



MATCH REPORT

Thunderbirds 2 Vs Thunderbirds 5

14/11/2018

POM: Philippa Legg (TB2)

POM: Rachel Vaughan (TB5)



This fixture had the two Division 2 Thunderbirds teams playing each other on this cold dry evening – Thunderbirds 2 (TB2) and Thunderbirds 5 (TB5). TB2 were the away team and wore blue overhead bibs, which helped both players and umpires tell the teams apart. TB2 won the first centre pass, although the ball went end to end a couple of times before the first goal was scored. TB2 turned over TB5's first centre pass and took an early 3 goal lead. TB5 players rallied and soon put some goals on the scorecard. TB2's Jane Hodgetts (GA) scored some amazing goals from the edge of the circle. The 1st quarter ended with TB2 leading 8 goals to 5 goals (TB5).

TB5 came out in full force in the 2nd quarter and put pressure on TB2 attack resulting in TB2 only scoring 2 goals. Rachel Vaughan (GK) made some great defensive interceptions and TB5 took advantage of the turnovers. TB5 scored 11 goals this quarter with some quick passing and accurate shooting from Maryam Asghar (GS) and Rachel Mason (GA). Q2 ended with TB5 overtaking TB2 to gain a 6 goal lead - 16 goals (TB5) to 10 goals (TB2).

The 3rd quarter saw TB2 change player positions with Charity Mlambo (GD to WD) and Ellie Mears (WD to GD) switching in defence and Jenny Obin (GS to GA) and Jane Hodgetts (GA to GS) switching in the circle. This defensive change proved successful in preventing TB5 going further ahead. Emotions became strained in Q3 as players pressured their opponents for possession of the ball and court positions. TB2 managed to close the gap by 2 goals but

Unfortunately not enough to prevent TB5 still leading by 4 goals at end of Q3 -19 goals (TB5) vs 15 goals (TB2).

As the mist rolled in on 4th quarter there was strong centre court play and accurate passing from both TB2 and TB5 which saw the ball move quickly down court to their respective shooters. TB2 kept the pressure on TB5, but could only close the gap by a further 1 goal. TB5 won the game 3 goals ahead at 25 goals (TB5) to 22 goals (TB2). A strong performance by all players in this Thunderbirds fixture.

Final Score: Thunderbirds 2 22- Thunderbirds 5 25



MATCH REPORT

Thunderbirds 2 Vs Mortimer Sapphires

31/10/2018

POM: Charity Mlambo (TB2)

POM: Tish Rizan (Mortimer)

Q1 Sapphires first game with their full team tonight and a couple of mis-placed balls gave Thunderbirds some shooting opportunities for Hodgetts and Obin who worked well in the circle to get good positioning. Sapphires got into their stride mid way through this quarter and managed to just pull ahead with the quarter ending 6 - 4 to Sapphires.

Q2 Sapphires put more pressure in the defensive line up with their WD Evans picking up an early interception to gain another turnover. The Thunderbirds GK Fulford managed to get some good tips and put lots of pressure on the Sapphires shooters to stop a few shots and gain possession of the ball. This quarter ending in 13 - 8 to Sapphires.

Q3 Thunderbirds made a couple of defensive changes bringing on POM Charity Mlambo as GD and Timney as WD, but there was no stopping Sapphires as they continued with their accurate feeds from Moon and Pickston-Bartlett and accurate shooting from Jubb and Butler. Thunderbirds struggled to find the goal with continued pressure in the defensive circle. This quarter ending 22 - 11 to Sapphires

Q4 - The goals kept on coming and the Sapphires dynamic defensive duo Pearce and POM Tish Rizan worked hard to stop the ball going into the Thunderbirds shooters with plenty of tips and forcing errors from the feeders and fast transaction through court. This quarter ending 29 - 13 to Sapphires

Final Score: Thunderbirds 2 13- Mortimer Sapphires 29



MATCH REPORT

Thunderbirds 2 Vs Razzlers

03/10/2018

POM: Phillipa Legg (TB2)

POM: Polly Gardener (Razzlers)

Both teams started strongly taking their own centres. After a few offside calls Razzlers pulled into the lead by 1 goal for the first quarter.

