

25 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP

5-PINS INDIVIDUAL OPEN

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The semi-finalists are determined

The World Championships in 5-Pins billiards are now entering the decisive stage. As of this Friday morning, 32 athletes had still started in Calangianus, Italy, but by the end of the day only four remained.

A great tournament continues to be played by Italy's Andrea Quarta and Severino Marchioretto, who both prevailed 4:0 in their quarterfinals. Quarta prevailed against his compatriot Paolo Infortuna, while Marchioretto had Argentina's Gustavo Longo under control at all times.

The reigning world champion **Ciro Davide Rizzo**, on the other hand, lost the fourth set in the Italian duel with **Paolo Marcolin**, but that did not upset him. He came out on top again in the fifth set and booked his place in tomorrow's semifinals.

The most exciting match was undoubtedly the fourth quarterfinal between **Natalino Scorza** (Italy) and the last Argentine in the field, **Ricardo Dieguez**. The latter led 3:1 sets after losing the first set, before Scorza had a great comeback and levelled the match.

So the last set had to decide. Scorza got off to the better start and took a 16:3 and 29:10 lead. But Dieguez did not give up reduced the score to 31:35 and later to 39:45. The Argentinean then even took the lead with eleven points at 50:45 before Scorza turned the tables again.

The tension was now palpable and both players knew that they could not afford any more mistakes. And exactly this mistake was made by the Italian, who actually scored, but his cue ball also went through the pins, so that the points went to the Argentinean. **Ricardo Dieguez** thus prevented an all-Italian semi-final.

Earlier, in the round of 16, the Italian delegation was still represented by a total of eleven athletes, but **Santi Caratozzolo** and **Matteo Guallemi**, among others, had to admit defeat here. The reigning European Vice-Champion **Kasper Kristoffersen** from Denmark was also stopped.



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he former pool-player lost to Severino Marchioretto with 1:4 sets. Best Uruguayan was Diego Capote, who was defeated 0:4 by Paolo Infortuna.

Daniela Ricardo Lopez was already eliminated in the first round. The Italian had to admit defeat in a thriller against Gustavo Longo (Argentina) with 3:4. The last set went 60:49 to the South American.

The new world champion will now be determined on Saturday. The semifinals are scheduled for 10:00 a.m and 01:00 p.m., before the grand final will start at 06:30 p.m.

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