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JIMMY MCKILLOP SHAKES OFF HIS TWO WEEK LOSING STREAK AND POSTS WINS IN TWO OUT OF THREE SETS TO TAKE THE MATCH AGAINST RAY RESSLER IN WEEK 10 !!

Table #19: #4 Jimmy McKillop vs #6 Ray Ressler:

Jimmy continues to show great improvements on the 9 foot tables and after a couple of tough losses in the previous weeks, he comes out a victor in week 10. He played a decent opponent and got off to a very good start in the **8 Ball Set**. He opened the first game with a very nice 4 ball run on his group and then set up perfectly to pocket the 8 ball for the win. He took advantage of some misses by Ray with some great safety play to nail down the win in game two. Ray finally got a chance to get into he set as he got a great starting shot in game three to finish his set and post the win. Some key misses by Jimmy in game 4 gave Ray his second chance to close out a game. He ran the remaining three balls in his group and notched win his second game of the set. The momentum didn't stay long for Ray as Jimmy again played some nice safeties and ran all seven of his group and put he eight ball in for the win in game 5. He finished off the set with another nice finish to take game 6 and take a 4-2 lead in the match. After the break in game 1 of the **9 Ball Set** and a couple of misses by both players, Ray was left with a pos- sible combo shot in the game. He pro- ceeded to pot the 9 ball using the three ball to take game one of the set. It was all Jimmy in game 2 as he again put together a very nice run, nailed a bank shot to get great shape on the nine to close out the game. Ray got another chance in game 3 and ran off the final four balls to notch another win in the set. Game four seemed to go back and forth with both players putting together some nice safety's. The final safety by Jimmy worked as he



got a ball in hand to finish off the game and even things up in the set. Game 5 was another good game as both players played a cat and mouse game of hide the cue ball from each other. Jimmy made a nice shot on the 7 ball on to see the cue ball find its way into the opposite corner to give Ray a ball in hand. Ray didn't make any mistakes pocketing the final two balls to notched the win in game 5. The set ended in a tie as Jimmy again got on track and made some very nice shots with great position to finish off game 6. Jimmy maintained a 2 point cushion in the match. The first game of the **10 Ball Set** saw both Jimmy and Ray trying to gain the advantage with some key safety play. After going back and forth, Ray got a chance at closing out the game with his second combo try in the match. He got a ball in hand and lined up the seven ball to pocket the ten and take game 1. Jimmy was relentless in the next two games with some very nice shooting and position play. He ran the remaining five balls in game 2 and finished off the final three balls in game 3 to take the lead in the set. Ray got another chance to get back into the set with a couple of missed shots by Jimmy to give him the advantage in game 4. He potted the remaining three balls to tie up the set with the win. In game five, it looked like Ray would post another win, until his shot on the 10 ball hung up in the corner to give Jimmy the win. The momentum stayed with Jimmy again in game 6 and he finished off the final four balls to close out the set with another 4-2 win. This gave Jimmy the match win by four points. It was nice shooting by Jimmy and a good effort and try by Ray.

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Ray Ressler 7

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NATHAN CONTINUES TO PLAY SOME OUTSTANDING POOL AND TAKES DOWN ANOTHER GOOD SHOOTER ~ PAIGE CONNER ~ AND MAINTAINS 1ST WITH A FOUR POINT LEAD IN THE STANDINGS!!

Table #1: #5 Paige Conner vs #3 Nathan Decker:

Things got off to a very nice start for Paige in the **8 Ball Set**.  Paige made some nice shots to get off to very positive start. She made some great shots and ran off the remaining four balls in her group to get great shape on the 8 ball and post the win. Nathan took advantage of a missed shot by Paige and strung together a five ball finish in his group and make a very nice bank shot on the eight to take game 2. Nathan seemed to be off just enough in game 3 to give Paige extra chances to close out a game. She made that happen with three great shots and perfect position to nail down the win in game 3. Nathan seemed to get back on track in game 4. He finished off the final three balls in his group to finish off the win and even up the set. A couple of misses by Paige in game 5 opened the door for Nathan and he made it work. He closed out game 5 and seemed to gain more momentum in game 6. He ran the final five balls, which included a very nice bank shot to keep the run alive and finish off the game. Nathan takes the first set with 4-2 match lead. Paige stopped Nathan's three game run with some very nice shot making in game one of the **9 Ball Set**. She continued to shoot well in game 2, but a missed shot  opened the door for Nathan who promptly finished off the rack for a win. Game three went back and forth with both players not giving each other good start-

