
LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 16:31

The hall is filled and so are the streets, with this afternoon's football game parking is a Golden Bear. ;-) Golden Bears Table Tennis players worked till late Friday night getting the hall set, the 9AM events are launched and in play and everything is on time! U-2500 and U18 events, the U-950 and Over 50. 28 tables and we are using them all right off the bat!

More later as time permits.

Alan

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 16:46

I am new in tournament playing. I signed up for Sept 15-16 Life-West Open in Berkeley. My event (U1400)schedule at 6pm; anyone knows it may complete the same day, else I need to prepare for accomodation for the next day. Thanks.

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 16:57

The U-1400 will finish on the same day it begins! The only events in our design that spread over two days are Open Singles and the U-2375.

Alan

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 18:02

U-2500 Semis are Samson Dubina vs. De Tran and Auria Malek vs. Shashin Shodhan

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 18:29

Samson and Shashin advance to the final at 11:45.

Alan

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 19:24

Samson wins the U-2500, 4 games to 2 against Shashin! 8,-7,5,7,-11,9.

Alan

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 19:40

Noon is always a crush, with 1400 SE and the launch of the 2250 RR. Today was the same. ;-)

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by donnolsen - 2007/09/15 20:07

Thanks for everything!

Any news on Ethan Chua?

Donn Olsen

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by donnolsen - 2007/09/15 20:11

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Any news on Ethan Chua?

Donn Olsen

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 20:49

Ethan is all rating events here, and is currently in play in the U-2250.

Suguru Araki won the Over 50, with Kock Loe and Wayne Lo both bothered that neither of *them* got a bye to the final... ;-)

Alan

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 21:24

Womens Singles is deeply conflicted, as the younger women are in U-13 and the skilled women are in 2250. ;-)

People are having a blast and playing their butts off.

Alan

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 22:15

The Open Singles Qualifiers are almost identified and I'll post the second stage RR as soon as they are in hand!

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 22:42

Erick Shanazari reaches the U-13 final, and waits the winner of Patrick Sun and Terrence Sun. So he'll play Sun for certain.

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 22:46

Open Singles Stage 2 groups:

Hazinski, Malek, Shen Hailong and Nelson Yu

Du Cheng Yi, Samson Dubina, Shashin Shodhan, Robert Shahnazari

Jiaqi Zheng, De Tran, Tuan Le, Ariel Hsing

Khoa Nguyen, Guo Xi, Justen Yao, Zhang Yahao

Nice mix!

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 23:41

The Women's Singles Groups overlap Open Singles this time. Jiaqi Zheng won her group and the second group finishing now, both players from each are also in pen Singles. Women's Singles Final will probably hit at 7:30.

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/15 23:42

Wow..we've been very busy thats my excuse for all the t_ypo_s. ;-)

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 00:19

The Boys U-13 Champ was Erick Shahnazari over Terrence Sun.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 00:32

Dave Sakai is a warrior, but the man hands back the wettest match slips in the sport. He wins his U-2250 match, and we hang it up to draw before filing.

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by Bogeyhunter - 2007/09/16 00:40

No video?

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 01:43

No video feed available. Lots of cameras in action, though! I'd bet on seeing some this coming week.

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 01:46

Mark Hazinski is so imperturable! He's breezing but everyone is thrilled to play him.

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 02:14

Mark wins his group and will play again tomorrow at 1PM in the QF

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 02:51

Open Singles Group 3 has finished, Du Cheng Yi came first with a 3-0 record (4-2 vs shodan, 4-2 over dubina, 4-1 over shahnazari). Samson Dubina came out 2nd, defeating Shashin 4-2 , 15,8,8,-11,-7,7.

Du and Dubina to the QF tomorrow at 1PM.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 02:58

Mark Hazinski won the group easily, but Shen Hailong had to fight like a madman to come second. He and Auria stretched it down to the 7th game of final match before we knew the second place finisher. Auria is sidelined, 11-5 in the

7th and Shen and Hazinski go to the QF on Sunday.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 03:05

Ariel Hsing and Jiaqi Zheng met earlier in the Open Singles RR, where Jiaqi prevailed. Now they play again to find the Women's Singles Champ, but on Table One and with two umpires. Umpires always seem to want to work the women's singles final, and are scarce at other moments. I just cant figure it out.

Best of 7 games, with \$200 to the champ.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 03:15

Group 4 has finished with Guo Xi first and Khao Nguyen second. They both advance to the QF.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 03:17

Jiaqi Zheng was dominant, 3-0 in her group, De Tran held off Tuan Le and Zheng and De advance to Quarters...those matchups in just a sec, when Azmy approves them...

