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SCOTT KROLL CONTINUES TO SHOOT SOME EXCELLENT POOL AND TAKES DOWN PAIGE CONNER WITH SOME GREAT SHOOTING AND POSITION SKILLS!!

Table #1: #5 Paige Conner vs #7 Scott Kroll:

I thought this match would be a little closer than it turned out. Scott continues to improve his shot making and Paige continues to struggle to finish games throughout the match. Scott came out shooting lights out to start the **8 Ball Set**. He opened the set with some very nice shot making to close out the first game with a four ball run. He continued to get some easy shots after Paige's misses. He cruised through game two without too much resistance from Paige. Paige's untimely misses continued to keep Scott in a very nice shooting rhythm. He finished off game three with a nice three ball run and perfect shape on the eight ball to take a 3-0 lead. Game four saw Paige finally put together a nice run which included a great bank shot to get good position on the eight ball to notch the game on get on the scoresheet. It was all Scott in the fifth game as he continued to keep Paige from



mounting any type of offense. He closed out the final three balls in his group pocketed the eight ball for the win. Paige seemed to get back in stroke for the final game of the set and put the win in her column and trailed by 2 points as the players headed into the **9 Ball Set**. Scott made quick work in the first game as he got an inviting combo using the 1 ball to nail the win as he drained the nine ball in the pocket. Paige showed some great shooting abilities in game two with a couple of very nice long shots and cross side bank shot to notch the win in game 2. Then it was all Scott again. Continued misses by Paige kept Scott with the momentum in the set. Scott got his chance with another combo in game 3, this time using the two ball and it worked as he took the lead in the set that he would not relinquish. Contin-



ued misses by Paige continued to keep Scott on the table and put game 4 win on his sheet. Scott just kept making balls and posting wins. He finished off game 5 and closed out the set with a final win to take the set with a 5-1 advantage. This gave Scott a 9-3 lead in the match with four straight wins. Scott opened the **10 Ball Set** with his fifth win in a row taking the game with some nice shot making and good position play. Paige tried to make a comeback as she finally put a very nice run together. She nailed down game 2 with a very nice four ball run. Scott again got a few good chances with some easy starting shots and put game 3 on the sheet. Game four went back and forth until the 8 ball seemed to line up to the 10 ball. Scott promptly made the shot and took a 3 -1 lead in the set. Then Scott's shot mak-



ing seemed to disappear and he opened the door for Paige to get into the set. She finished off game 5 with two nice shots and perfect shape on the 10 to notch the win. A back and forth game 6 saw Scott scratch and give Paige ball in hand with three balls remaining. She closed out the set with the second win in a row to finish with a tied set. It was a very admirable try by Paige and some very nice shooting by Scott.

<u>Scott Kroll</u>	<u>12</u>
<u>Paige Conner</u>	<u>6</u>

STANDINGS AFTER WK 8

<u>1ST</u>	<u>Nathan Decker</u>	<u>91</u>
<u>2ND</u>	<u>Walter Wnuk</u>	<u>86</u>
<u>3RD</u>	<u>Kaspar Gaskevicius</u>	<u>76</u>
<u>4TH</u>	<u>Ray Ressler</u>	<u>72</u>
<u>5TH</u>	<u>Scott Kroll</u>	<u>70</u>
<u>6TH</u>	<u>Martin Lutz</u>	<u>66</u>
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RAY RESSLER AND WALTER WNUK PLAYED THEIR SECOND MATCH AND THIS ONE TURNED OUT TO BE A MUCH BETTER FINISH FOR RAY AS FINISHED IN A TIED MATCH WITH WALTER!!

