
JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 17:02

Dr. Azmy approved the draws and we are under way...;-) Amanda Ho is here set up as the JOOLA vendor , the Stanford Table Tennis Club is doing hot lunch delivery as a fundraiser, Dennis Davis is promoting the World Junior Championships here in Decemeber, Rajul is prmoting the new ICC program at the Cupertino YMCA...and 300 players (nearly) are beginning their morning matches...

The 2007 JOOLA Tour Finals are under way!

I'll post event results and news throughout the weekend wherever possible.

Must say, most importantly, that Shimon Kolkowitz and his Stanford Club mates have been unbelievably good in supporting this event..Shimon has worked his butt off to coordinate everything here.

Alan

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 18:12

We've reached the Final of the Boys U-18, Don James Alto will play Yahao Zhang.

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 18:17

over 50 Semi, Kock Loe d. Mark Johnson, he'll meet Wayne Lo in the Final, Jason Shim d. Auria Malek in the U-2500 Quarter, Freddie Gabriel over Earl James Alto in 5 games,

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 18:20

I guess I should mention that Misha defeated Samson Dubina 9,-10,-3,6,8 in the U-2500 Quarter, a very good win!

Alan

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 18:48

Khoa d. Freddie in the U-2500 Semi, 4 straight. He meets Misha in the Final, who passed Jason Shim in 5 games.

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by Bogeyhunter - 2007/10/20 19:27

"I guess I should mention that Misha defeated Samson Dubina 9,-10,-3,6,8 in the U-2500 Quarter, a very good win!"

Wow. GREAT win.

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 19:27

Misah leads 2-0 against Khoa...misha so poised and confident today...

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 19:29

Boys Under 18, in Six Games Yahao Zhang turned back Don James Alto, -9,4,-7,9,7,8. Kock Loe over Wayne Lo in the Over 50, 4 games to 1.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 19:51

Californians have such an excellent attitude! Competitive, yet cooperative.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 20:04

It took all 7 games, but Misha won the U-2500 title over Khoa Nguyen! 9,9,-3,7,-7,-12,6.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 20:08

Earl James Alto had to play his brother Don James to see who would make the final stage Round Robin of Open Singles ...and Don James advanced, 9,-11,-9,9,6! A great match that the whole family gets to see on a regular basis, played today for the benefit of spectators at the JOOLA Tour Finals!

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 21:15

Events continue to move forward, but it's a tight fit for SE matches as the RR groups from U-1100 and U-2200 are so full!

Alan

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 21:20

The Rockstar Freakishly Fit Wii Table Tennis truck is one stylin' vehicle...with JOOLA displayed nearly as large as the ADIDAS logo...almost like we were similarly sized companies or something...its a carnival atmosphere here...I see a guy reading his "Principles of Neural Science" text, kids squealing and teens necking and Saul telling stories and looks like a Tour Final to me!

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 21:30

John Leach defeats Yang Liu 10,-8,3,-3,5 to advance to the second stage RR of Open Singles.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 21:51

The second Stage Round Robins are set now: to be played at 4:30 pacific time, two advance from each group to Sundays QuarterFinals.

Group 1.

Wilson Zhang
Jeff Lin Huang
Khoa Nguyen
Don James Alto

Group 2

Mark Hazinski
Samson Dubina
Freddie Gabriel
John Leach

Group 3.

Gao Yan Jun
Jiaqi Zhang
Auria Malek
Robert Shahnazari

Group 4

Du Cheng Yi
Shen Hailong
Sara Fu
Misha Kazantsev

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/20 23:16

Its a quiet time for the Open Singles participants, you see them in various corners and niches, gluing, stretching, clearing their minds for the Open Singles Groups that begin in 30 Minutes. Everyone else is either playing their own matches, talking to Dennis about the World Junors or grabbing a good seat in the Arena...1550 and 2000 RR's were packed! great turnout...

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 00:06

But it does mean a scarcity of tables for SE matches.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 00:46

Sara Fu and Jiaqi Zheng will be the pairing for Women's Singles, but Sayuri Ohno put up a spirited fight in the Women's semi with Sara Fu, Sara prevailing 7,-8,8,-10,7,5

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 00:47

U-1400, Aarsh Vyas carries home the first place trophy, defeating Stephen Lai...but Stephen has more work ahead in the U-1550. ;-)

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 01:03

Doubles with the experimental proposed service rotation will be interesting tomorrow...I know Bruce Lui and others were practicing with it at the ICC in Milpitas Friday night, just to be ready.

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 01:26

The B and C matches in the OPEN SINGLES RR are the pivotal ones, with two players advancing. Sean O'Neill pointed out to us a few years ago that ITTF requires B/C as the final match when 2 advance, and they are weighted with drama, fer sure. ;-)

Jiaqi and Sara will play the women's final when the RR groups are done.

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 01:30

I have to confess..6:30PM and the last event RR'd about to start, the 2375...and we feel like we've earned dinner at the desk. ;-) Man..lots of matches served today!

