



MATCH REPORT

Laurel Park Thunder Vs Laurel Park Hurricanes

14/11/2018

POM: Julie Larcombe (LP Thunder)

POM: Libby Covell (LP Hurricanes)

Both teams took to the court on a misty Wednesday evening for an LP derby. Hurricanes came out of the starting blocks fast & gained an early lead with strong shooting from attacking combo Covell & Waite. Hurricanes also had strong movement down court & precision feeding from Walmsley & Penny throughout the game.

Thunder defence Corscadden & McDonough worked hard throughout the game to put pressure on Hurricanes attack, trying various different tactic to disturb the play, which lead to them both getting some superb interceptions. Thunders mid court players, Wilson, Harkness & Whitehead worked tirelessly moving down the court & feeding the circle but Hurricanes defence Grindey, Brickley & Maxwell were able to interrupt play throughout.

The last quarter saw both teams go goal for goal, with attacking duo Larcombe & Gillard really getting into their stride. But the early lead from Hurricanes saw them take the win. A very pleasant & fun game between 2 LP teams. A lovely Wednesday for all.

Thank you to all players, supporters, umpires & scorers for a great game.

Final Score: Laurel Park Thunder 21 - Laurel Park Hurricanes 45



MATCH REPORT

Laurel Park Thunder Vs Thunderbirds 1

31/10/2018

POM: Nicole Harkness (LP Thunder)

POM: Yasmin Browne (TB1)

Thunderbirds got off to a flying start with smooth attacking play and a dominant force from defence to assert themselves early taking the first quarter 10-2.

In the second quarter Laurel Park stepped up their game and capitalised on some poor decision making and lazy passes from thunderbirds. Laurel Park Centre and player of the match, Nicole Harkness made some great interceptions and picked up loose balls in mid-court whilst the defensive pairing of Corscadden and Pitcher increased the pressure in the circle drawing the second quarter with 6 goals each leaving the half time score at 16-8.

The third quarter saw the return from injury of long time Thunderbird Anna Kerry enthusiastically coming on at WA and helping to re-energise the attack. With some impressive turn overs from Thunderbirds defence Captain Jo Healing and Laura Alldis, Laurel Park struggled to get the goals as Thunderbirds marched ahead ending quarter 3 25-13.

The last quarter saw incredible play from all of the Thunderbirds squad with support down court from Stacey Delve at WD, patient play from Lolly Barnes at WA and confident shooting from Holly Humphreys and Abbie Walker.

The stand out player with consistently strong play throughout the game was the hard working Yasmin Browne who sadly played her last game for thunderbirds tonight and deservedly took the title of thunderbirds player of the match as her interceptions, speedy pace and pin-point passing helped secure the 37-14 win.

Final Score: Laurel Park Thunder 14 - Thunderbirds 1 37



MATCH REPORT

Laurel Park Thunder Vs RG7 Rockets

19/09/2018

POM: Palmer (LP Thunder)

POM: McDonough (RG7 Rockets)

From the whistle it was clear that this was going to be a fast-paced game with both teams coming out strong and determined. RG7 started to take the lead after capitalising on some missed opportunities from Laurel Park's shooters, bringing the ball patiently down to their attack where Norris (GS) and Palmer (GA and POM) created some well thought through passages of play to enable them to convert to goal. The quarter finished 9-4 to RG7.

A change in attack for Laurel Park saw Gillard move to GA and instantly this opened up more opportunities as she worked concisely with Purdy (GS). The defensive duo of Milne (GD) and Myers (GK) did well to protect the post and forced Laurel Park to move around the circle to find better shooting positions. This quarter saw some very quick and direct play from both teams, with clinical centre passes that were hard to break down. The quarter was much more matched from both teams and finished 16-10 to RG7.

The intensity remained the same going into the third quarter, with very little separating the RG7 centre court of Myers (WA), Maroof (C) and Thompson (WD) from the Laurel Park opposition of West (WA), Harkness (C) and Wilson (WD). RG7 did well to use the width of the court to draw the Laurel Park defenders off the post to create more space in attack. Laurel Park matched this with some fast paced counter attack and some very direct and forward play through the mid court. This prevented RG7 pulling any further ahead, finishing the quarter 21-16 to RG7.

The Laurel Park defence pulled through the last quarter fatigue to make some fantastic interceptions, and took advantage of some silly mistakes from RG7. Having an eighth player in Larcombe made all the difference by having fresh legs on court. Starting the quarter five behind they clawed back to within 1. The defensive duo of McDonough (GD and POM) and Corscadden (GK) moved around the circle effortlessly making vision difficult for RG7. Unfortunately there just weren't enough minutes on the clock for Laurel Park and RG7 came away with a win.

Final Score: Laurel Park Thunder 24 - RG7 Rockets 25



MATCH REPORT

TRBL Vs LP THUNDER

19/09/2018

POM: Florence Wilson (LP Thunder)

POM: Donna Hancock (TRBL)

Game started well goal for goal until Donna Hancock POM GK for TRBL started making interceptions to give them a small margin lead of 3 goals first quarter ended 7-4 to TRBL

With some lovely centre court play from POM Florence Wilson WD and centre Nicole LP were able to get some turnovers to bring it to within 1 goal apart Tilehurst now leading just 10-9

Amazing defence from Tilehurst saw LP unable to find their circle players much in the 3rd and 4th quarters, scoring just one goal each quarter. But Tilehurst were able to capitalise on this and storm ahead with busy quarters ending the game 21 v 11 to Tilehurst!

In worsening rainy conditions, I think all players were happy to call it a day with a friendly cheer and good sportsmanship displayed.

Final Score: TRBL 21 – LP Thunder 11



MATCH REPORT

LP Thunder Vs RG7 Jets

05/09/2018

POM: Nicole Harkness (LP Thunder)

POM: Laura Callaway (RG7 Jets)

Both teams took to the court for the first game of the season with RG7 Jets playing their first game in Div 1.

Thunder came out of the starting blocks fast & gained an early lead with strong shooting from attacking combo Purdy & Larcombe. Thunder defence Pitcher & McDonough placed a lot of pressure on shooters Bell & Hammond which meant Thunder won the first quarter 13 – 2.

The second quarter saw changes made by both teams & RG7 Jets interrupting the passage of play for Thunder, forcing mid court players Gillard, Wilson & Harkness change tactic to get the ball down the court. The game continued with some fantastic interceptions from both sides with RG7 defenders Mullen, Callaway & Hodgson making it hard work for Thunder attack to get the ball into the circle, however, Whitehead & Harkness worked hard to feed accurately & confidently. RG7 Wilkinson, Hunt & Duncan-Brown also made some brilliant passages of play down the court & accurate feeds into their shooting duo. The game saw Thunder win 38 – 14 but the score does not reflect the closely contested game on court.

Thank you to all players, supporters, umpires & scorers for a great first game of the season.

Final Score: LP Thunder 38 - RG7 Jets 14