

## Storm Vs Whiteknights

15/06/2019

POM: Tara Lacey (Whiteknights)

POM: Clare McCarthy (Storm)

Whiteknights started fast and strong, converting their centre passes and turning over many of Storms'. A tumble from Storm WD Elisa Saunders early in the match, leaving them down a player for a few minutes, helped Whiteknights gain an extra goal or two whilst her injury was tended to. However, Elisa soon returned and fought well in her defending position. The general play from both sides was, at times scrappy with handling errors but with pin-point scoring from the Whiteknights GS, they led the first quarter by 5 goals which ended 12-7.

The slightly scrappy play from the first quarter was still evident as the second quarter progressed. However, a much improved Storm side fought back with the defenders making some great interceptions. Great positioning and shooting in the "D" from GS Kelly Bilverstone saw Whiteknights' lead diminish to nothing leaving the quarter ending level on 19-all.

After half time, it was clear both sides were hungry for a win with both teams making a few changes to their tactics and tightening up on defence. Whiteknights C Tara Lacey performed superbly ensuring a smooth transition up the court to their attacking "D"; consistently in the right place at the right time allowing her team to increase the goal tally. At the other end, Storms' circle defenders GK Katie Allen and GD Clare McCarthy worked harmoniously to put pressure on the Whiteknights attackers and succeeding in many cases preventing them from scoring. Storm put a little breathing space between them and Whiteknights with the third quarter ending with them ahead 33 goals to 30.

Final quarter, final match of the season and still everything to play for! Storm remained tight in defence and accurate with their shooting, aided by some great interceptions and a few unfortunate errors by Whiteknights, they gained some coveted quick turnovers and increased their lead. Whiteknights fought till the very end but it was a determined Storm team that finished triumphant.

Final Score: Storm 44 – Whiteknights 37



## **Razzlers Vs Storm**

11/05/2019

POM: Sophie Georghiou (Razzlers)

POM: Stephanie Daire (Storm)

Both teams started strong with sharp centre passes. With accurate shooting from Sophie Georghiou and Natalie Cox the first quarter ended at a close 12-8 to Razzlers.

Razzlers start to pull away in the second quarter with excellent rebounds from Sophie Georghiou, Storms defence Katie Allen (GK) and Stephanie Daire (GD) keeping the shooters on their toes.

Razzlers manage to keep control of the game with interceptions down the court from Razzel

Ahmed. Finishing the second quarter 30-13

Storm didn't give up, in the third Quarter with Stephanie Daire (GD) having a number of cracking interceptions throughout the quarter earning herself player of the match. Razzlers stormed ahead with great passing down the court from all players finishing on 49-23.

Katie Allen (GK) started the final quarter getting great interceptions and reading the ball well, Storm were unfortunately unable to catch the lead of Razzlers but fought well to the end,

Final Score: Razzlers 65 - Storm 30



## Storm Vs LP Thunder

6/4/2019

POM: Laura Pitcher (LP Thunder)

POM: Katie Allen (Storm)

The game started with a closely fought 1st quarter despite Storm only having 6 players. Both attacks were working the ball into the circle well with great shooting from Jude Taylor & Minny Symondson for Storm, and Jo Purdy and J.Larcombe for LP Thunder. The quarter finished 14-10 to LP Thunder. The 2nd quarter continued to be closely fought with Storm's defence of Katie Allen (POM) and Janice Low coming up with some great interceptions. The half finished 27-18 to LP Thunder.

Coming out for the 2nd half, Storm were back up to their full compliment of 7 players. However this seemed to spur LP Thunder to up their game particularly in defence, where E.Nield and Laura Pitcher (POM) began to consistently disrupt Storm's normal patterns of play in attack. Conversely, LP Thunder continued their consistent attacking play enabling them to pull away on the scoreboard throughout the 3rd and 4th quarters.

Final Score: Storm 32 - LP Thunder 59



#### Storm Vs RG7 Purple

16/2/2019

POM: Joe Starling (RG7 Purple)

POM: Lucy Moores (Storm)

In summary, it was a clean and exciting game between Storm and RG7 purple that was an enjoyable game to both play and watch.

Storm was the strongest team in the first quarter shown by a 4-goal lead. They hit the ground running with a strong centre game with fantastic feeds into the scoring circle. They converted all their goals with terrific long shots from Storm's GA Symondson.