Table 1: #8 Walter Wnuk vs #6 Ray Ressler:

This turned out to be a very hard fought match between two good shooters. Walter struck first in the **8 Ball Set** as he put together a great five ball run which included a nice cross side bank to keep the run alive. Game two went back and forth until a opening gave Ray a chance to close out the game and even up the set. It was a dry break for Ray in

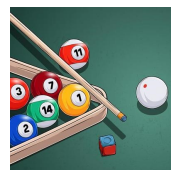


game 3 and after a Walter miss, Ray proceeded to run all seven of his group and pocket the eight ball for a winner. Walter finished off the remainder of his group in game 4 and again the set was tied. A couple of misses by Walter in game 5 opened the door for Ray as he cleaned up the final three balls in his group and took game 5. The momentum seemed to stay with Ray in game six as well as a few misses by Walter continued to give Ray more chances to finish the game. Ray ran all of his group and pocketed the eight ball to close out game 6. Ray takes the opening set with a 4-2 win. The **9 Ball Set** was a different story. After an opening dry break again for Ray, it seemed like the 1 ball lined up good enough for Walter to take a crack at it and made the 9 ball to take game one. This was all Walter's set as Ray's decent shooting from the previous set went cold. Walter closed out game two with a very nice four ball finish and the momentum had certainly changed

into Walters favor. Walter continued to take advantage of Ray's misses and with a few key safeties put game #3 into his win column. Game four ended right after the break as Walter nailed the 9 ball on the break and take a 4-0 lead in the set. Game five didn't take long either as Ray took a shot



at a combo using the 3 ball that pocketed the nine ball and keep him from getting shut out in the set. The last game in the set didn't last long either as Walter pounded in a 1-9 combo for the second time in the set and this set ends with Walter going ahead in the match with a 7-5 lead. The first game of the **10 Ball Set** was another fairly quick game with another combo coming into play. Ray found a 2



ball lined up close enough to drain the 10 and made it count to take game one. Game 2 went back and forth with Walter finally putting the final three balls in to post the win in the game. Ray seemed to get back into stroke and finished off the rack in game 3 and didn't slow down much in game 4. He ran the final four balls to take a 3-1 lead in the set. Game five was all

Walter as he ran 5 and out in the game to close the gap to a game in the match. This set and match would end with Ray again getting some good starting shots and made the best of it with the win. This set ends with Ray taking 4 games to 2 and was able to finish the match in a tie against a very exceptional shooter. Nice shooting by both players in a tough match.

Walter Wnuk (9)

Ray Ressler (9)



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MARTIN LUTZ HAS SHOW GREAT IMPROVEMENTS IN HIS GAME AS HE BATTLED FIRST PLACE NATHAN DECKER ONLY LOSING BY 2 POINTS IN A VERY GOOD COMPETETIVE MATCH !!!

Table #18: #2 Martin Lutz vs #3 Nathan Decker:

Nathan continues to shoot well but had his hands full with Martin in week 8. These players met a couple of weeks earlier and the outcome was all Nathan but not this time. Nathan opened the first game of the 8 Ball Set with a very impressive run. He made the run look easy with great position on his next shots. Nathan ran the final four balls in his group and put in the eight ball for the



win in game one. A couple of misses in game two led to Martin running three and out and took game two. After a back and forth battle in game 3, Nathan comes out on top and regained the lead in the set. Martin got a great starting shot with four of his balls on the table and proceeded to take them out one by one to even up the set with a game four winner. Game five went back and forth with both players trying not to give up easy starting shots. It was Nathan taking advantage of a miss by Martin that gave him his chance to finish his group and take the game and lead. Martin had his troubles in



game 6 as he just seem to miss his chance to get out and left the door open for Nathan who

didn't miss and went on to win game 6 and the set with a 4-2 lead in the match. Nathan continued to roll on as he opened the 10 Ball Set with a game one winner finishing the final four balls. Nathan continued to get extra chances and after a Martin miss cleaned up the balance of the balls and made it his fourth straight win. Then, it seemed like Nathan went cold in his shot making and gave Martin a chance to get back into the set. With three



balls remaining in game 3, a Nathan miss gave Martin an opening that he made work and closed out game 3. Martin seemed to get back into a nice shooting rhythm in game 4 as well and took the game with a four ball finish. This set was all square. Nathan and Martin split the final two games. Nathan finished off game 5 and Martin closed out game 6 as this set came to an end in a tie, with Na-

