

PEDRESA 180 & SUPERSTARS COMPETITIONS

Both events are the warm up competitions which are hosted together with the presentation awards ceremony and are traditional inclusions. The evening started off with the 45 members who had scored 180's during the season whether in the league, knockout cup or competitions. The traditional "Pedresa 180 Challenge".



Pedresa Winner
Francis Taylor

Youth player, Karl Mena, set the mood by hitting the 1st 180 of the evening and only 8 players achieved in 9 darts a score of 180 or more and so progressed to the 2nd round of the competition.

In the 2nd round the player who achieves the highest score in 9 darts is declared the winner. It was Francis Taylor who took the Pedresa 180 Challenge with a score of 220.

Then came the Superstars competition (*Graham Parker Trophy*), which contested the top 8 seeded players in

Gibraltar. Played in a knockout format: best of 5 up to the final which was played best of 7 legs. Francis Taylor (4) vs Danny Peach (5), Henry Zapata (3) vs Justin Broton (6), Dylan Duo (2) vs George Ramos (7), Dyson Parody (1) vs Alfred King (8).



Superstars (Graham Parker Trophy)

Dyson Parody (left) presented by GDA President - Justin Broton

This event which holds most of the razzmatazz of televised events which we see on Sky Sports (*with the walk on music, MC & the score keeping using projectors*), something that one would only expect for professionals to pull off but not in Gibraltar as we try to overemphasize every competitions importance to prepare our own dart players for the limelight & pressure experienced at international events.

Francis Taylor, Justin Broton, Dylan Duo & Dyson Parody went through to the semi-finals.

Justin Broton played Dylan Duo in the 1st semi-final and although it was laid on a plate could not capitalise on the 2nd leg to go 2-0 up. After that Dylan didn't pardon Justin's mistakes and he won 3-1. The other semi-final was between Francis Taylor against Dyson Parody. Dyson this time around got the better of Francis and achieved a comfortable win 3-0 to earn his place in the final.

A dartsing final was to be expected with the two young characters of the game (seeds 1 & 2) ready and willing to put up a show for all those present. The final was mostly fast & furious coupled with probably the best counters of the game that might ever be seen in Gibraltar meant that all the right shots where played at the right times.

Contested all the way to the final leg at 3 a piece, Dyson had no option with 90 left on his side of the scoreboard to go the unconventional way of 20, 20 & the Bullseye (*traditional way is Treble 18, Double 18*). Nonetheless unconventional or not, it meant that he maximised his odds to win the match there and then. Dylan having tried the exact same outshot a few legs back simply shows the closeness of the game throughout the final. It was the right choice for Dyson with Dylan close to a double himself.

Well done to all the players that participated for contributing to a great night and congratulations to the winner Dyson Parody.

Here are the 1st round to the final line-up:

Top "8" – 1 st Round	Semi-Finals	Final	Winner
Danny Peach (1) Francis Taylor (3)	Dyson Parody (3)	Dyson Parody (4)	
Justin Broton (3) Henry Zapata (2)	Francis Taylor (0)		
Alfred King (1) Dyson Parody (3)	Dylan Duo (3)		Dyson Parody
George Ramos (0) Dylan Duo (3)	Justin Broton (1)	Dylan Duo (3)	

Officially recorded 180's thrown on the night

1 x Karl Mena, 1 x Francis Taylor, 1 x Dylan Duo, 1 x Justin Broton

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Other News

We have 1 place on offer for the Winmau & world pro playoffs, see below:

Details:

Tuesday 14th August 2007.

At College Cosmos.

Registration closes at 8pm.

Entrance fee will be £10.00.

Winmau is November 14th to November 19th 2007 (Bridlington - UK)

Conditions:

Already qualified players cannot enter the event.

No youths.

No player with outstanding penalties.

You will have to fund your own way and attain your own sponsors.

£200 deposit payable 1 week after the event as flights need to be booked very early so that they are cost effective.

You have all the details if you win and cancel later on you will thereafter lose the £200 deposit.

If you have no intentions of going please do not enter to spoil the chances of people that are serious about going.

Other Info.:

We still have a 50th year anniversary Gala Dinner (24th November 07) & other expenses, including the 14 players which we have sent outside Gibraltar so the **Winmau Qualifier unfortunately cannot be funded by the GDA so he must pay his own way.**