

SOUTH TWEED SHARKS - PREMIER LEAGUE QUEENSLAND BOWLS

Round 1 (6/1/2018) – South Tweed Sharks v. Greenslopes Geckos

Premier Grade

South Tweed Sharks 55 lost to Greenslopes Geckos 65

K. Kerkow 20 d. N. George 18; S. Glasson 18 lost to C. Ryan 27; W. Wilson 17 lost to M. Turner 20

As dusk turned into night the persistent nocturnal Geckos awakened to defeat the Sharks 2 rinks to 1. The Geckos team skipped by Chris Ryan got the better of Sharks Steve Glasson's team by 9 shots. This game was all even at the 15th end but Geckos powered home in the last few ends to score a comfortable win. Christine Baxter as second for the Geckos played very well helping to set up the win. Michael Turner won the battle of the greenkeeper's teams with a 3 shot win over Wayne Wilson – the Sharks were down early but fought back to be 17/17 with one end to go but the Geckos scored 3 to take the match. Best performed Sharks team was skipped by Kelvin Kerkow (now an official bowls legend courtesy of a recent Bowls Australia award - congratulations Kelvin). Lead John Bain and third Scott De Jongh played well to contribute to another close result, a 2 shot win over the Geckos Nick George's team. Overall a very strong performance by the Geckos who seem to have the formula to knock over the Sharks in the first game of the season. An early defeat is not unusual for the Sharks, but they need to regroup quickly and bounce back strongly against Belmont tomorrow morning.

A Grade

South Tweed Sharks 97 d. Greenslopes Geckos 69

N. Smith 26 d. T. Robertson 23; B. Cornehl 20 d. J. Rafton 17;

G. Shillington 29 d. D. Cooke 14; C. Bailey 22 d. G. Renowden 15

The Sharks Premier A teams had a dominant overall win against the Geckos, 4 rinks to nil. All Sharks rinks, made early gains to set up the wins and big scores on many ends on some of the rinks were a feature of the night. Shillo made some brilliant conversions turning the game in the Sharks favour, ending up with the best winning margin of 13 shots. New players, Bob Hynes, Lance Watson and Tony Bonnell settled in well and made valuable contributions in their games. Nigel Smith scored a close win over Tony Robertson by 3 shots. Clinton Bailey skipped his team well, holding comfortable margins during the game to claim a solid 7 shot win. The 4th rink was a tightly contested game, but our Bowls Coordinator Bill Cornehl and team hung in to win by 3 shots to put the icing on the cake! Well done Sharks.

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