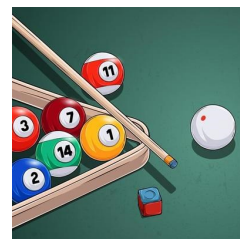


than still clinging to a two point lead in the match. For the third straight set, Nathan jumped into the lead with another nice run to post the winner in game one to start the 10 Ball Set. Martin wast-

ed little time in answering Nathan's first game winner with one of his own after making a great bank shot to keep his run going and pot the 10 ball for the winner. Martin kept getting some extra chances and ran the final three balls in game 3 to jump into the lead in the set. Game four went back and forth until an untimely miss by Martin opened the way for Nathan to finish off game 4 and even up the set. The final two games were split, as Martin nailed the game winner in 5 and Nathan closed out the set with a win in game 6 with a four ball run. This was the second set that ended in a tie. This turned out to be a very good match with some great shooting by both players.

Nathan Decker (10)

Martin Lutz (8)



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JIMMY MCKILLOP & KASPAR GASKEVICIUS BATTLED IT OUT IN ANOTHER CLOSE MATCH IN WEEK 8 WITH KASPER COMING OUT ON TOP BY TWO POINTS!!

Table #19: #4 Jimmy McKillop vs #1 Kasper Gaskevicius:

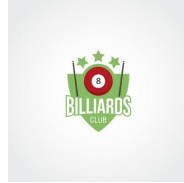
This was the third match of the night that turned into another close match. Jimmy does seem to be getting a little use to the 9' tables now after several weeks of play on them. In fact, he



came out quickly in the **8 Ball Set** with a very nice five ball run to grab the first game of the set.

Kaspar came right back in game two running the final four balls in his group and dropping the eight ball in for the win. It didn't take Jimmy long in the 3rd game as he put together a very nice run to notch the win. Jimmy continued to get some great starting positions from Kaspar and

kept a sharp eye in game 4 making some great shots with perfect position to take a 3-1 lead in the set.



Then a few misses by Jimmy gave Kaspar a chance to get back into the set.

Kaspar put together a four ball run in game 5 and closed out the game with the win. The momentum stayed with Kaspar into game 6. He made two great shots to get perfect position on the eight ball to finish off the game and the win resulted in a 3-3 tie. Kaspar made it three straight wins to open the **9**

Ball Set as he finished off the final three balls to post the win. Jimmy stopped his run at three games as he closed out game two to even things up. Game three went back and forth as both players tried to not give up any easy starting shots. But then the 7 ball



seemed to line up close enough to the 9 ball for Kaspar to take a shot at it and did it successfully to win the game 3. Jimmy fought back in game 4 and with some very nice shot making was able to nail down the win and even up the set.

Unfortunately, too many mistakes cost Jimmy a chance to win any more games in this set. Kaspar took advantage of missed shots and scratches by Jimmy in game 5 and ran out the final four balls to take the lead in the set. The set ended with Kaspar closing out game 6 and took a 2 point lead in the match. Jimmy made quick work to start the **10 Ball**



Set as he started to get back into stroke. After a back and forth battle Jimmy lined up a 9-10 combination and dropped it in to take

care of game one. He continued to shoot well in game two and ran out the final three balls to take the game which evened up the match. Things didn't continue to go Jimmy's way in game 3 as Kaspar cleaned up the

final five balls to post the win. Jimmy seemed to miss his chance to take game 4 with misses that set up Kaspar to close out the game and even up the set. Kaspar continued to shoot well in game 5 as he ran out the final four balls and assure him of the match win as he had ten wins in the match. Jimmy finished off the final game to tie up the set at 3 games each but ends up losing the match by the two points he lost in the 9 ball set. It was a very competitive match with very nice shooting by both players throughout the match.

Kaspar Gaskevicius 10

Jimmy McKillop 8

