



Whitley Bay & Cullercoats Darts League

Season 2018 - 2019

23rd November 2018

Results - Week 09				POS		Table - Week 09						P	W	D	L	F/A	Pts
1	Seahorse B <i>180 x2 Alan Davie, 180 Ian Gleeson</i>	12 - 0	WLSC - A	1	→	Victoria	9	9	0	0	71	89.5					
2	Tynemouth Club <i>180 Tommy Charlton, 72co Craig Williamson, 17dl Gary Wallace, 171 Michael Wood</i>	1.5 - 10.5	Victoria	2	→	Seahorse B	9	9	0	0	66	87					
3	WLSC - B <i>180 Chris Matthews & Mattie Richardson</i>	5 - 7	Marden Club	3	→	Whitley Lodge Snooker Club B	9	7	0	2	45	76.5					
4	Border Terrier	4 - 8	Phoenix Tap - A	4	→	Marden Club	9	6	0	3	22	65					
5	Phoenix Tap - B	2 - 10	Red Lion	5	→	Phoenix Tap A	9	5	1	3	21	64.5					
6	Fat Ox	3 - 9	Grey Horse	6	↑	Grey Horse	9	6	1	2	7	57.5					
7	Blue Bell	6 - 6	Seahorse A	7	↓	Border Terrier	9	5	0	4	-1	53.5					
				8	↑	Red Lion	9	2	3	4	-13	47.5					
				9	↓	Tynemouth Club	9	3	1	5	-15	46.5					
				10	↑	Blue Bell	9	2	1	6	-24	42					
				11	↓	Fat Ox	9	1	1	7	-27	40.5					
				12	↓	Whitley Lodge Snooker Club A	9	2	2	5	-29	39.5					
				13	→	Seahorse A	9	0	1	8	-47	30.5					
				14	→	Phoenix Tap B	9	0	1	8	-76	16					

Week 9 saw the regular league resume after the Three a sides last week and second placed Seahorse B wasted no time in ramping up the pressure on the leaders with a full house result against Whitley Lodge Snooker Club A. High Scoring is always a feature of the Seahorse B games but Alan Davie was on fire and included 2 maximums with Gleeo also hitting the treble lipstick. Always gracious in defeat Kev Birkett noted that the Lodge A lads had not actually had a double opportunity in any of the 12 games so that shows how dominant the home team were.

The Victoria certainly look up to the task of handling the pressure from the chasing pack with an excellent display away to Tynemouth Club which maintains a 1.5 gap at the top. Super darts all night long with Michael Wood leading the way with a 171 and despite a 3rd maximum of the season from Tommy Charlton. If they can keep this up it will make the 11th January meeting between the top two pivotal towards the second half of the season. Marden Club gave Whitley Lodge B a bloody nose and took the win by two points in another high scoring game. Chris Matthews keeps up his excellent darts with him also hitting his 3rd maximum of the season so far but when Marden get their settled six out they are still a force with Mattie Richardson on the maximums and Nev Pratt demonstrating that he's right back on his game following last week competition win.

The Border Terrier are struggling to maintain their early form and this week dropped a further place as they went down to the visiting Phoenix Tap A. To be fair the Tap A are in good form and are never easy to play so a close game could have been different if doubles had been hit. There were reports of some confusion over what time the teams need to be drawn with the visitors apparently overly pressured to name their team ahead of all players being in the present in the venue. There is no rule for this save that all games should commence no later than 08.30pm so the draw itself needs to occur in time to support that rule.

The Phoenix Tap B proved they are brilliant hosts even if the went down to a heavy defeat imposed on them by The Red Lion. A good game throughout with the score line slightly flattering the visitors but The Tap B boys did not take the chances they were given so got what they deserved out of the game. They may be bottom but the lads and the venue is spot on and the management are fantastic supporters of local darts. The Grey Horse won comfortably away to the Fat Ox and the results card shows some excellent scoring from them with Alan Barrass reminding us all what a good player he is as he returns to form following a recent spell of poor health. Rob Doherty and Spanner taking important singles points for the home team but it's not enough to stop them dropping down the table.

A well fought draw closes out this weeks report as The Blue Bell hosted The Seahorse A. David Beaney and Charlie Robson continue good their individual form for The Blue Bell. The Seahorse A were fielding new emergency signings after a recent plea for players following several who have quit that team. Thanks go to James Ankers for transferring from The Red Lion to help out but a word of appreciation for Adam Weldon who shows what proper Captancy is all about by immediately droppong himself and playing the new blood to show that he has the team and the league at heart. Well done that man.