



English Amateur Final

Leo Fernandez 2-9 Jack Lisowski

Jack Lisowski beat Leo Fernandez 9-2 to become English Amateur Champion and add his name to a long and illustrious list of names.

Jack Lisowski looked impressive in taking a 6-2 lead at the end of the first session of the English Amateur Championship final. Lisowski, who has already qualified for the main tour next season via the PIOS tour, was playing in his last Amateur match before turning professional.

Lisowski won the first frame with a break of 55, and took a close second from 59 points behind. A break of 90 gave Jack a 3-0 lead before Fernandez finally got a frame on the board with a break of 48.

After the interval, Leo started to play a little better and took the 5th frame to make it 3-2. However Lisowski made a 62 break in the sixth frame to take back the advantage and he won the next two to take a 6-2 lead going into the final session.

Coming into the second session, it seemed highly likely that Lisowski would lift the title and that's exactly how it went. Jack never really looked in any trouble, making 37, 104 and 41 breaks to win 9-2.

After the match, runner up Leo Fernandez said "I could have been 5-3 up at the break, the run of the balls was massively unlucky for me today. It's a real achievement though, after being told by doctors I would never play again when I broke my ankle a few years ago."

New English Amateur champion Jack Lisowski said "It feels brilliant to be the champion, I can remember watching the final a few years ago and thinking I would never get that good so to win it is great"

"My main goal for next season is simply to survive and stay on the tour. The scholarship helped me improve massively and finishing top of the PIOS rankings has given me lots of confidence, however all the hard works starts now.

Frame Scores (Fernandez first)

11-74(55), 65(60)-68(31), 7-90(90), 66(48)-28, 74(30,40)-30(30), 27-63(62), 0-90(45,45), 60(32)-64, 44-64(37), 9-104(103), 37(35)-64(41)

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