

GEORGE FEDERICO WINS GREEK OPEN 2007

Straight after the recent success of overall Silver in the Mediterranean Cup VIII Games, George claimed the Greek Open title.



Amongst the mix of players where the top 8 players of Cyprus, Bulgaria, Greece, Malta, Italy, France & Gibraltar also furthered by other players from around Europe including UK players.

All opponents fell to an impressive performance put on by George Federico throughout the event.

Outscoring opponents on every level with 4 180's scored in the quarter and semi-finals, all legs where between 11 and 15 darts (39 average per dart thrown), from his first foot on the oche since early morning at 10:30am up to the final at 6:30pm. All his games where tough but no one could touch him, it was just his day!

An early tip-off was made by the GDA President who was reporting back to local media on the final results of the Med Cup (*after just 2 rounds of play of the Greek Open*). He sent to press a statement that George Federico was the man to beat, needless to say that George didn't disappoint the president as he continued to throw darts as if he where a long standing world champion. The Gibraltar Darts Association gives him full accreditation as an ambassador to the sport.

His opponents in the latter stages of the event:

Quarterfinal: Stathis Pantelidis (*Greece Rank 2*), semi-final: John Michael (*Greece Rank 1*), final: Andreas Laos (*losing finalist - Cyprus Rank 1*), winner: George Federico (*Gibraltar*).

Recent international successes is just re-enforcing the fact that Gibraltar although small and outnumbered that it's not size but quality & experience that matters. Gibraltar has a firm foothold locally & now internationally with the sport of darts and with continued support from the locals, sponsors and the Government (*which we keep receiving*), there is only one way we can go and that is up.

50 years since the foundation of the Gibraltar Darts Association is proving to be a very special year indeed.