



Welling A suffered their second straight defeat, and saw the lead at the head of Division One reduced to just a single point.

Matt Finch (26.56)

4-1

Will Blackwell (23.44)

Wood Green opened up the night's play and took the opening contest. After Blackwell held in the first leg, Finch then took control and reeled off four on the spin. A maximum in leg three set Finch up for a potential 13 darter, but four more were required. He dominated the next and then controlled leg five from the off to break the Blackwell throw for a second time and gain the win.

Stuart Pickles (25.27)

2-4

Dean Coughlan (27.46)

Coughlan is one of those unpredictable players, you're never sure what you might get. Sometimes he doesn't produce what we know he can, but equally he is also capable of turning in a performance which would beat whoever was in put in front of him. This display would definitely be placed in the latter category. Pickles certainly contributed to a fine match, no more so than taking the opening leg in sparkling style with a 14 darter. The next three legs all went with throw, and the match was finely poised at two each. Coughlan then carried on in the rich scoring vein, breaking Pickles in the fifth. That was merely an appetiser, as Coughlan then destroyed Pickles in leg six. A maximum was the foundation of a simply brilliant 13 dart leg to close out the match which will do wonders for his confidence.

Gary Middleton (22.24)

4-3

Richard Elms (22.88)

The third contest was the only one that needed the full complement of seven legs. Elms took the early exchanges, notching up a two nil lead. He should have extended that but a scrappy third leg was eventually claimed against the head by Middleton. Parity was restored and it was looking hard to call the winner. Elms nudged back ahead in the fifth but again Middleton dug deep, holding in leg six. Elms was still favourite, but crucially Middleton hit the big scores at the right time and walked away with the win in a hard fought encounter.

Craig de Almeida (22.30)

1-4

Nick Cocks (25.05)

Cocks was first to strike, quickly breaking to take the first leg and then holding the next on the back of a maximum. De Almeida did stage a brief comeback, pocketing leg three, but Cocks quickly restored the two leg lead before closing it out in the fifth as de Almeida missed chances to take the game into a sixth leg.

George Killington (26.03)

4-0

Lee Cocks (23.93)

With the overall match evenly poised at two all, the fifth game looked to be a mouth watering prospect, pitting head to head the last two winners of the Super League averages. It didn't turn out that way however. Killington laid down a marker with a superb 13 darter to break the Cocks' throw in the first leg and then found himself three nil ahead courtesy of more solid scoring in and around the treble 20. The advantage was then clinically rammed home in leg four as Killington ended in grand fashion, cracking home a sublime 116 finish to put Wood Green back in front.

John McDermott (26.28)

4-1

Freddie Box (22.80)

Wood Green then sent Welling B to a second straight defeat with a win in the penultimate game. Box was looking to send it all the way, and a sketchy opening leg saw him get the early break. From that point on though, McDermott started to find the trebles with an ease and regularity which his opponent was unable to match. The break was immediately returned, and McDermott added another for good measure in the fourth taking out 76 before completing the job in leg five.

Paul Killington (22.65)

1-4

David Wawrzewski (25.56)

Welling A did have the final word, getting a point which may prove crucial in the latter weeks of the campaign. The game followed a similar pattern to the one before, but with the roles reversed. This time, it was Killington who got the break in the first leg of the match. After that Wawrzewski unleashed the "Polish Power" with a sustained burst of scoring allied with some crisp finishing. A 68 was enough to get him in front in the third leg, and he carried on the good work taking the next two to keep the winning margin for Wood Green to only the one point.

Despite the two defeats, Welling A are still a point clear at the top, with both Romford A and Woolwich Ferry snapping at their heels. They will be seeking to avoid a hat trick of losses, with Lewisham paying them a visit. Wood Green are only four points off the pace themselves and square off at Plumstead who share fourth place with them.