

Jo Does it again

The report below comes from the Bowls Australia web site

For a lady who has backed off the intense level of International Bowls Jo is achieving wonderful results

"Edwards claims World Cup"

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NZ's Jo Edwards has beaten Australia's Karen Murphy in the World Cup final...

As far as losses go, this one is bound to hurt.

For a successive year, Australian superstar Karen Murphy entered the World Cup final against New Zealand's Jo Edwards with an unblemished record to her name, but try as she might, she was unable to secure the ultimate prize.

While last year's match came down to the final bowl of the tie-break, today's was just as painful, with Edwards fighting

her way back from a 2-8 deficit midway through the second set to snatch a 7-4, 8-8 win.

Having reached the semi-finals in 2008, Murphy's overall record at the tournament is a staggering 28-4, but that win/loss ratio will serve as little consolation for the world number five, who has dreamt about claiming the crown in her own backyard for as long as she can remember.

During the opening set, Murphy could not take a trick, with the rub of the green escaping her, a far cry from yesterday's match against Siti Zalina Ahmad when it appeared she could do no wrong.

Slowly, however, the momentum began to change and with the crowd urging her on, the 35-year-old opened up a healthy lead before Edwards rattled off six straight shots, including a triple on the last, to claim back-to-back titles.

Our congratulations Jo from all of us at Burnside

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