Maltese Master Andrew off to darts Q School

Edinburgh postman Andrew Davidson, 29, continues to deliver on the darts oche and is off to qualifying school in Milton Keynes on 6 January hoping to move a step nearer competing among the arrows elite.

The year ended well for Andrew — he has taken effectively a work sabbatical to see where his darts talent takes him — when following up success in the Welsh Open with victory in the Maltese Masters tournament at which he won the Pairs (with Owen Whiteside) the previous day.

"I'm coming into form at the right time for a week long qualifying school and there could be around 20-25 cards up for grabs depending on how many players have been able to maintain their ranking over a two year period" says Andrew

November couldn't have gone any better for the ex-George Heriot's School student with the Maltese sojourn in which he also reached the semi-final of their Open earning him around f2,000.

The chance to boost his current WDF ranking of 31 would likely enable him to reach world championships at Lakeside, Surrey, late in 2025.

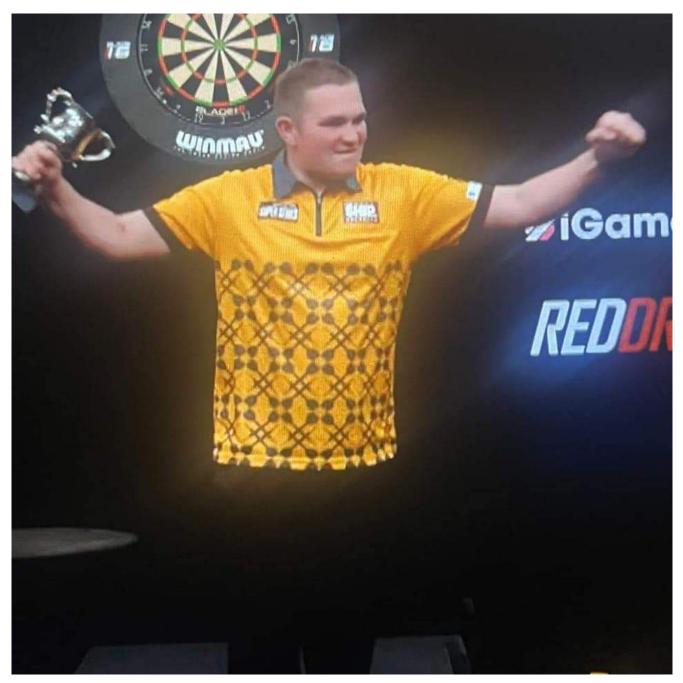
Andrew feels he is hitting his strides at an exciting time for

the sport, too, thanks to 17-year-old Luke Littler commanding so much attention.

"The viewing figures when Luke reached the (PDC) final against Luke Humphries were the highest recorded for a Sky Sports event outwith football" says Andrew.

"He is making darts appeal to more and more people and that has got to be good news for the sport."

And up-and-comings like Andrew Davidson who initially intended a six month sabbatical but now feels encouraged to give himself more opportunities, full time.



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