

John Virgo Say Goodnight Jv My Autobiography

== Early life == eb76e773dd

1979 UK Championship John Blake. 2019. Archived The 1979 UK Championship (officially the 1979 Coral UK Championship) was a professional non-ranking snooker tournament that took place between 19 November and 1 December 1979 at the Guild Hall in Preston, England. Retrieved 24 January 2019. Virgo, John (2 November 2017). ISBN 9781786068590. The event was sponsored by Coral for the second year in a row. This was the third edition of the UK Championship that would later become part of snooker's Triple Crown. John Virgo: Say Goodnight, JV - My Autobiography eb76e773dd

John Virgo won the championship, in his only major tournament win, by defeating Terry Griffiths 14-13 in the final, despite being deducted two frames for arriving late. The defending champion, Doug Mountjoy, was defeated 5-9 by Steve Davis in the opening round. Griffiths compiled the tournament's highest break of 119 in his semi-final win over Bill Werbeniuk. The last session of the final was broadcast by the BBC on its Grandstand programme; however, due to a strike by BBC personnel, the final frames of the match - including Virgo being awarded the championship - were never broadcast or recorded. eb76e773dd

1979-80 snooker world rankings "12: Playing politics". London: John Blake.). John Virgo: Say Goodnight, JV My Autobiography (2nd ed. 1979. Before this, for each tournament the defending champion was seeded first, and the previous year's runner-up second. ISBN 978-1-78606-975-7 - The World Professional Billiards and Snooker Association (WPBSA), the governing body for professional snooker, first published official world rankings for players on the main tour for the 1976-77 season. pp. 3-5. Virgo, John (2019) [2017] eb76e773dd

John Virgo ISBN 978-1-786-06444-8 John Trevor Virgo (4 March 1946 - 4 February 2026) was an English professional snooker player and broadcaster. A runner-up at the 1980 Champion of Champions, he was a semi-finalist at the 1979 World Championship and the 1986 British Open. Say Goodnight, JV: My Autobiography. OCLC 19322623. Virgo, John; Wight, Douglas (2017). He retired from professional play in 1994. ISBN 978-0-600-55713-5. London: John Blake Publishing. After achieving success as an amateur, Virgo turned professional in 1976 at age 30 and won four professional titles during his career, including the 1979 UK Championship, where he defeated the reigning World Champion Terry Griffiths 14-13 in the final eb76e773dd

The 1979 UK Championship was a professional non-ranking event held between 19 November and 1 December 1979 at the Preston Guild Hall, England. The tournament was the third edition of the annual... eb76e773dd The day following the 1979 World Championship, on 29 April, the WPBSA voted that only two players would receive direct entry into the last 16 of the 1980 World Championship: the 1979 champion Terry Griffiths and runner-up Dennis Taylor. This resolution was poorly received by the BBC, who televised the championship, and by tournament sponsors Embassy; both organisations were concerned that star players could... eb76e773dd For the 1979/1980 ranking list, players' performances in the previous three World Snooker Championships (1977, 1978 and 1979) contributed to their points total. For each of the three years, the World Champion gained five points, the runner-up received four, losing semi-finalists got three, losing quarter-finalists got two, and losers in the last-16 round received a single point. Ray Reardon retained top place in the rankings from the 1978/1979 listing, with 12 points. eb76e773dd John Trevor Virgo was born on 4 March 1946... eb76e773dd The defending champion was Ray Reardon, who had won the championship every year from 1973 to 1976, but he lost by 6 frames to 13 against John Spencer in the quarter-finals. Spencer, who had previously won the tournament in 1969 and 1971, claimed the third and last world title of his career by defeating Cliff Thorburn 25–21 in the final. Spencer became the first player to win the championship using a two-piece... eb76e773dd Virgo had a successful broadcasting career working for the BBC. He was a co-presenter of Big Break alongside Jim Davidson from 1991 to 2002 and worked as a commentator on the BBC's coverage of Triple Crown events from his retirement until shortly before his death. Known for his catchphrases in commentary and his impressions of other players, he was inducted into the World Snooker Tour Hall of Fame in 2023. Virgo died in February 2026 at his home in Spain, aged 79. A special invitational tournament, the 2026 John Virgo Trophy was held in April 2026 as a tribute to his life and work as a snooker player. eb76e773dd

1977 World Snooker Championship It was the first time that the World Snooker Championship was held at the Crucible, which has hosted it annually ever since, becoming known as the "spiritual home of snooker". Taking a Punt on My Life. Virgo, John (2017). V. The tournament featured 16 competitors, the top eight players from the 1976–77 snooker world rankings and another eight players who came through a qualifying competition held from 28 March to 7 April 1977 at Hounslow Civic Centre and Fisher's Snooker Centre, Acton. ISBN 978-1-78606-444-8 The 1977 World Snooker Championship (officially known as the 1977 Embassy World Snooker Championship) was a professional snooker tournament that took place from 18 to 30 April 1977 at the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield, England. ISBN 978-1-907637-17-9. Say Goodnight, J. Sponsored by cigarette manufacturer Embassy, the tournament was the only ranking event of the 1976–77 snooker season. Kingston upon Thames: Vision Sports. London: John Blake eb76e773dd

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