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Trillus vs Damsbo

Flex-Fletch Pro-Staff members take Gold and Bronze in Germany

Dietmar Trillus of Canada, and Martin Damsbo of Denmark, using FFP187 vanes on their arrows, took home gold and bronze medals at the 2007 Outdoor Archery World Championships July 7-15 in Leipzig, Germany.

Dietmar Trillus has been a friend and Pro-Staff shooter for Flex-Fletch for many years and is a very accomplished archer. His path to the gold was precarious to say the least.

Martin Damsbo has impressed Flex-Fletch since joining the Flex-Fletch Pro-Staff in 2005. His ability and drive have brought this young archer to be viewed as one of the best archers in the world.

Semi-Finals Trillus/Damsbo (Men's Individual compound)

In the semi-finals Dietmar was up against a fierce competitor, Flex-Fletch's own Martin Damsbo. Dietmar took the first end by one point 28-29. A tense second end with 29 points apiece and Trillus kept his advantage. It proved that only the one point would separate them at the end of the match and Dietmar would win 114-113.

Bronze Medal Round

Martin Damsbo is a fierce competitor and stayed in the race for the bronze. Martin Damsbo would face Spaniard José Duo. Damsbo would take the first end 9-10-10 to the Spaniard's 9-9-9, a two-point lead for the young Damsbo. Both archers followed with a 10-10-9 meaning Damsbo kept his lead. Now, with the score at 58-56 Martin Damsbo shot a 9-9-10 to the Spaniards 9-9-9. The score: 86-83, advantage

Damsbo. With José Duo now trailing by three, Duo could only hope for mistakes from Damsbo. Martin did not let up and opened with a 10, followed by a 10 from Duo. The next arrow from each found the 9 and the archers were still separated by 3 points. It would take a total meltdown by Martin Damsbo for Duo to catch him and Damsbo was not about to oblige. The final arrows were 10 by Damsbo and 9 by José Duo.

Final score: 115-111. Damsbo wins.

Semi-Finals Gellenthien/Duo

The semi-finals between Braden Gellenthien and José Duo were tough, with the USA's Gellenthien scoring two perfect rounds. Gellenthien won the match 117-114 and moved to the gold medal round against Canada's Dietmar Trillus.

Braden Gellenthien

Gold Medal Round

The gold medal round was an extremely close encounter. Gellenthien opened with a 10-10-9. Trillus, perhaps a little nervous after opening his end with a 9, followed in true form with 10-10, tying the score at 29. 28 points apiece in the second end keeps the score tied and the archers each have 57. Determined to put each other off their game, both archers' shot perfect scores of 10-10-10 in the third and the score remains tied, 87-87. With three arrows to go the pressure is on. Gellenthien's first two arrows are 10-10 and Trillus drops one point by shooting a 9-10. Gellenthien's final arrow of the end is a 9 however and Trillus comes back to tie the score with a 10. The score is now 116-116 and a shoot-off is required.

The Shoot-Off

Gellenthien shot first in the shoot-off and missed the 10 scoring a 9. The door to victory was open, however slightly, for Flex-Fletch's Dietmar Trillus who shot a 10 on his final arrow to win the shoot-off. Dietmar Trillus wins!