The second quarter saw RG7 coming back fighting to even the score. They brought a different stratagem in their defence to mark the strong players and towards the tall Storm GS Taylor in the shooting circle that mixed up the game for Storm.

Storm GA Symondson slipped and fell in the third quarter and was off court to bandage up for 3 of the goals – with 1 of the goals scored by Storm. RG7 attack was very strong, converting the majority of their goals using creative ways to free up in the circle. Storm struggled to bring the ball up into the attack circle that saw RG7 leading by 9 points by the end of this quarter.

The fourth quarter cemented RG7 win showing great play from all players. Storm picked up their game from the previous quarter with amazing interceptions from their defence, but unfortunately, could not close the gap seeing RG7 win by 13 points.

Final Score: Storm 48 - RG7 Purple 61



# **Iswim Theale Vs Storm**

24/11/2018

POM: (Iswim Theale)

POM: (Storm)

Great competitive match which saw storm take the lead 8-4 after first quarter. 2 nd quarter saw storm keep their lead by 2 goals. 3rd quarter had good play from both teams with some good passing and defending by both teams ending in a draw. 4th quarter iSwim Theale managed to take the lead with some great interceptions and defending to win by 7 goals. Very competitive match played in good spirit. Thank.

Final Score: <a href="Iswim Theale 38 - Storm 31">Iswim Theale 38 - Storm 31</a>



## <u>Yateley Vs Storm</u>

02/11/2018

POM: Hannah Johnson (Yateley)

POM: Minny Symondson (Storm)

Due to traffic and injury Yateley had to take to court with only 6 players. Despite being a player down their GS Sophie Georgiou helped get the ball around their goal third to make sure they scored. Fantastic shooting and rebounds from both Sophie and GA Kerry Gomme rarely missing. Storm used the advantage with some equally great shooting from GA Minny Symondson ending the quarter 11-5 to Storm.

Storm started this quarter positively using their unmarked player WD Faye Willcocks to pick up loose balls and intercept down court. Halfway through Yateleys 7th player arrived and Yateley soon picked up momentum winning the quarter. The quarter finished 17-13.

Yateley moved players round and back to their rightful position, however this was storms best quarter. GK Katie Allen and GD Janice Low worked extremely hard in the circle to stop Yateley scoring and jumping for the rebounds. GD Emma Bunyan worked equally as hard at the other end of the court stopping the storm shooters getting near the post forcing the balls in and having to reset the play. Storm won the quarter and the score ended 29-19 to Storm.

Storm struggled in this quarter, but despite the team being tired C Lorraine Cleaver kept momentum going for Storm. Yateleys C Hannah Johnson and WD Phoebe Meeres were intercepting down court and continuing to get the ball down court quickly and efficiently. During the last few minutes, Yateley went ahead and storm worked relentlessly to get the ball back. Despite a final push from both sides, Storm managed to come together and use the umpires calls to gain their first win of the season in Div 2.

Final Score: Yateley 33 - Storm 36



#### Panthers Vs Storm

15/09/2018

POM: Kate Yip (Panthers)

POM: Sasha Billings (Storm)

First game of the season saw Panthers take on newly promoted Storm. Panthers were quick out of the blocks converting their centres and turning over a couple of Storms to put a couple of quick goals on the scoreboard. Storm soon settled and started to find their GS Sandra Gibson and thought back to finish the first quarter 12 goals to 7.

The second quarter was very even with Storms GD and player of the match Sasha Billings and Panthers GD and player of the match Kate Yip both making key interceptions. Storms Centre Lorraine Cleaver and WD Fay Willcock and Panthers Centre Amanda Stevens and WD Vicki Shopland made use of these turn overs seamlessly bring the ball out of defence into attack.

The third Quarter saw Panthers centre court switch about with Carmelle Bell coming is as centre, giving Amanda Stevens a much needed rest. This burst of energy saw Panthers dominate the third quarter, with Panthers GA Nikki Barrie and GS Di Williams hardly missing a goal.

Storm never gave up with GK Katie Allen getting the measure of Panthers attacking circle, and Storms producing some awesome shooting. They were unfortunately unable to catch the lead Panthers had gained throughout the game, but secured a point scoring half panthers score.

Final Score: Panthers 51 - Storm 27