

Men's Pairs

With 32 player's taking part, split into 16 pairs for this years GDA Men's event, it was going to prove tough from the outset. Played in a best of 5 / 701 long format it gives



Losing finalists (right): Amos Bosano / Justin Broton
Winners (left): Henry Zapata / Dylan Duo

both the weaker & stronger pairs a good chance of achieving high scoring games and really prove themselves on the dartboard.

Upsets came early on in the 1st round from partnering brothers King (*Jimmy & Alfred - long standing veterans*) seeing off hot favourites George Federico & Francis Taylor.

The field wide open and anybody's game, aspiring young players such as Barry McLaren & partner Stefan Federico gave it

their all but eventually fell short of the mark in the quarters. In that same group, Dylan Duo & Henry Zapata, proceeded quite comfortably and reached the final.

This time around International partners (*Justin Broton & Dylan Duo*) split up to play with their local partners (*Amos Bosano & Henry Zapata respectively*) and it paid off as it appears no matter what they are destined to reach finals in pairs events whether together or against each other.

Amos who has been struggling this year put everything behind him and deservedly earned "*Man of the Match*" as he played exceptionally well and held it together all night accompanying partner Justin throw for throw. A long ambition for both players who since they where 15 years of age started playing together and have missed out on the coveted trophy on no less than 3 occasions but both aspire to win it some day.

The final would have seemed like a one sided affair for Dylan & Henry but both Justin & Amos had come from a tough group that evening defeating strong opposition (*Alan Kimberley & Dayle Ramirez, George Ramos & Eric Segui, Jimmy King & Alfred King*). No stroll in the park so they had no intention of folding in the final.

As expected it was a hard fought first leg however that went Dylan & Henry's way. Levelling the score at 1 -1 (*including a 180 by Justin and clinical finishing by Amos*) gave way for the 3rd leg which was swiftly taken by Dylan and Henry to make it 2 - 1. The fourth leg was a cracker with Amos & Justin completing the 701 leg in 22 darts (32 avg) making the score 2 a piece.

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Then came the final deciding leg; Dylan started off, didn't capitalise but neither did Justin on their 1st throw for the most important leg of the evening. The game continued and both Dylan & Henry showed class by outscoring both Justin & Amos. In the end after several shots Henry took out the double leaving his opponents on a respectable 124 out-shot.

Well done to this years GDA - Men's Pairs Champions, Henry Zapata & Dylan Duo, worthy winners and good luck in the World Cup!

Here are the quarterfinals to the final line-up:

QuarterFinals	SemiFinals	Final	Winner
D.Duo / H.Zapata (3) J.Chipol / D.Parody (1)	D.Duo / H.Zapata (3)	D.Duo / H.Zapata (3)	
S.Federico / B.McLaren (1) J.Stagno / D.Peach (3)	J.Stagno / D.Peach (1)		
M.Asquez / C.Asquez (2) J.King / A.King (3)	J.King / A.King (0)		D.Duo / H.Zapata
J.Broton / A.Bosano (3) E.Segui / G.Ramos (1)	J.Broton / A.Bosano (3)	J.Broton / A.Bosano (2)	

180's thrown on the night
2 x Justin Broton, 1 x Eric Segui

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