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C GRADE

Semi-Final

Geckos **4 • 6** Tricky Balls
Superheroes **6 • 3** Superheroes

Match Report

Superheroes have thrashed the *Giants* to jump into the season grand finale, full of confidence on Wednesday night. After an average month in performance against the best of C Grade, **Russell Williams** rediscovered his early season form to earn all three singles wins, including an important scalp of **Luigi Lovato**. It was a blistering start for the *Superheroes*, who won the first four rubbers before Luigi clinched his team's first in the fifth contest against **Jayden Ma** (*Superheroes*). The momentum started to shift when the *Giants* snagged the second doubles, but it would be Jayden who had the honour of closing out the match with a four-game win over **Patti Brown**.

In the other semi-final, *Tricky Balls* caused a massive upset when they edged the top team, *Geckos*. An in-form **Geni O'Brien** made sure her team got themselves in the best possible position with three singles wins. **Ann Webb** did her best to lead the *Geckos*, in the absence of **Leeam Milne**. She extended the night with a thrilling victory over **Sujata Timilsina**, 8-11, 5-11, 11-7, 11-4, 11-5. In the end, it was not enough as the *Tricky Balls* now have the opportunity to fight for the team trophy in a week's time.

Grand Final

There is only one more match of the season for C Grade (29th November, Wednesday at 7pm). *Superheroes* appear to be strong contenders in the final, however, *Tricky Balls* have the opportunity to claim back-to-back upsets.

Individual Ladder

Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber
	W	L	F	A	W %
Leeam Milne	38	4	119	35	90.48
Russell Williams	38	7	109	40	84.44
Geni O'Brien	35	4	109	33	89.74
Luigi Lovato	34	11	116	56	75.56
Jimmy Hee	30	12	105	52	71.43
Jayden Ma	28	14	96	62	66.67
Ted Jones	22	17	83	73	56.41
David Lee	22	23	91	83	48.89
Trevor Burke	17	12	58	50	58.62
Kim Sin	15	18	62	64	45.45
Steve Beelitz	13	29	57	107	30.95
Ming	11	13	44	52	45.83
Simon Koefoed	9	6	32	21	60.00
Plato Sin	9	21	44	66	30.00
Debashis Paul	8	10	33	35	44.44
Beina Liu	8	28	35	93	22.22
Sujata Timilsina	7	14	32	48	33.33
J O'Bryan-Keenan	7	35	35	111	16.67
Jimmy Tan	6	18	35	55	25.00
Patti Brown	6	33	30	106	15.38
Michael	5	1	15	5	83.33
Ann Webb	5	1	15	7	83.33
Graeme Perkins	5	1	15	8	83.33
Shi Zhuang Lu	5	4	18	17	55.56
Li Hua	4	2	15	8	66.67
Lazhar	3	0	9	0	100.00
Roger Curtis	3	6	14	19	33.33
Rodney Hee	2	1	8	3	66.67
Jackson	2	3	10	11	40.00
Ram Phuyal	2	4	9	15	33.33
Leo Timm	1	8	3	26	11.11
Karen Burke	1	17	6	52	5.56
Emma Guo	0	3	2	9	0.00
Pearl	0	3	2	9	0.00
Douglas Sokoll	0	6	2	18	0.00
Nelson Lee	0	9	1	27	0.00
Faye	0	3	0	9	0.00

Team Ladder

Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
Geckos	12	3	97	68	329	240	137
Superheroes	11	4	95	70	302	255	118
Giants	8	7	89	76	287	288	100
Tricky Balls	6	9	80	85	280	269	104
Oakwood	4	11	75	90	275	295	93
Supervillains	3	12	59	106	218	334	65

Legend

W = Win; L = Loss; F = For; A = Against; % = Percentage

B GRADE

Semi-Final

Golden Gods **3 • 6** Little Worms

Geckos **6 • 2** Tigers

Match Report

As the heavy favourites for the season ending trophy, the *Geckos* executed a near-flawless game plan to dismantle the *Tigers* in the first of the two B Grade semi-finals. **Shubham Chand** was especially ruthless in his surprise dominant victory over nemesis **Michael Ndukwe**, besting him in straight sets in the opener. In the seventh rubber, **Jackson Ma** (*Geckos*) demonstrated his improved game when he overpowered **Richard Lees** in a pivotal clash. After the *Geckos* cleared the second doubles, there was no hope of a comeback for Michael's men.

Meanwhile, the fierce *Little Worms* team are surprised finalists after they secured the win over the undermanned *Golden Gods*. It was a horror end to the minor premiers' season, after they were without their talisman **Viqar Ali Khan**. **Rick Gibson** (*Gods*) ensured it was not going to be a cakewalk for the fourth-placed team, as he surpassed **Ryan Starkey** in a riveting opener, 6-11, 9-11, 16-14, 11-8, 11-8. Late in the match, **Paul Liu** (*Worms*) steadied the ship when he overcame a brave **Solomon Nwagor**, 11-2, 11-6, 8-11, 8-11, 12-10.

