

## 2011 Church of England Billiards Match Report

Grand Final                      Played at North Brighton 8<sup>th</sup> July

Nth Brighton                                      v                                      Yarraville

Result                      Yarraville def Nth Brighton                      3 - 0

### Match Report

#### **Tex Partridge & Darrin McCann**

Darrin on handicaps gave Tex 100 points start Darrin started strongly with Tex missing early opportunities and gave his opponent many chances to score.

Darrin was quick out of the blocks and continued to score high teen breaks with some big cannons to get position Tex tried to get in the match however Darrin played too well and with a strong 26 break late in the match , eventually winning by 36 points

On Table 1 Colin Fawkner & Tony Chetcuti were locked in an intriguing contest with Colin receiving 20 start. Both players were not being rushed with their shot selection both seemed very cautious of their opponent's ability. However Tony soon started to score with some great shots and with breaks of 21 & 23 soon caught Colin who could not get going on his favourite table With Tony winning by 38 points

Jacob Streiff & Peter Politis were the next table underway with Jacob receiving 30 start Both players seemed a little nervous at the beginning however Peter starting scoring consistently after one or two visits at the table with many high teen breaks started drawing away from Jacob who seemed to be mesmerised with Peter stoke play. Peter's positioning was near perfect and with mechanical precision continued to score heavily Jacob struggled to score and just missed crucial shots by the narrowest of margins Jacob was unable to stem the flow of scoring by playing some nice safety on Peter who was able to make some remarkable shots to continue his time at the table. Late in the match Jacob started to play with a lot more confidence and with some great potting of the red ball and positional play threatened to put together a big break to get back in the match. Peter responded with the highest break of the night to put the match out of Jacobs reach when Billiards was called Yarraville had a unassailable lead

Errol Astodemou & Henry Chetcuti Errol on handicaps received a 100 start from Henry. Errol had a relatively slow start however Henry was most consistent early and was catching his opponent . Errol to his credit with some amazing screw shots and strong potting kept himself in the game. When the match was called off Errol was leading by some 10 points after Henry had caught him around the 240 mark at this stage Yarraville had a 3 nil advantage

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