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 03:21

Womens Singles Jiaqi leads Ariel 2 games to 1.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 03:25

3 -1 Zheng

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Sunday's QF matches:

1PM

Khoa Nguyen vs. Mark Hazinski

Samson Dubina vs. Jiaqi Zheng

1:30

Guo Xi vs Shen Hailong

De Tran vs. Du Cheng Yi

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 03:35

Women Singles Champion Jiaqi Zheng in 5 games over Ariel Hsing.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 03:47

The U-2375 competitors all play one match into their SE bracket which sets up tomorrow mornings semifinals. Sunday begins with doubles, those draws down overnight by elves while we sleep. Well, not exactly. We do them, then we sleep.

We're down to about 60 people in the hall, so Saturday must be nearing its end.

Good work by Golden Bears to have Adequate Chairs. I hope Mike is reading. ;-)

Alan

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 04:12

Tom's asleep under the desk, he worke his butt off today. Mary and I are driving back to the hotel anyway. If Tom wakes up he can call a cab.

Alan

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 04:37

Nelson Yu has playe to so deep into so many matches taht this has become the abuse Neslon Yu show. He just ahd a great win against Yahao Zhang 3-2 in the U-2375 and now he has the U-2250 Final, a best of 7.

We'd have been eating breakfast/lunch/dinner a while back if not for Nelson Yu. ;-)

Great show of stamina and athleticism on his part. He's gotta be hurtin'..

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 16:04

Sunday morning and the 3200 and 4200 doubles matches are in progress.

at 9:30 U-2375 Semis!

One change from yesterday...a mistake on a match slip led us to place Guo Xi 1st and Khoa second in their Second Stage RR group. Reversing that error changes the Open draw.

Guo Xi will meet Mark Hazinski at 1PM and Khoa plays Shen Hailong at 1:30.

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 16:44

Tuan Le vs. John Springer and Shashin Shodan vs. Nelson Yu...teh U-2375 Semis.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 17:20

Shashin and Dr. Le now play the U-2375 Final on Table One.

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 17:51

The atmosphere here is always great. Lots of conversations about teh state of USATT , but those are secondary to the 'fact of play'. When the ball's in motion, the other issues all go away. ;-)

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 17:56

Tuan Le competes hard, but Shashin is on his game tday, and Shodan is the U-2375 Champion in 5 games!

Impressive!

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 18:12

Auria Malek and Shen Hailong in the U-22 Men's Final, the crown jewel of the Ying Lo Competition.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 18:42

Auria and Hailong gave a great match, with court coverage and powerlooping to make your heart soar! 8,8,6, 9, Shen Hailong is the U-22 Champion

Francisco Mendez and Tuan Le now have an Over 40 Semi, Khoa d. Dave Sakai in the other Semi earlier.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 19:03

Tuan Le meets Khoa in the Over 40 Final.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 19:11

Prachi Jha runner in Girls U-16, Ariel Hsing, U-16 Girls Champ!

And proudly I state taht the trophies actually have women players on the top, ;-)

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 19:16

Khoa Nguyen d. Tuan Le in 4 games to take the Sol Feingold Memorial Over 40.

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 19:32

Open Singles QF's begin in 30 minutes, Dubina vs Zheng and Hazinki vs Guo.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:00

And we are under way. ;-) Tom Miller and Kenny Tien are the umpires.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:07

Mark Hazinski is up 2-0, and Samson took game one.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:12

Guo Xi takes Game 3, and trails Mark 2 to 1, Samson leads Jiaqi 2-0.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:17

Mark leads 3-1 at the start of game 5

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:18

11-9 in the third and Jiaqi trails Samson 3-0.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:24

Mark advances, and Jiaqi mounts a comeback in game 4, up 9-7

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:25

11-9, Jiaqi hangs onto game 4, Khoa Nguyen steps in against Shen Hailong on Table 1.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:30

Samson and Jiaqi are tied at 4, Samson's up 6-4

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:33

Samsons up 10-8..and closes the match 4games to 1 against Zheng Jiaqi

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:34

Khoa loses the first game to Shen Hailong who is, let me tell you...quick quick quick!

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:36

Khoa's fired up for game 2 and breaks out to a 5-2 lead

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:41

7-7...khoa's been moving him in and out, 8-8..this one beautiful match...9-9, 11-9, its shen with a 2-0 lead over Khoa. De Tran and Du Cheng Yi start the final QF.

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:54

9-9 in game four for Khoa, down 3-0... and its over, with Shen Hailong advancing to the Semi. Tran and Du are 1-1 and starting game 3.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 20:59

Semi-Finals at 2:30..Hazinski vs. Dubina, Shen vs the winner of De and Du.

