

GDA (TEAMS OF 4 EVENT)

The latest edition of darts on “*The Rock*” featured five local & two Spanish “*x-pats*” teams (*The Benalmadena & District Darts League*).

The Team of 4 competition is primarily an event to prepare our Gibraltar Mediterranean Cup squad & the World Cup squad.

Since its conception a few years ago it has gone from strength to strength and it is leading to be an established event in the GDA calendar. Simply because of the excellent responses we receive from abroad, making it a unique & challenging event.



GROUP A GAMES & RESULTS				
Benalmadena 'A'	9	vs	1	College Cosmos
St. Joseph's	6	vs	9	½ World Cup
½ World Cup	7	vs	9	College Cosmos
St. Joseph's	6	vs	9	Benalmadena 'A'
Benalmadena 'A'	9	vs	5	½ World Cup
St. Joseph's	9	vs	3	College Cosmos

GROUP B GAMES & RESULTS				
Mediterranean	9	vs	2	Benalmadena 'B'
Kronenbourg 1664	2	vs	9	Mediterranean Cup
Benalmadena 'B'	9	vs	2	Kronenbourg 1664

Teams battle it out as it would be played internationally at the Med Cup, European Cup & World Cup. This is very beneficial for local players to get an in-depth feel of how things are run, to familiarize with the format of play and most importantly to enforce the strategy of “*practice as you play*”.

due to work and other commitments 2 players couldn't make the event) the Gibraltar selections where set to go and prove why they are the top players who will represent Gibraltar.

Two groups where drawn at random and they then played in a round robin format, single legs and the team 1st to nine wins the match and a point.

The Med Cup squad fell into the smaller and easier group, unlike the World Cup squad where Dylan Duo & Henry Zapata plus two Benalmadena recruits to the squad tried their best to qualify for the semi-finals.

With a full Mediterranean Cup squad and ½ a World Cup squad

GROUP 1 FINAL POINTS TABLE

	P	W	L	F	A	±	P T S	P O S
Benalmadena 'A'	3	3	0	27	12	15	3	1
St. Joseph's	3	1	2	21	21	0	1	2
½ World Cup	3	1	2	21	24	-3	1	3
College Cosmos	3	1	2	13	25	-12	1	4

GROUP 2 FINAL POINTS TABLE

	P	W	L	F	A	±	P T S	P O S
Mediterranean Cup	2	2	0	18	4	14	2	1
Benalmadena 'B'	2	0	2	4	18	-14	0	2
Kronenbourg 1664	2	1	1	11	11	0	1	3

Unfortunately they fell short of the mark by a marginally -3 leg difference. Unlucky guys and well done for trying your best!

The semi-finals were contested between *St. Joseph's* and the *Med Cup* squad (*Justin Broton, George Federico, Francis Taylor, George Ramos*). The other semi-final was between *Benalmadena 'A'* against *Benalmadena 'B'* which guaranteed them a team in the final.

The *Med Cup* squad and *Benalmadena 'A'* showed superiority and both comfortably reached the final with wins of 9-2 & 9-3 respectively.

The final started off and at one point both teams were level on points at 2-2 but the *Med Cup* squad through hard closely battled legs just managed to continually increase their lead to make it 7-2 in their favour.

A last push saw the *Benalmadena 'A'* team gain another point but it was too late and the *Med Cup* squad won the event 9-3.

All in all a great competition and the GDA would like to extend its appreciation to our sponsors and international links (*friends*) who continually support us in every way they can.

Let's hope we can return the favour and get some local teams to travel to Benalmadena and we can have some fun on their home turf.