

GASP! GARTH TAKES IT OUT: SHOCKS ALL

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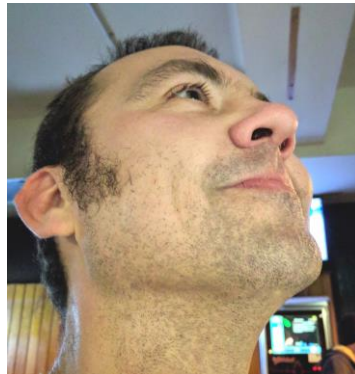
Finally coming back from his cruel loss in 2014 when the Nick Power Cup was literally wrenched from his grasp in a surprise reversal of decision owing to a massive cock-up with the scoring, Garth went into the 2017 NPC with a dogged determination rarely witnessed in these circles.

In what some saw as a reprisal attack on one of the officials responsible for the 2014 maladministration affair, Garth stealthily took out Dean (2016 NPC winner) in the 1st round in a tightly-fought battle on the now skanky and heavily beer-stained green felt. Garth went on to demolish Geoff, Phil P and then Dave G in the final, thrusting himself on top of the table with renewed vigour.



Above: Garth just as surprised as everyone after he pulled it off on the table.

Dave G, adopting a whole new strategy this year, decided to ditch his unlucky headband and settle for a more conventional playing approach, the use of pool skills, a concept that Dave had never really seemed to fully grasp nor understand the importance of. This new tactic apparently paid off to some degree as he moved through the ranks into the final with Garth.



Above: Dave G appearing a little smug with his new headbandless strategy.

Peter T enjoyed a blisteringly slick 1st game against the luckless Lobster (a.k.a. Andy) with 6 pots in a row on his first run at a table since last year's NPC. Alas, his fortunes came to an abrupt halt in the 2nd round perhaps as a result of discovering the new line-up of craft beers at the bar. Whilst Lobster clawed his way to last place he did, however, narrowly dodge a humiliating pants-down circuit around the table.

Highlighting the ease at which high-rollers can be toppled from their perches, Dean (NPC winner 2016) spectacularly crashed to the bottom half of the scorecard. It's rumoured the Dean '17 cheer squad was thoroughly deflated by the result.



Above: Dean, 2016 NPC winner, a little despondent after his 1st round knockout.

After travelling from the outback, some say by camel, John L certainly looked like he

really did have the hump after being dismissed in his first and only scoring game of the night, and potentially of the year.

Rest assured that our always-vigilant roving correspondent will be on the scene to bring you more breaking news as it happens in the sporting world's toughest challenge between the very best and most talented players in their elite field.

NPC 2017 RESULTS

The results of the 1st round of the 2017 Nick Power Cup are:

name	total	week 1	week 2	week 3
GARTH	40	40		
DAVE G	39	39		
JUSTIN	30	30		
PETER T	23	23		
GEOFF	23	23		
CHRIS	22	22		
DEAN	15	15		
JOHN L	14	14		
SMOKIN' JOE	14	14		
PHIL P	13	13		
SAMMY	13	13		
BIRD LOBSTER	9	9		

The Glebe Globe extends its heartiest congratulations to **Garth**, the 2017 NPC 1st round winner! Good luck to all for the remaining rounds of the NPC for this and every subsequent year!

HPDP WEBSITE

The HPDP.org.au website is currently down for "out-of-season maintenance". The HPDP web team is expected to bring the site back up again "at some stage in the near or distant future". In the interim, the Glebe Globe will continue to bring you the latest results.

VENUE UPDATES

The Bald Faced Stag Hotel, Parramatta Road, Leichhardt, has recently undertaken some significant changes to both its beer and entertainment line-up.

After being taken over by new owners 6 months ago, the beer selection now includes 6 rotating taps featuring local Inner West breweries. This supplements the 6 slop taps featuring the same old boring shit of days gone by.

Also changed is the music line-up. Gone are the grey-haired wrinkly bands pumping out high-decibel country and 70's rock covers. This has been replaced by younger musos including school-aged kids cranking out... well, the sort of genres you would expect from that demographic.

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