ing shots. Nathan finally gave up a easy starting shot to Paige who finished off the final four balls to cap the win in game 3. Nathan rebounded in game 4 as he seemed to get back into a nice shooting rhythm. He capped off the rest of the rack in game 4 with three very nice shots and position play. He continued to keep Paige from getting any momentum in game 5 and ran out the final four balls to take game 5 and the lead in the set. This set would end in a tie as an errant shot by Nathan gave Paige a ball in hand. She made not mistakes in making the shots to close out game 6 and a tie in the set, but still trailed by 2 points in the match. Nathan seemed to get back into stroke in the **10 Ball Set**.  He got off to a great start with some very key shot making in game one. He finished off five an out to start the set and just seemed to keep the momentum on his side. Misses by Paige continued to keep Nathan on the table in game 2 and he finished off the set with a nice bank shot. Game three seemed to be all Nathan as Paige continued to just miss her shot and leave Nathan an easy finish. Game four went rather quickly, as Nathan had a dry break and left the 1 ball close enough for Paige to take a shot at it. It dropped in for the win as she finally got on the score sheet. The final two games were split with Nathan closing out game 5 and Paige ran the final four balls in game 6. It was a very admirable try by Paige with some outstanding shooting in the match. Very nice shot making and shooting by Nathan as well in very good match .

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KASPAR GASKEVICIUS AND SCOTT KROLL MEET FOR THE SECOND TIME AND IT ENDS UP JUST LIKE THE FIRST TIME THEY MATCHED UP ~~ A TIED MATCH !!

Table #21: #7 Scott Kroll vs #1 Kaspar Gaskevicius:

Both players have been playing some very nice pool and it showed up in this weeks match. Kaspar came out firing in bullets in game one of the **8 Ball Set**. Too many misses by Scott continued to keep Kaspar in some nice shooting rhythm. He continued to get some good starting shots and made them count as he closed out game one of the set. Kaspar continued to shoot well in game 2 and nailed his final five balls in his group and the eight ball to take the game. A couple of key shots by Scott in game 3 complimented by a couple of misses by Kaspar that opened the door for a win in the game as Scott got on the scoresheet. It was Kaspar again making some nice shots with some key position play to take a 3-1 lead in the set. Scott wasn't going down without a fight and after a key safety play, got his chance in game 5. He ran the remaining four balls in his group and nailed a bank shot on the 8 ball to win the game. With the win in game 5, Scott seemed to retain the momentum and after a few misses by both players, Scott closed out game 6 to end the set in a tie. Scott seemed to be on a roll from the end of the previous set as he opened the **9 Ball Set** with a game one winner, finishing the final three balls in the game. It was Scott continuing to stay sharp in his shooting and took game two making it four straight wins. Kaspar fought his way back into the set as he ran five balls in game 3 to end Scott's run. After the players battled with some back and forth safe-



ties, Scott got an opening and made the best of it as he finished off the remaining balls to post the win in game 4. Kaspar would get back into the set as he took advantage of a ball in hand on a scratch by Scott to close out game 5 and cut into Scott's lead in the set. Unfortunately, Kaspar would not catch up to Scott in the set as too many mistakes gave Scott the advantage and a game 6 win to take the set 4-2. The **10 Ball Set** got off to a very unique start, as Scott took game one win on a three foul rule against Kaspar. It seemed like that lit a fire into Kaspar and sharpened his shooting eye. He ran the final five balls to take game two and seemed to keep Scott from getting into any kind of shooting rhythm. Kaspar continued to shoot well in game 3 with some great shots and pinpoint position to continue to hold off Scott. He maintained his shooting in game 4 as Scott's misses gave him great starting positions. He finished game four and went on to make it four straight wins in the set capping off a four ball finish to take a 4-1 lead in the set. Game six went back and forth with both players leaving some tough starting positions. Unfortunately for Kaspar, a missed shot gave Scott a great starting shot and he made it count as he finished the rack to turn a possible match loss into a tied match. It was nice shooting by both players in a very good competitive match for the second time.



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Kaspar Gaskevicius 9

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WALTER WNUK GAINS A POINT ON OUR LEADER NATHAN DECKER AS HE WINS HIS MATCH AGAINST MARTIN LUTZ WHO IS LEAVING ON VACATION AND WILL MISS THE REST OF THE SEASON!!

