

Monday Night Darts

The Herne Bay & District Winter Darts League started 2018 with the quarter-finals of the Ken Cattell Team Cup K/O and there was a shock as Division One side, Angling Club "A" knocked out Premier Division side Smugglers Inn "A". The Smugglers who went into the match unbeaten and having made the last four cup finals, winning two of them, fielded a depleted side and the Anglers showed no mercy as they won all three pairs games to open up a 3-0 lead. The Anglers then followed that up by winning both threes games to take a commanding 5-0 away lead. The Anglers did not have to wait long to secure the win, man of the match Mike Brett winning the opening singles game to secure the match win at 6-0. Debutant Tim Baker Snr pulled one back for the Smugglers, only to see wins from Anglers duo, Luke Adby and George Grosvenor put the Anglers 8-1 up. The last two singles games were evenly won by the two sides, Richard Lee for the Smugglers and Kevin Moran for the Anglers.

In an all Premier Division clash, the Angling Club "B" hosted the Divers Arms and the match was a closely fought encounter at the start, with the Divers taking a 3-2 lead into the singles games. Opening singles wins from Jason Adby and skipper Paul Knight put the Divers in control at 5-2. Mark Sayer won the next singles game to secure the win at 6-2 and a place in the semi-finals. The Divers won the last three singles games through Liam Moran, Mark Roberts and Anthony Crocker. Highlights saw Liam Moran mark a perfect debut with a 148 checkout in a man of the match display.

Cup holders Smugglers Inn "B" eased into the semi-finals with an 11-0 away win over Division One's Catholic Club. Leading 5-0, an opening singles win from skipper Chris Dadd secured the win at 6-0. The Smugglers wrapped up the win with further singles wins from man of the match Jordan Dadd, Joe Ralph, Richard Stevens, Keith Ralph and Benn Swinfield.

In the second all Premier Division clash, the Hampton Inn ran out 11-0 away victors in a fine victory over the Chislet Colliery Club. The game was closer than the score-line suggests, with only three games not being 2-1. The Hampton went into the singles 5-0 up and Clive Johnson won the opening singles game to book his teams place in the last four game. Further singles wins from Steve Coker, player of the match Stacey Dawkins, skipper Peter Furner, Paul Dawkins and Steve Moys rounded off the result. Highlights saw the Chislet gain some consolation with maximum 180's from Terry Longland and David Hards, while Hampton's Stacey Dawkins and Clive Johnson also both weighed in maximum 180's and their team-mate Paul Dawkins checked out on 123.

Results...Monday 8th January 2018

Ken Cattell Team Cup K/O Quarter-Finals

Angling Club "B"	2-9	Divers Arms
Catholic Club	0-11	Smugglers Inn "B"
Chislet Colliery Club	0-11	Hampton Inn
Smugglers Inn "A"	2-9	Angling Club "A"

100 plus checkouts:

148-Liam Moran; 123-Paul Dawkins

Maximum 180's:

1-Stacey Dawkins; 1-David Hards; 1-Clive Johnson; 1-Terry Longland