

# DARWIN TABLE TENNIS WEEKLY

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## Semi-final · Results

A Grade		
Void	6 · 1	Golden Pen Grippers
TAB 2	6 · 3	CDU

B Grade		
Dragonflies	6 · 5	Jabiroos
Mojo On	2 · 6	Kea

C Grade		
Sizzlers	6 · 1	Ring Ins
Grizzlies	4 · 6	Thunder

## Semi-final · Report

### A Grade

TAB 2 defied the odds and a 0-3 start to clinch the next six rubbers and seal an entertaining semi-finals victory over team *Charles Darwin University* on a humid Wednesday night. **Zakelli Xie** (TAB 2) was the star of the show, winning a couple of crucial singles rubbers, including a victory over **Renee Li** in the deciding contest, 12-10, 11-8, 11-8. Earlier, after having lost to **Graham Symons**, 12-10 in the fifth set, Zakelli responded spectacularly, defeating **TY Lee** for the first time, 11-13, 7-11, 11-7, 11-5, 11-9. In other notable matches for CDU, Renee edged **Eugene Laoc**, 11-9, 4-11, 7-11, 11-9, 11-7; while TY bested **TT Lee** in an all-sibling encounter, 9-11, 11-7, 4-11, 11-6, 11-4.

In the other semi, minor premiers Void cruised to a commanding 6-1 win over the *Golden Pen Grippers*, a re-match of their contest just only a week ago. This time though it was a slaughter as key rubber wins went in favour of the top side. **Martin Feng** (Void) has proven to excel at the pointy end of the season, and this semi-final was no different, as he blew away **Pedro Lay** in straight sets and also clinched the sixth rubber over **Jui Lark** 11-4, 11-13, 11-7, 11-9. **Junfei Chen** won his team's only rubber over **Brodrick On**, 13-11 in the fourth.

### B Grade

*Dragonflies* were pushed to the limit in their semi-final showing against the gallant *Jabiroos*, eventually prevailing in the decider with young gun **Jordan Lai** taking the honours over **Arion Magnoli**. It was a high-energy tussle, as the *Dragonflies* won both key doubles rubbers to get themselves in a favourable position, both going to three sets. **Rick Gibson** (*Dragonflies*) was the x-factor in this match, as he pulled off an impressive comeback against the in-form **Shino Joy**, 8-11, 5-11, 11-4, 11-3, 11-6. **Michael Yaxley** was the finest for the losing team, winning three singles that included a riveting contest with **Robert Ho**, 11-8, 11-8, 13-15, 9-11, 11-7.

In the other semi, *Kea* had the solutions to solve the *Mojo On* puzzle, 6-2. In the 8<sup>th</sup> rubber, **Viqar Ali Khan** and **Roy Anderson** combined to win the doubles, 11-7, 13-15, 11-9, ending the match. Earlier, Roy got one for his team when he found a way past the defensive **Mo Zhong**, 5-11, 14-12, 14-12, 6-11, 11-8. For the losing side, **Kelvin On** won his team's two rubbers, which included a thriller against **Katherine Pinzon**, 11-9, 8-11, 11-4, 9-11, 11-7.

### C Grade

*Thunder* caused a stir to upset the *Grizzlies* in a semi-final showdown on Table 6. **Garv Garg** was pivotal for *Thunder*, downing both **David Allen** (4-11, 9-11, 11-9, 14-12, 11-6) and **Rammani Phuyal** (7-11, 7-11, 13-11, 11-9, 11-7). **Luca Lobo** (*Thunder*) had showed his improvement this season with a couple of singles victories of his own.

Finally, *Sizzlers* rolled their way into the grand final after having blown away the *Ring Ins* in a one-sided semi-final contest. **John Juan** outgunned **Michael Calwell** to get his team home in a topsy-turvy encounter, 11-7, 9-11, 12-10, 6-11, 11-7. **Eric Catalbas** (*Ring Ins*) won his team's lone rubber, defeating **Peter Thomas** in straight sets.