Table #18: #8 Walter Wnuk vs #2 Martin Lutz:

Unfortunately, Martin is going out of the country on vacation and will not be able to finish the season. Dave will be taking over his spot to finish the season for him. Walter continues to shoot exceptionally well and is only four points out of first



place in the league. Walter got things rolling in his favor to start the **8 Ball Set**. A couple of missed chances by Martin put

Walter in the drivers seat in game one. He closed out his group of balls with great position on the eight ball to cap off game one. Martin continued to shoot well in game 2, but a missed shot on his final ball before the 8 ball opened the door for Walter, who finished off his group with a four ball run and the eight ball to take game 2. Martin fought back in game three and put together a very nice three ball run and great position on the 8 ball for the win. Walter didn't let up and after a few misses by both players, ran the remaining five balls to post the win in game 4. Suddenly, Walter lost his shooting eye and Martin grabbed the momentum to notch the win in game 5. Martin continued to get some good starting positions in game 6 and made it count. He finished off the game and the set was all square at 3-3.



The **9 Ball Set** got off to a positive start for Walter after finishing the last set as he came out quickly with a five ball run to nail down game one. Martin would make it one to one as he took advantage of a missed shot by Walter that opened up a couple of blocked balls and allowed him to run out the final three balls for the win. Walter then put on a shooting clinic with great shots and safeties that Martin had a

very difficult time getting out of that kept Walter in the drivers sea. He coasted through game 3 and just kept making shot after shot. Not only was Walter making tough shots to keep runs going, but also making some very nice bank shots. He cleaned up the final four balls in game 4 and kept Martin from getting into any shooting rhythm. Walter nailed the game winner in game 5 after a Martin scratch giving him ball in hand and an easy run out on the final three balls. The nine ball set ended with Walter closing out game 6 with some very nice shot making and great position play. Walter takes the set with a 5-1 win and built up a 4 point lead in the match. Walter didn't slow down in the **10 Ball Set** either has he continued to keep Martin from getting anything easy to start, which contributed to some cold shooting. Walter



notched game one and just kept winning. He ran the final four balls in game 2 and closed out game three with a 5 ball run to make it seven straight wins in a row. Martin finally broke though as a missed shot by Walter gave him the opening he needed to pot the final three balls for the win. Game five didn't go all the way as with 7 balls on the table, Walter made quick work with a 4-10 combination for the win. Martin salvaged the final game with some very nice shooting but ends up losing the set by a 4-2 margin. It was a valiant try by Martin and some very nice shooting by Walter.

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Martin Lutz 6

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10 Ways to AVOID A DOUBLE HIT Foul" ILLUSTRATED PRINCIPLES Dr. Dave Alciatore, PhD

In a recent online video (NV J.106), I covered how to detect various fouls and showed examples of bad calls in pro tournament matches. In a follow-up video (NV J.107), I demonstrate 10 useful ways to avoid a double-hit foul when the gap between the cue ball (CB) and object ball (OB) is small. I summarize these techniques below.

1. **Angled Hit** When the gap between the CB and OB is very small, the most reliable way to avoid a double hit is to shoot the CB at an angle. As long as the CB starts off in the tangent-line direction (see Image 1), the shot is legal. Image 1 Angled Hit with Tangent Line
2. **Short Bridge and Stroke** When the ball gap is not too small, one relatively easy way to avoid a double hit is to use a short bridge length and short stroke.
3. **Elevated Cue Again**, when the gap is not too small, it can be easy to avoid a double hit simply by elevating the back of the cue. But as demonstrated in online video NV J.107, even a highly elevated cue is no guarantee of a legal hit. Do not let anybody tell you after attempting an elevated draw shot with a small gap, with the CB going well forward of the OB: "I elevated the cue, and the CB drew back, so it isn't a foul!" If they want to argue with you, tell them to watch the video. Even when the gap is really small, a double hit can still be avoided with cue elevation and bottom spin, but the cue needs to be nearly vertical during the stroke.

The illustrations can be found at Dr. Dave's website under **Illustrated Principles**: Here is the link: There are 10 items covered in the instructions. I included only three. To see the pictures and the rest of the instructions, go to the link I have included below.

https://drdavepoolinfo.com/bd_articles/2022/july22.pdf

CURRENT STANDINGS AFTER WEEK 10

1ST	NATHAN DECKER	112
2ND	WALTER WNUK	108
3RD	KASPAR GASKEVICIUS	93
4TH	RAY RESSLER	87
4TH	SCOTT KROLL	87
6TH	MARTIN LUTZ	82
7TH	JIMMY MCKILLOP	81
8TH	PAIGE CONNER	70