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 01:57

U-1100 Champion Rohit Kapur d. Omkar Raje, 3,6,10,4. Rohit gets the bigger trophy in the last time he'll be eligible for this event. ;-)

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 02:25

Liang Qing Wen wins the Boys U-13, defeating Brian Chen, 9,-10,5,-11,9,11

Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 02:33

Wilson Zhang and Jeff Lin Huang defend their seeding and advance to the Sunday QF's

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 02:46

Gao Yan Jen goes 3-0, Jiaqi Zheng is 2-1 in their groups to advance to the QF's

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 03:30

Mark Hazinski was 3-0 and Samson Dubina 2-1 to advance to the QF...John Leach upset Fred Gabriel to come third.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 03:40

U-1550 Champion Andrew Lin, Finalist Jerome Poon

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 03:41

Joey Hu won the U-2250 in Seven games against Mike Sung,

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 03:59

Dan Goodwin defaults to Sonny Baboo in the U-2000. Dan, an exhausted player, sweat dripping from his skull, said that a series of seven game wins on his way to the final left him unable to continue. Lack of electrolytes will get, every time.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by divineroodog - 2007/10/21 04:02

The last open group?
Love you Alan!

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 04:12

Sara Fu led 8-2 and 10-5 in the sixth game, but Jiaqi Zhang had an amazing comeback to take game 6 and the Women's Title 4 games to 2.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 04:18

I hate it when players leave results at the table. ;-) And then leave blank games scores. But when the dust has settled its Shen Hailong first Du Cheng Yi second.

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Open Singles Draw

1PM

Wilson Zhang vs. Jiaqi Zheng

Samson Dubina vs. Shen Hailong

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Gao Yan Jun vs Jeff Lin Huang

Du Cheng Yi vs. Mark Hazinski

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 04:28

Andre Scott just delivered his personal appraisal of the most desirable women in Table Tennis. Wow. Can you imagine the amount of thought that he's put into that?

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 04:32

Thats a wrap for tonight...of course everyone on the east coast except Larry B. has been asleep for hours anyway.. ;-)

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 15:07

And Sunday begins...with Doubles and lots of them!

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 17:29

The U-1700 and U-22 events are launched, as well as the Over 40...Misha will get to his U-2375 Semi as soon as his doubles are finished.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 17:35

Jason Shim d. Tu Troung Manh in one U-2375 Semi, 10,7,-10,-7,10,7. Misha is now playing Miss Ohno, the slick Japanese player from USC. Lots of Ping Pong Posse shirts around the venue!

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 18:11

Misha defeats Sayuri Ohno in straight games and now plays Jason Shim in the U-2375 Final.

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The player reaction to the new doubles rotation that was used here is not positive. Bruce Liu points out that the right-handed player serving from the left court is hardpressed to vacate space for his right-handed partner to play anything but backhand against the service return. He feels this is a deep disadvantage. Other players described the system as hard to remember, anti-intuitive and confusing. Those are remarks similar to one written on my 8th grade report card, so a bit of nostalgia for me.

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Misha Kazantsev is the U-2375 Champion, in five games over Jason Shim of WA. 7,8,-9,7 and 8.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 20:03

Open Doubles Champions Du Cheng Yi and Jeff Huang defeated Gao Yan Jun and Yang Liu, 7,6,8.

Open singles QF's have begun.

Wilson vs. Jiaqi

Samson vs. Shen Hailong

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 20:41

Wilson Zhang in straight games over Zheng Jiaqi, and Shen Hailong d. Samson Dubina 4 games to 0. \$160 to both Samson and Jiaqi, Wilson and Shen are now guaranteed at least \$400 as JOOLA Tour Final Semi-Finalists,

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 20:44

Du Cheng Yi and Mark Hazinski are underway, with Jeff Huang playing Gao Yan Jun

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 21:05

U-4200 Doubles honors go to Tarry Tam and Su Quanying, 3 games to 1 over Sung Shing Li and Li Tzu Ying

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 21:06

Gao Yan Jun withstands a late charge by Jeff Huang to advance to the semifinals, 4,8,2,-4,-5,8

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 22:01

Du Cheng Yi and Mark Hazinski met again, as they did in the Finals of the LifeWest Open, and again it took all Mark's skills to survive the encounter. Mark wins, 10,8,-9,-8,9, 13-11 in the sixth game after Hazinski had built a 10-6 lead. Hazinski makes the Semi.

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Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 22:02

Wilson Zhang and Shen Hailong begin the first of our back to back semifinals. Hazinski and Gao Yan Jun to follow.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/21 22:24

Wilson Zhang in straight games defeats Shen Hailong...Wilson is so strong, too strong for Shen in their first meeting!

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by lbavly - 2007/10/21 23:56

Congrats to Wilson Zhang! Joola Tour Finals Champion.

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Re:JOOLA Tour Finals Progress Reports

Posted by alantabletennis - 2007/10/22 00:11

Mark Hazinski lost to Gao Yan Jun in 5 games, 10,6,-9,8,7 and Wilson d. gao -8,4,7,9,4. time to load the truck..see you st home!
