

Below is a report on the away match against Merseyside as seen by Roger Morgan..

Just starting with a general comment I thought that this Away team produced as a complete a performance as I can recall.  
The total score of 235 is the highest I can recall and surpasses the North Midlands and Gtr Manc away performances in 2008 which was our last semi final year

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Congratulations to all involved and especially to the selectors who got the teams spot on..!

Taking games in turn..

1) Dave (Rocky) Jones 21- 17 MOM performance against an opponent who was Merseyside's talisman on that green, his defeat really shook them.

2) Paul Hallett 21-17 Wales MOM in another superb match with in form John Hignett.

3) Kev Nic 21-16 Used all his experience to pick out brutal marks to defeat Dave Carter winner of the recent Helsby Open.

4) Franny Penlington 21-16 Fully justified his selection from the subs bench..his green knowledge from his pairs successes here came in handy.

5) Gerwyn Davies. 21-16 Lost his opponent by playing hard marks confidently.

6) Darren Williams 15-21 Did very little wrong with Terry Glover having an exceptional second half of the match.

7) Marcus Hughes 21-18 Played very sensible marks, keeping it simple, forcing his opponent to look for the trickier marks and then making him make the mistakes.

8) Nicky Jones 15-21 For me this was up there for being the game of the day with good bowls being beaten end after end. Nicky battled well throughout.

9) Simon Tyler 19-21 Fought back well from 18-12 down to nearly grasp victory.

10) Carl Roberts 21-14 Always comfortable against Jamie Fitz whose glitter bowls never suited the quick going.

11) Craig Griffiths 21-13 A very mature performance from Craig, getting better and better with every game I see him play in that Welsh Shirt.

12) Andy Hughes 21 - 9 Result never in doubt with his opponent hopelessly outclassed with Andy mixing corners with edges.

So a truly outstanding start guys and with Wales having beaten both North Lancs and Staffordshire in their last encounters things are looking good but we must keep our feet on the ground.