

## WEEK # 1 UPDATE



Kia Ora all,

It gives me great joy to recount the kickoff of Thump Sports Super Series Twentyten played at Tawa last night. In the shortened format that has been adopted for this season, there is little room for a slow start, but I fear New Zealand has dug their own grave in this regard; with two fill-ins for the side losing. Of course, Stonny's recent history of, if not winning the wooden spoon, then at least playing in the wooden spoon match is legendary; so the odds were never in NZ's favour for this event.

Starting off, Taito Kupes went down to Papa Millar in a tough 4, which was quickly followed by Hone MacK giving Andrew one of this finest triumphs, nay scratch that, arguably his *only* triumph for the season to date in a thrilling 5 setter, ensuring the Netherlands got off to a fine start indeed. Skirted supersub Dave Hand later accounted for debutant Hannah Grimmitt (that's pronounced *Grimmay* if you were wondering), contributing to a 3-1 team victory.

Speaking of Brazil the young side got off to a steady start. Sporting 3 debutants, as well as the tension of budding romance within the side, they had 3 wins. The SS Biz lumbered around the court with his wide turning circle to eventually dispose of a scratchy B'diz. Debutants Tapurau and R. Barnett were also both victorious, which created a nice wee symmetric to fit in with the aforementioned rumoured romance.

Finally on court toru Italy was playing Mexico which brought to the crowd a mouth watering, much anticipated, showdown between the two captains, Messrs Love and Atkins. Sammy recorded an upset win in 4, providing C. Love with not only his first loss to a cack-hander for the year, but also his first loss to a man with an arse accounting for less than 30% of their body weight as well. I feel for you bra, noone could ever have seen such a blindside coming. Other notable victories were Alex C-G, proving that he is more than the wet wall specialist that Khandallah had threatened to render him as, in beating Ash Ranchhod.

Congratulations to Andrew Smith for winning the sweepstake, and to Sam Atkins and Dave hand for winning sweet Thump Sports prizes for their impressive victories and apparel. For future weeks pull off a big win, or dress as your team and you too could be enjoying the fruits of Thumps Sports's's's's's generosity! A big thanks also to the ladies in the kitchen last night. The feed was top notch. Even Sammy couldn't find voice to complain about it. Though this may have had less to do with the food, and more to do with what he is rumoured to have done to Love in return for Love letting him win. Reach-around people. It was a reach-around, and looking at the size of Corey I think we can all sympathise with the subdued Sammy that was at supper as he struggled to recount what he had seen in the changing rooms up close.

Next week we are at Island Bay, but if you think you are playing someone from your club, then by all means be antisocial and play it at home. Cause that is the reason Super Series was created and maintained. Oh, no, wait, silly me. That's crazy behaviour that loses each participant a Queen Elizabeth under what has come to be known as Part 1, Amendment 3e of the Trask Act.

Speaking of which, in the democratic world we live in, the Brothers Pittams would love any ideas on the appropriate punishment for such behaviour, over and above the monetary formality.

- A) On report for dangerous/reckless high tackle, threatening the livelihood of the Super Series - whereby each is called into a judiciary hearing and sentences handed down. History suggests a 7-12 year suspension.
- B) Punishment by whipping. One lashing from each who turned up at Tawa - I know this sounds appealing, but we must remember the two to be punished, and conclude they would invariably enjoy such a practice
- C) Just hit reply all and surprise me.

Anyway, if there is anything I have missed then please do NOT hesitate to friend request Jess Wilson, who is sure to have covered anything in one of her 7 status updates this morning.

Order next week is 4 2 1 3. So wahine please be there in time to sweepstake, and then be on court by 7, which given how incredibly long it usually takes you all to get ready means be there by like 5.30-5.40.

**[See all the Results below for week # 1](#)**



Thump Sports Super Series 2010

Round	1	2	3	4	5	
Date	15/07/2010	22/07/2010	29/07/2010	5/08/2010	13/08/2010	TOTAL
Location	Tawa	Island Bay	Upper Hutt	Thorndon	Khandallah	
Brazil	10					11
Italia	10					4
Mexico	9					14
Netherlands	6					11
New Zealand	6					6
North Korea	6					5

Points

- +1 point per game
- +1 Point for overall win
- +1 point for 4-0 drubbing

NB the opinions and dirty (bordering upon insane) references contained in this e-mail to Corey's wang and an unnamed individual's glutes are not necessarily those of the sender, and could well be those of a very strange little man. Called Biz.