



KINGS AUSTRALIA CUP - SNOOKER TOURNAMENT RESULTS – 2010
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TOURNAMENT REPORT: VINNIE CALABRESE STEALS KINGS CUP 2010

A magical 69 clearance in the final deciding frame by Vinnie Calabrese (known to his friends as the 'Big Easy') allowed him to steal victory from the jaws of defeat and claim the title of Kings Cup Snooker Champion 2010 in downtown Dingley (Melbourne) at the weekend. It was a sublime clearance under maximum pressure to win the tournament and the title in a single visit. Highest quality snooker from a rising young Australian star.

The final saw Vinnie pitted against experienced campaigner, Steve Mifsud. The match started with a bang from Vinnie when he compiled a 50 plus break in the first frame in less than three minutes. The second frame was a similar story and it looked as if Vinnie was about to run away with the match. But Steve Mifsud had other ideas and he stopped the rot by winning the next two frames with a combination of exceptional long potting and pinpoint cue-ball control. But the 'Big Easy' was not to be denied and in the next, he put together a 65 quick-fire break to get his nose in front once again and lead 3-2, needing just one more for victory. Yet again back came Steve to win the next comfortably with several small contributions to level the best of seven frames match at 3-3!

Thus a deciding frame was required to determine the winner. Vinnie decided to attack almost any ball on and one risky shot in particular let Steve in, who carefully built a commanding lead. In front, 50 - 7, Mifsud made an rare error and like a panther Vinnie pounced. Looking as if he had nothing to lose, Calabrese produced snooker from the Gods to take the frame, match and title. To win the tournament with such nonchalant ease was something very special. The 'Big Easy' made it look all too easy. Congratulations Vinnie!

The cheering Kings crowd of well over 100 gave Vinnie Calabrese (NSW) an ovation.

Tournament High Break went to Rudy Sulaeman with a 109. The Kings Encouragement Award went to qualifier , Steve Hanna (Liverpool, England). A total of 114 players entered the event, including 15 players from interstate.



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Kings Australia Cup Snooker 2010 – Steve Mifsud and Vinnie Calabrese (right) shake hands before the match.


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FINAL MATCH SCORESHEET

 **VINNIE** v **STEVE**

BREAKS	SCORE	BREAKS	SCORE
(53)	1 * 87		1 9
	2 * 71		2 31
	3 17		3 * 58
	4 28		4 * 79
(65)	5 * 74		5 29
	6 10		6 * 58
(69)	7 * 76		7 50
FRAMES WON	4	FRAMES WON	3

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