The second quarter saw excellent play from Thunderbirds 2. Their defence ensured only a few balls made it into the shooting end. They made good use of Razzler's mistakes and stormed ahead 17-9 to finish the second quarter.

During half time Razzlers regrouped and came out with some better play strategies. Advice from the side line helped and the play became less frantic. The third quarter saw some superb play around Razzler's shooting end as the TB2 defence applied heavy pressure. After a couple of turnovers thanks to Razzler's GD the scores began to equalise (17-13)

Both teams made positional changes going into the last quarter. It was a fast game with lots of turnovers. However a build up of small Razzlers errors, picked up by some sharp umpiring, meant that TB2 were able to cement the win 29-20.

Final Score: Thunderbirds 2 29 Vs Razzlers 20



MATCH REPORT

Thunderbirds 2 Vs Panthers

19/09/2018

POM: Jane Hodgetts (TB2)

POM: Rebecca Wright (Panthers)

The Netball season is definitely here..... dark, tick... rainy, massive tick... cold, actually no, but super windy... Not ideal, and I certainly didn't want to leave my house to play...

But all teams did... In the game between Thunderbirds 2 (TB2) and Panthers, TB2 were quick out the block turning over Panthers centre pass and their GA (Jane Hodgetts and TB2's Player of the Match) and GS (Jenny Orbin) shooting effortlessly despite the wind to score 6 quick goals in succession. Panther soon settled but Thunderbirds were ahead at the end of the 1st quarter finishing 8-4.

In the second quarter Panthers settled, taking their time with their passes and their WA (Carmelle Bell) and C (Steph Jones) driving forward onto the ball and therefore safely bring the ball into their attacking quarter and giving their GA (Di Williams) and GS (Ang O'Neill) opportunity to take a shot at goal. This steady play by the whole team saw Panthers quickly catch TB2 up to finish the second quarter within 2 goals.

The third quarter saw Panthers defence GD (Rebecca Wright and Panthers Player of the Match), WD (Claire Smith) and GK (Amber Rhind) continue to work hard to win ball, but Thunderbirds defence threesome of WD (Sandra Timney) GD (C Mlambo) and GK (Sandra Fulford) worked even harder in the TB2 defensive end stopping Panthers from converting the turned over ball. The third quarter ended with a goal difference of 5.

The last quarter saw frustration show in the Panthers attack, and Thunderbirds lead extend for the game to finish.

Final Score: TB2 30 – Panthers 18



MATCH REPORT

Thunderbirds 2 Vs RG7 Comets

05/09/2018

POM: Emma McCarthy (TB2)

POM: Jo Starling (RG7 Comets)

A pleasant dry evening for the first Midweek Wednesday match of the season. Thunderbirds 2 (TB2) joined Division 2 after being demoted from Division 1 at end of 2017/2018 season. TB2 started with new team members Ellie Mears at GD and Emma McCarthy at WA. Jenny Obin (GS) was back in the shooting circle after being out for most of season 2017/2018 due to injury and maternity. TB2 had first centre pass and got off to a good start. The first quarter was goal for goal until RG7 succeeded in turning over a TB2 centre. RG7 ended the 1st quarter in the lead at 6 goals to TB2 5 goals.

The 2nd quarter was close with both teams getting the ball to the shooting circles. RG7 were able to score a couple more goals with the accurate shooting of their GS, Jo Starling. RG7 ended the 2nd quarter 3 goals ahead at 14 goals to TB2 11 goals.

In the 3rd quarter both teams matched each other goal for goal. TB2 defence worked hard to turn over RG7 passes but the team were unable to convert them to goals and pull back the gap RG7 had gained in 2nd quarter. By end of 3rd quarter RG7 still maintained their 3 goal lead at RG7 19 goals to TB2 16 goals.

In the 4th quarter both teams again matched goal for goal. There were some loose passes from both teams but RG7 were successful in keeping their 3 goal lead ending the game RG7 25 goals to TB2 22 goals.

Final Score: TB2 22 – RG7 25