# GRAND FINAL NIGHT PREVIEW

All Grades, Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020, from 7:30 pm

## A Grade

### Void v TAB 2

[Table 1 & 2]

*Head-to-head this season: 0-2; Last meeting: Round 8 – TAB 2 won 6-5*

The stage is set between two heavyweights, as the number one and two teams face off in a winner-takes-all grand finale on a Thursday evening. *Void* made quick work of the *Golden Pen Grippers*, with young star **Martin Feng** once again showing that he is indeed a finals giant killer, after taking down the individual runner-up **Pedro Lay** in the semis. Meanwhile, *TAB 2* overcame improbable odds to put away *CDU* in a thrilling comeback after having been 0-3 down. Interestingly, it is *TAB 2* who has had the positive record over *Void*, besting the minor premiers both times during the regular season. Will it be *Void* who finish as victors, or is it **TT Lee's TAB 2** who will spoil their party?

## B Grade

### Dragonflies v Kea

[Table 3 & 4]

*Head-to-head this season: 2-0; Last meeting: Round 7 – Dragonflies won 6-5*

B Grade's season will end with a contest between the dogged *Dragonflies* and the relentless *Kea*. *Dragonflies* endured a rigorous semi-final match that went down to the wire with the *Jabiroos*, while *Kea* ended *Mojo On's* run with a comprehensive match victory. *Dragonflies'* **Rick Gibson** starred in the semi-final win, and will be looking for a repeat performance in the final. *Kea's* **Viqar Ali Khan** showed resolve to get his team home, while rediscovering his vintage form in the semis.

## C Grade

### Sizzlers v Thunder

[Table 5 & 6]

*Head-to-head this season: 1-1; Last meeting: Round 6 – Thunder won 8-3*

And now we are down to two. This season's trailblazers, *Sizzlers*, up against the surprise package, *Thunder*. **Zac Howe's Sizzlers** were ruthless from start to finish when they decimated the *Ring Ins* in the semi-finals. It was a contrast to **Graeme Perkins' Thunder's** grinding victory over the *Grizzlies*. It is interesting to note it was *Thunder* who ended *Sizzlers'* five-match winning streak back in Round 6 and has been the only team to defeat them in the regular season.

# OPEN SATURDAYS!

The table tennis club will be opening up this Saturday afternoon, from 5-7 pm.

The hall will be open to the public, as well as our existing club members. Sessions cost \$10 per person, or \$20 per table (up to four players) per session. Current registered members do not need to pay anything further.

This would benefit those who would like additional practice as well as preparation for the grand finale.

The club's long-term goal is to provide table tennis sessions 7 days a week and we'll continue this Saturday afternoon.

See you there!



## A Grade Individual Ladder

Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber
	W	L	F	A	W %
TY Lee	25	2	76	19	92.59
Pedro Lay	24	6	80	30	80.00
TT Lee	22	8	73	39	73.33
John Pudney	21	3	67	24	87.50
Rodney Hee	21	9	74	46	70.00
Elfrida Kalich	19	8	68	28	70.37
Zakelli Xie	19	11	68	50	63.33
Brodrick On	15	12	59	48	55.56
Martin Feng	14	16	58	63	46.67
Graham Symons	12	9	46	38	57.14
Eugene Laoc	12	15	48	55	44.44
Joe Abrantes	12	15	48	60	44.44
Junfei Chen	10	20	44	72	33.33
Anhtai Lee	9	18	42	64	33.33
Renee Li	8	22	36	74	26.67
Jui Kai Lark	8	22	36	76	26.67
Steven Burlinson	6	24	37	80	20.00
Michael Yaxley	3	6	13	22	33.33
Robert Ho	3	9	15	31	25.00
Sebastian Lai	3	24	24	73	11.11
Ramez Mikhail	2	4	10	13	33.33
Shino Joy	2	4	8	16	33.33
Mo Zhong	0	3	1	9	0.00

