 of the next 9 ends against Jeremy Henry to lead 14-7 after 14 ends. The power came home winning 5 of the last 7 ends but the eagles claimed their 2nd rink win 18-15. Nic Gosley was looking to continue his winning form against Shannon McIlroy and the battle was tight and trailed 10-11 after 14 ends. It was from there the boys picked up 8 shots over the next 4 ends to lead 19-12 after 19. The power won the last 2 ends but the Eagles claimed their 3rd rink of the afternoon and finished the day 58-43 winners over the side tipped to finish in the top 2.

Seven wins most years would see you playing finals but the Eagles miss out on rinks over the power and will finish a very creditable 6th.

Premier A

The Eagles made a very slow start against the power down 19-34 after 32 ends, the power continued to play well and at the half way mark lead 51-25. The Eagles made some position changes across 2 of their rinks, this seemed to change the momentum of the match and the Eagles started pegging back the 26 shot deficit. Leading Eagles Skip Rod Dixon's team won 9 of the last 12 ends to win 22-15, Daryl Weymouth came from 8-2 up to 8-15 down then to finish strong to record a 19-19 draw. Ester Regan's side battled and trailed 3-13 also before making a few positional changes began the fight back to just go down 16-20. Maria Rigby also battled early against Wally Schmidt down 3-11 before moving Mitchell Mears to skip and some great bowls by Mitchell saw the team fight back for a very good 15 all Draw.

So the Eagles share 2 rinks each and had the final margin of a 72-69 win for a 4th place finish and will now meet the Kawana Thunder in the knockout game at Helensvale in 2 weeks time.

What a great night for bowls at Pine Rivers on Saturday night. The quality of the matches was quite superb as Tweed Heads arrived with not too much to play for other than pride and both Pine Rivers teams had everything to play for.

In the Premier grade, Pine Rivers were once again slow out of the blocks, however this was partially due to Tweed coming out with all guns blazing and after 18 ends Tweed were 23-10 in front, thanks mainly to Wayne Turley's rink who were 11-0 up on Steven Tong's rink. Slowly but surely the Pine teams got into gear and closed things right up and in fact hit the front after 36 ends to lead 35-33. From there it was to and fro right throughout with the lead changing hands on several occasions and some fantastic bowls being played. One of the stars for Tweed was Leif Selby, who showed that he would still not look out of place in the green and gold at Broad Beach in a few weeks' time. On numerous occasions with his side down on the head against Robbie Wilds rink he showed his class to rescue things for his team. Things stayed extremely tight and with just 3 ends to go on each rink Tweed had their noses in front by one 50-49, but this is where Pine have really shown some great composure and real grit during the season and they did it again scoring 18 shots to 4 over the final nine ends to claim the victory and top spot on the ladder. It was a credit to the Pine team that they got up on all three rinks, especially for Steven Tong and Aaron Hewson's side who had to stage good comebacks to get up.

The reserve grade was another absolute thriller with things very tight all the way through. The lead changed hands on numerous occasions in this match as well and in the end it came down to the very last bowl of the match. Richard Gascoigne had the last bowl for Pine Rivers against Wayne Watson's team with Pine leading by one on the master board. Richard was one down on the head and played a "bomb" to trail the jack for two and secure a crucial win for his side.

Certainly was a great night for Pine Rivers with both sides finishing section play on top of the ladder.

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Thanks to all our wonderful club contributors this year for submitting your reports and photos. Also thanks to Sean Baker for your tireless efforts in getting the results and ladders out to all our keen and eager followers!

2018 definitely proved to be another successful season with the biggest weekend of the year set to end in a spectacular showdown of the best of the best.

Don't miss a minute of the action unfold -

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PLQ GRAND FINAL WEEKEND

SATURDAY 17TH - 12PM START

SUNDAY 18TH - 9AM START

Good luck to all our worthy finalists - may the best teams win!



* Newsletter compiled by Lynsey Clarke on behalf of Club Helensvale *

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