

ANDY 'THE HAMMER' HAMILTON

Andy's Stats

NAME: Andy Hamilton

NICKNAME: The Hammer

RANKED: 11th (Jan 14)

D.O.B: 16-03-1967

BORN: England

HOMETOWN: Stoke-on-Trent

WIFES NAME: Kate

DARTS SPONSOR: Unicorn

DARTS USED: 23g Unicorn



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THERE HAS NEVER BEEN A BETTER TIME TO GET INVOLVED IN THE WORLD OF DARTS.

Darts is the fastest growing UK sport and as such is the second most watched sport on TV attracting up to 1 million viewers (Sky Sports and ITV4).

An estimated 7 million people in the UK have played darts, with 2 million of these playing regular in organised events.

The popularity of live darts is apparent with venues selling out to upwards of 12,000 fans.

Darts is also the fastest growing sport in many countries.

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ABOUT ANDY HAMILTON

ANDY STARTED PLAYING DARTS AT THE AGE OF 16, PLAYING COUNTY LEVEL FOR CHESHIRE, UNSURE OF HIS ABILITY TO PURSUE A CAREER AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL HE STOPPED PLAYING COMPETITIVE DARTS FOR 20 YEARS.

On return Andy made his television debut at the UK Open Championship in 2004, now ranked number eleven the world Andy has never looked back.

A semi-finalist in his debut season in the McCoy's Premier League Darts, Andy Hamilton enjoyed a memorable campaign in 2012 as he thrilled crowds across the UK & Ireland with his performances.

The Stoke star was a Wildcard selection for last year's Premier League, but finished third after taking points from nine of his 14 league games, and it took a nine-darter from Simon Whitlock to help see him off in the semi-finals.

After making a winning start with a victory over James Wade on the opening night in Manchester, Andy's never-say-die attitude was epitomised by him drawing five league games during the campaign.

THOSE TYPES OF PERFORMANCES HAVE BEEN EVIDENT THROUGHOUT THE PAST DECADE SINCE ANDY – A FORMER ELECTRICIAN AND PUBLICAN – TURNED PROFESSIONAL IN 2004 AFTER QUALIFYING FOR THE UK OPEN, AND HE WAS A QUARTER-FINALIST IN HIS FIRST WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP.

He reached four televised semi-finals inside the next 18 months – including at the World Matchplay – during a rapid rise to the top of the sport, which was confirmed when he qualified for his maiden major final at the 2007 Grand Slam of Darts, where Stoke rival Phil Taylor took victory.

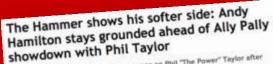
Andy also won his first ranking title in 2007 at a Players Championship in Gibraltar, a success which he followed up later that year in a UK Open Qualifier.

A semi-finalist in the 2009 World Grand Prix, Hamilton's run to the same stage of the World Matchplay two years later has been the kick-start for the second phase of his career, maintaining his status amongst the world's top 16 at the time.

That was followed at the end of 2011 by a run to the final of the World Championship, Andy's second major final where he took on a Stoke rival as this time Adrian Lewis denied him a big title.

ANDY HAS CONTINUED HIS GREAT RUN OF FORM INTO 2013 BEATING BOTH JAMES WADE AND RAYMOND VAN BARNEVELD ON ROUTE TO THE FINAL OF THE 2013 UK OPEN.

The experience of competing on the McCoy's Premier League Darts stage has proven vital in his achievements since last season in runs to at least the quarter-finals in successive major televised events, including the quarter-final of 2013 Bet Victor World Matchplay, quarter-final of the World Grand Prix and the semi-finals of the Cash Converters Players Championship.



One of darts' biggest hitters plots revenge on Phil "The Power" Taylor after playing Santa to sick children at local hospice





I'll win it for you dad: Andy Hamilton reveals special motivation at PDC Wo The Hammer reveals he wants to win the Sid Waddell trophy in Championships

his father, who died from bowel cancer nine months ago



Bolton News

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On Sunday, February 17, Andy will challenge alloomers at 15 Bravo on sunday, represent 17, what we creating electroness at 15 brave pubs throughout the North West of England including playing at the pubs stroughout the north west or England including paying at the Hilton Park in Twist Lane, Leigh and The Punchbowl, Market Street, Atherton. As proceeds from the tour will go to Haven House Children's

Tickets are avallable from participating venues



Hamilton planning emotional triumph



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"I may have progressed up the ladder to another level of my own bat, but III never forget It was my dad who set me on the road to playing at the world championship." Hamilton, 45, cores from the world's bursten capital Stake on Trent like Potteries world.



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