Grand Final

There is only one more match of the season for B Grade (29th November, Wednesday at 7pm). *Geckos* are looking quite solid and will be the heavy favourites to win over the *Little Worms*. Can lightning strike twice for the underdogs?

Individual Ladder

Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber W %
	W	L	F	A	
Ryan Starkey	41	4	128	25	91.11
Viqar Ali Khan	39	5	124	35	88.64
Shubham Chand	33	12	108	50	73.33
Michael Ndukwe	31	11	106	57	73.81
Andrew Barton	31	14	107	63	68.89
Robert Ho	29	13	99	62	69.05
Richard Lees	29	16	101	75	64.44
Rick Gibson	26	19	92	85	57.78
Dickson Lam	21	24	79	89	46.67
Jackson Ma	20	22	73	87	47.62
Kelvin On	20	25	88	93	44.44
John Langdon	17	19	69	64	47.22
Paul Liu	16	29	70	97	35.56
Khalid Khan	12	19	54	67	38.71
Subho Das	9	30	35	97	23.08
Solomon Nwagor	8	31	41	100	20.51
Roberto Marrone	7	14	28	46	33.33
Maricor Sarceda	6	3	19	15	66.67
Jonathan Briskin	4	29	25	91	12.12
Toby Koefoed	3	27	22	81	10.00
Antara Panchal	2	1	6	4	66.67
Lazhar	2	1	6	4	66.67
Paul	1	2	4	7	33.33
Russell Williams	0	6	4	18	0.00
Geni O'Brien	0	3	2	9	0.00
Graeme Perkins	0	3	2	9	0.00
Luigi Lovato	0	6	2	18	0.00

Team Ladder

Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
Golden Gods	12	3	91	74	304	267	114
Geckos	11	4	98	67	314	254	124
Tigers	7	7	83	81	290	293	99
Little Worms	6	9	78	87	283	263	108
Koedonho	5	10	68	97	246	308	80
Smashers	4	11	77	88	271	302	90

Legend

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A GRADE

Semi-Final

R-An-R **6 • 5** SBN

Tora Tora **6 • 4** TMS

Match Report

In a thrilling semi-final contest on Wednesday night, *R-An-R* outlasted *SBN* to qualify for the Grand Final. Finishing at 11:45pm, **Rodney Hee** powered his way past **Nick Pastrikos** to carry his team over the finish line. Earlier in the night, it was quite the event, as there were a number of enthralling contests that could have gone either way. One such clash was between Rod and **Sebastian Lai**. After veteran player Rodney had a blistering start, Sebastian showed his fighting qualities to come back, 9-11, 8-11, 11-8, 11-8, 11-9. In the end, it was the doubles that got *R-An-R* in an advantageous position. It was especially important in the second doubles, when it was **Antara Panchal** who held her nerve to produce a stunning comeback from a game down with Rodney to win and set up the match victory.

In the other semi, *Tora Tora* stormed home to seal their place in the final, thanks to a victory over a competitive *TMS*. After an initial struggle, **Elfrida Kalich** piloted her team to the victory when she outclassed **Shino Joy** in the tenth singles rubber. The decisive contest came in the sixth rubber between heavyweights **Julian Payares** (*Tora Tora*) and **Martin Feng**. It was a topsy-turvy battle throughout this entire encounter. In the fifth game, neither player yielded until the last few points of the clash, when Martin dropped his serve at a crucial time and Julian seizing the opportunity to win, 6-11, 11-6, 11-6, 14-16, 14-12.

Grand Final

There is only one more match of the season for A Grade (29th November, Wednesday at 7pm). Head-to-head: *Tora Tora* leads *R-An-R* 2-1, with all three previous encounters going 6-5! Expect this contest to go down to the wire!

Individual Ladder

Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber W %
	W	L	F	A	
Rodney Hee	33	6	106	34	84.62
Tom Randle	27	6	89	38	81.82
Julian Payares	22	5	73	39	81.48
Renee Li	22	14	78	59	61.11
Martin Feng	22	14	78	60	61.11
Elfrida Kalich	21	6	72	29	77.78
Sebastian Lai	21	9	75	41	70.00
Brodrick On	17	19	70	71	47.22
John Pudney	15	15	62	50	50.00
Shino Joy	11	25	46	86	30.56
Nick Pastrikos	10	23	40	74	30.30
Steven Burlinson	10	26	47	84	27.78
Christian Abendon	9	0	27	3	100.00
Joe Abrantes	8	16	32	53	33.33
Antara Panchal	6	33	31	104	15.38
Sonny	4	2	13	7	66.67
Jonathan Tong	3	0	9	0	100.00
Michael Ndukwe	3	6	12	20	33.33
Ploy	2	1	7	4	66.67
Martin Randle	1	2	3	7	33.33
Paul	1	11	13	33	8.33
Roland Chin	1	20	16	60	4.76

Team Ladder

Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
R-An-R	8	4	73	59	238	209	114
TMS	7	5	71	61	224	212	106
Tora Tora	7	5	66	66	219	214	102
SBN	4	8	61	71	197	221	89
Roadies	4	8	59	73	218	240	91

Legend

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