## B Grade Individual Ladder

Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber
	W	L	F	A	W %
Robert Ho	26	4	85	28	86.67
Kelvin On	24	6	79	42	80.00
Michael Yaxley	23	7	76	42	76.67
Viqar Ali Khan	21	9	77	33	70.00
Shino Joy	20	10	69	43	66.67
Mo Zhong	19	11	66	47	63.33
Brandon Porter	18	6	62	29	75.00
Katherine Pinzon	18	12	67	47	60.00
Maricor Sarceda	13	5	42	26	72.22
Rick Gibson	12	15	50	55	44.44
Iian Stimson	11	13	44	49	45.83
Jordan Lai	10	20	41	70	33.33
Khalid Khan	9	3	30	13	75.00
Jeremie Langlois	9	9	37	34	50.00
Roy Anderson	8	13	35	45	38.10
Joseph Juan	7	17	32	58	29.17
Matt Schobben	6	12	23	40	33.33
Bo Remenyi	6	15	29	49	28.57
Michael Ndukwe	4	5	15	19	44.44
Arion Magnoli	4	26	24	83	13.33
Graham Kwong	1	2	6	6	33.33
Eric Catalbas	1	14	10	42	6.67
Christian Lai	0	30	10	90	0.00
Graeme Perkins	0	3	1	9	0.00

## C Grade Individual Ladder

Player	Rubber		Game		Rubber W %
	W	L	F	A	
Eric Catalbas	25	5	82	24	83.33
Jeremie Langlois	24	0	72	3	100.00
Zac Howe	24	6	78	33	77.78
Graeme Perkins	23	4	72	18	85.19
Steve Howe	20	10	65	38	66.67
John Juan	20	10	64	40	66.67
Joe Howe	19	8	65	31	70.37
Peter Thomas	14	10	49	36	58.33
Luca Lobo	14	10	50	40	58.33
David Allen	14	16	51	57	46.67
Michael Calwell	11	16	43	59	40.74
Tomas Zachar	10	14	38	49	41.67
Garv Garg	9	6	32	23	60.00
Dirk Botha	9	9	33	34	50.00
Rehan Palamattom	7	20	28	66	25.93
Tyler Tran	5	10	20	36	33.33
Amy Zhao	5	22	25	72	18.52
Rammani Phuyal	5	25	29	79	16.67
Sujata Timilsina	4	23	19	75	14.81
Alex Brachon	3	0	9	3	100.00
Margie Howe	3	9	13	31	25.00
Dallas Graetz	1	2	5	6	33.33
Zoe Perkins	1	26	12	80	3.70
Christine Marshall	0	3	3	9	0.00
Ashleigh McFarlane	0	3	2	9	0.00
Zac	0	3	0	9	0.00

## 2020 Season 2 Team Ladder

A Grade							
Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
Void	7	3	64	46	219	181	121
TAB 2	6	4	62	48	218	179	122
CDU	5	5	58	52	198	186	106
Pen Grippers	5	5	53	57	186	202	92
Benfica	4	6	50	60	190	205	93
Rainbow 6	3	7	43	67	169	227	74

B Grade							
Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
Dragonflies	9	1	62	48	208	166	125
Mojo On	7	3	64	46	208	184	113
Kea	6	4	61	49	225	162	139
Jabiroos	5	5	59	51	195	190	103
Giants	3	7	48	62	172	207	83
MIC	0	10	36	74	144	234	62

C Grade							
Team	Match		Rubber		Game		Game %
	W	L	W	L	F	A	
Sizzlers	9	1	68	42	224	148	151
Grizzlies	6	4	62	48	198	165	120
Thunder	4	6	53	57	175	187	94
Ring Ins	4	6	52	58	177	196	90
River Rats	4	6	48	62	171	201	85
3 Amigos	3	7	47	63	164	205	80

### Legend

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

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