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by divineroodog - 2007/09/16 21:05

Thanks Alan,
This is killin' me not being there right now, but i can smell the TT hall in your writing!
I've lost twice to Cheng and i'm waiting for him to show what a great player he is, maybe today???
Regards,
Ben

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 21:11

Du Cheng Yi leads 3-1

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 21:20

Thanks Ben! We miss ya! To complete the smell of the playing hall, Junior was here asking me if I was an About dot com sockpuppet. Jr. never loses his sense of humor!

Du Cheng Yi was very impressive in beating De Tran, and he now faces Shen Hailong in the Semi...its gonna be a barnburner.

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 21:35

And both semifinals are set to go

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 21:48

Semis will go one after the other...and Samson leads Mark 2 game to 1.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 21:53

Samson and Mark are tied 2 apiece

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 21:56

Mark Hazinski is a powerful palyer and in full stride now, taking a 4-0 lead in game 5, then 5-2, 5-4, 6-4, He and samson are well matched if stylistically simiar.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 21:57

7 all!

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 22:00

Deuce in the fifth...11 all, 12 all...this is great stuff

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 22:03

13 all...15 all..no one will let go! Of course not. Bombs at each other...17-15 Mark wins the fifth game.

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duce in the 6th...

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 22:16

Mark wins 12-10 in the 6th Game

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 22:18

Hazinkis in teh Final, Shen and Du now play to find the other half of the Fianl match.

Samson played so great! Another level...\$300 fr the semifinalits, \$700 to the runnerup, \$1500 for our Champ, when he is found.

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Posted by SD Table Tennis - 2007/09/16 22:22

Alan

Thanks for the updates.

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 22:51

Straight Games, a very impressive win for Du Cheng Yi

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 22:52

9,10,9,11...wow

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 23:13

My pleasure, SoCal True Believers. ;-) As you know. ;-)

Final at 5PM is Mark Hazinski and Du Cheng Yi.

Crowd is still strong, tables are being taken down and its always an odd moment of climax and departure. It's like waiting for Chrstmas while youre doing your tax return...

LOL

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 23:20

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 23:27

Dennis Davis is going to have a few breif words before the match starts...U-16 Boys final is Yahao Zhang and Tomas Fuentes-Affleck

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 23:38

Tom Miller will get the best seat in the house, as Umpire for the Open Singles Final

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/16 23:59

Steven Li is the u-1700 champ, holding off a comeback from Eric Shahnazari to win in 7 Games.

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:01

Tony Tam wins the U-2125 in six games against Jim Chai

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:03

Game One to Hazinski against Du Cheng Yi in the Final

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:04

Du must be learning that Mark's FH wing i no place to make a living..Du is a very crafty player as he demonstrated in his quarters and semi wins. 3-3 in the 2nd game...I have to go move some tables. ;-)

Alan

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:08

Haz leads 10-8 in the second, 10-9...

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:09

Deuce!

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:11

14 all in game 2,

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:12

16-14 in Game 2, and Du Cheng Yi ties the match at a game apiece,

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:15

Game 3: 2 all, the dancing is coming to end, and they have a feel for each other now. It's shaping up to a great final

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:16

Haz is put in front, 7=4

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:19

9-8...9 all whne mark misses a sweeping loop opener...Du is making him shift BH/FH/BH and in the end Marks shot goes long..its lightning fast and now Du leads 2-1 in games.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:23

Mark's out in front 7-4 in the fourth game

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:26

man can Mark bring the lightning.. he's showing some fist-pumping satisfaction on the winners, and a large local rooting group is cheering on Du...this is classic. 11-7 for Hazinski and we are two games apiece.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:28

3-1 Mark, 3-2...this is a best of three games match now!

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:34

Mark goes up 10-8 and then grabs Game 5 to lead the match 3-2

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Thats a great position to be in... Du Cheng Yi needs to win 2 in a row to claim the title. Du leads 5-4 in the sixth...

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:42

8-5 for Du..8-7....Time out for Du...9-7...9 ALL! Deuce in the 6th.

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:42

Marks has the ad

Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:42

Deuce

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/09/17 00:44

Mark has the ad again...and wins the sixth game, 13-11 to take the title!

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by pongfugrasshopper - 2007/09/28 14:59

Alan, I enjoy your online updates and your tournament write up.

Great results by the juniors in this tournament. Justen beating Khoa is impressive.

I noticed in the tournament write up that wherever an apostrophe is expected, I see a question mark. What's up with that :)?

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by topshot - 2007/10/08 20:31

I entered two events u1250/u1550, I didn't make it out of the round but I did boost my rating up 23 points from 1133 to 1156.

<http://tabletennis.acreatedesktop.com/>

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Re:LifeWest Open Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 16:56

Yeah, thats an issue between My Mac Book and the rest of the world...annoying isnt it?

;-)

Alan

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