



Kingfisher Grand Prix 2016 - Week 8 Results

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Week 8 brought 20 entries with one notable absentee: Daniel Moses.

In the last 16, Grand Prix Host, Rick Leachman notched up his first ever victory over Trevor Organ. Rick showed steady determination throughout, after taking the first leg 11-7, Trevor came back to take the second 7-11. Rick then took the next 11-6 but Trevor answered with 11-9. The final leg was a tight battle, but Rick finished ahead, 11-8. Another round 16 match that looked likely to go the distance took place between Krassi Ivanov and Joshua Gallen. Joshua took the first leg 11-9. Krassi came back with 11-7 and 11-9 and Johsua battled well, pulling off some fantastic shots, but in the end couldn't quite push it to 5 as Krassi took the 4th 11-9.

Elsewhere in the last 16, Yonatan Slobodskoy and training partner Joe Barraclough played one another with a close opening game 11-9 to Yonatan. He then took the 2nd leg 11-5. Joe was not to be put down easily and rallied to take the 3rd leg 11-5 but couldn't quite keep the momentum going in the 4th leg and went out 11-6.

Martin Adams was back this week and efficiently dispatched both Tony Reynolds and Yonatan on his route to the semi-final where he met Simon Vine. Simon put up a good fight, and after going down 6-11 and 8-11 in the first two, managed to take the third end 11-8 but Martin came back strong in the 4th 11-1.

Meanwhile, Hari Gehlot beat Harry Munro and Krassi Ivanov to secure his semi-final place. He then faced Trung Tran who started well and took the first two 12-10, 11-8. Hari then came back in the next two 11-4, 11-7 and kept it going in the 5th to emerge with 11-7 for the win.

In the final, Martin started strongly 11-3. Hari replied with 11-5. Martin took the third end 11-9 and sealed it with 11-8 in the 4th.

The consolation event felt a bit like a main event with Tony Reynolds, Martin Gunn, Steve Miller and Harry Munro all in it. In a semi-final that was fought like a final, Tony had a good match with Martin Gunn, using spin and placement to his advantage to take the first end 11-5 and the second 12-10. Martin managed to tighten things up in the 3rd end and took it 11-9 but Tony was determined and they battled it out in a very close 4th end, with Tony managing to secure the win 13-11.

Harry Munro beat Calin Spicica in 4 sets which put him into the semi final with Steve Miller. Harry dominated the match, winning 11-7, 11-0, 11-8 – an outstanding performance, especially considering that it had been some 3 weeks since he played last. He then went into the final against Tony Reynolds and put in another good performance in the first leg 11-8. A lapse of concentration appeared to cost him in the second, which Tony took advantage of to the tune of 11-2 but Harry started to get some ground back in the 3rd leg 11-8. He then really seemed to focused on his topspin play and managed to take the 4th leg 11-9. With momentum now on his side, he marched home 11-3 to take the 5th.

Overall, Daniel Moses continues to lead the series with 797 points. Martin Adams closes the gap a little on 654, Hari Gehlot 489, Trung Tran 399 and Mark Banks 293. Joe Barraclough continues to lead the juniors on 280 with Joshua Gallen on 240 and Yonatan Slobodskoy on 214.

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Main Event

Last 16:

Simon Vine bt Richard Rosinski -3, 7, 4, 11
Rick Leachman bt Trevor Organ 7, -7, 6, -9, 8
Martin Adams bt Tony Reynolds 8, 8, 5
Yonatan Slobodskoy bt Joe Barraclough 9, 5, -5, 6
Richard Fifield bt Gwynne Penny 9, 6, 10
Trung Tran bt Calin Spicica 4, 4, 8
Hari Gelot bt Harry Munro 7, 3, 5
Krassi Ivanov bt Joshua Gallen -9, 7, 9, 9

Quarter Finals:

Simon Vine bt Rick Leachman 6, 5, 6
Martin Adams bt Yonatan Slobodskoy 5, 7, 6
Trung Tran bt Richard Fifield 9, 7, 6
Hari Gehlot bt Krassi Ivanov 9, 6, 9

Semi Finals:

Martin Adams bt Simon Vine 6, 8, -8, 1
Hari Gehlot bt Trung Tran -10, -8, 4, 7, 7

Final:

Martin Adams bt Hari Gehlot 3, -5, 9, 8

Consolation Event

Semi Finals:

Tony Reynolds bt Martin Gunn 5, 10, -9, 11
Harry Munro bt Steve Miller 7, 0, 8

Final:

Harry Munro bt Tony Reynolds 8, -2, -8, 9, 3

