



MATCH REPORT

Thunderbirds 3 Vs LP Whirlwinds

24/10/2018

POM: Louise Boisclair (TB3)

POM: Nina Brown (LP Whirlwinds)

After a panicked start that saw Thunderbirds having to borrow a player literally as they took to court, it really seemed to unsettle the team right from the beginning. With quick centre court play and great shooting, LP took the lead early on. Thunderbirds desperately tried to pull it back but they just couldn't convert the goals, scoring only 2 in the first quarter. First quarter score 8-2 to Whirlwinds.

Thunderbirds came out more positively after their missing player arrived to join them for the second quarter, but even with GS Beryl Okeyo's height in the circle, TB3 still couldn't seem to get the ball past LP's strong defensive, with Nina Brown making some fantastic interceptions earning her the well deserved POM for LP. Their turn overs were quickly converted into goals by Kelly Thomas and K Harvey. Second quarter score 19-6 to Whirlwinds.

After a massive change around from Thunderbirds, that saw all but two players swapping positions, things seemed to be a bit more settled. Whirlwinds were on fire though and too much for Thunderbirds to handle. TB3's normal game seemed to go out of the window and with Captain Lucy Sullivan absent, the team really missed her vocal encouragement. Thunderbirds defence Angie Cornelius and Charlie Greenaway worked hard and never gave up, but LP's shooters were unstoppable. Third quarter score 29-9 to Whirlwinds.

With some advice and encouraging words from some of Netchix players at the end of the third quarter, Thunderbirds came out fighting but sadly it was too late to make a dent in the score. This was by far their best and most even quarter with Whirlwinds, with some great centre court play from WD Catherine Redding, WA Becky Dunne, and TB3's POM Louise Boisclair. TB3's shooters Claire Evans and Beryl Okeyo also had a great quarter with some lovely shots going in. If Thunderbirds had played like this the whole game they would of given Whirlwinds a real run for their money.

Final Score: Thunderbirds 3 17- LP Whirlwinds 37



MATCH REPORT

Storm Vs LP Whirlwinds

10/10/2018

POM: Stephanie Daire (Storm)

POM: Kelly Thomas (LP Whirlwinds)

Whirlwinds got off to a quick start with quick, effective passing through centre court. Storm fought hard but many of the long, overhead lobs were easily read and intercepted by Whirlwinds. GD Nina Brown (Whirlwinds) prevented many balls successfully entering the Storm "D" and at the other end, clever movement in the "D" and error-free scoring by GA Kelly Thomas thrown in resulted in the first quarter ending 2 goals to 9 to Whirlwinds.

The second quarter was a little more even with Storm slowing down the fast pace of the Whirlwinds side and capitalising on a couple of footwork errors by Whirlwinds. However, the Whirlwinds defence never looked like it was going to crack and neither did the shooting. They maintained their consistent form from the first quarter and the goal difference was only reduced by 1. Score at the end of the second quarter: Storm 8 - Whirlwinds 16.

An effective team talk during at half time saw a strong Storm side come back fighting. Key inceptions made by defenders GD Stephanie Daire and GK Elisa Saunders dramatically slowed down the steady flow of goals from Whirlwinds. Centre court passing was more focused and precise coupled with accurate shooting from both GA Debs White and GS Minny Symondson resulted in the third quarter ending with Storm just 2 goals behind Whirlwinds' 20 goals.

Storm kept fighting til the end, trying to reduce the 2 goal lead by Whirlwinds. A fairly even quarter played by both but it was a stronger Whirlwinds wide that managed to edge slightly further ahead and securing a win. Their lead increased to 4 goals for a well deserved win and a hard-earned 2 points for Storm.

Final Score: Storm 23 - LP Whirlwinds 27



MATCH REPORT

LP Whirlwinds Vs Mortimer Diamonds

26/09/2018

POM: (LP Whirlwinds)

POM: (M Diamonds)

Whirlwinds got off to a great start with some fast centre court play and some good interceptions. Mortimer then settled pulling it back to lead at the end of the first quarter.

The second quarter saw some great play from both teams. Lots of tight marking. The whirlwind Ga was shooting confidently and this combined with some lovely passes into her enabled them to take the lead.

Mortimer dominated the start of the third quarter quickly bringing the score back to 15-15. It was a close few minutes with Mortimer ending up a goal ahead.

It was a very exciting final quarter with both teams working hard . Mortimer finished just 1 goal ahead.

Final Score: LP Whirlwinds - Mortimer Diamonds