

#### LP Whirlwinds Vs Showcase Steerlers

19/06/2019

POM: Rachel Stout (LP Whirlwinds)

POM: Natalie Bishop (Showcase Steerlers)

It was finally the last midweek match of the season for Div 3 and LP Whirlwinds took to the court with Showstate Steelers. The game started with Showstate making full use of every opportunity provided to them. Rowse (C) was vital in bringing the ball up the court for Showstate and had some great feeds into the attacking circle. Whirlwinds had to settle quickly and needed to adapt to the fast place however Lada (GD) was on hand to pick up any loose balls through the centre court. The first quarter saw Whirlwinds fight back however Showstate came away with the first quarter win of 7-5.

The second quarter started much the same, however Whirlwinds fell behind with Topping (GD) and Walsh (GK) picking up every rebound and attacking every high pass which was making their way into Whirlwinds attacking circle. Through the court however Whirlwinds still tried to stop the ball from making it down to Showstate end with Howard (WD) defending well and providing vital passes. Showstate capitalised on their lead with Thompson barely missing a shot anywhere across the circle. It wasn't meant to be for Whirlwinds in the second quarter, and Showstate continued to dominate by extending their lead to 18-6.

Whirlwinds changed positions around the court with Stout moving to GK and Lada moving to WA with the thought that this may change the play. This made a difference with more interceptions and better play up court with Bromham (C) being crucial in the feeds into the circle for Harvey (GS) and Thomas (GA). However, Bishop (WD) from Showstate was dominate through the centre court and picked up any loose balls and was key in attacking play. The third quarter saw a better performance from Whirlwinds however Showstate still continued their lead (24 – 13).

The final quarter saw Desbois (GA) from Showstate providing support around and in the attacking circle and was crucial in getting the rebounds. Whirlwinds defence continued to try and stop the attacking play with Emmanuel (GD) getting key interceptions. Cook (WA) provided some great feeds into Showstate who continued to capitalise on their lead.

Final Score: <u>LP Whirlwinds 17 - Showcase Steerlers 35</u>



#### Mortimer Diamonds Vs LP Whirlwinds

15/05/2019

POM: Rosie Jones (LP Whirlwinds)

POM: Amanda Evison (M Diamonds)

A really sunny evening for a netball game meant both teams were ready and raring. This was an important match as both teams are vying for 2nd spot in the table and the chance of promotion.

With Mortimer's first centre the game got off to a fast start with great shooting either end meaning the Q1 score finished 8 – 3 to Mortimer. The Mortimer shooters really had their eye in and increased the lead to 12-5 despite some great runs into the circle from the LP Goal Attack as she shouted "all the way in" to whoever had the ball on the goal third line.

The 3rd quarter saw the youth and fitness of LP shine through with the centre court playing through the court with great pace and intensity. LP pulled back to 20-10 at the end of the 3rd quarter, with some great interceptions from Mortimer defence.

A few wayward balls from both teams in the final quarter left the final score at 22-12 to Mortimer, a surprisingly low scoring quarter despite the speed of the game. A really enjoyable game against a really friendly team. Congratulations to Rosie Jones of LP and Amanda Evison of Mortimer for some POM winning performances.

Final Score: Mortimer Diamonds 22- 12 LP Whirlwinds



### Zodiac Vs LP Whirlwind

27/03/2019

POM: Chelsea Reeves (Zodiac)

POM: Rachel Stout (LP Whirlwind)

The first quarter started off with Zodiac playing a quick and tight game which LP struggled to handle. In only a few passes Zodiac took the ball to the circle for both Bilverstone and Tuley to convert every opportunity given. LP were down a few goals within the first few minutes and had to switch up their game quickly in order to compete, where Fredricks and Brewer tightened the defence to restrict the movement across the attacking third. Whirlwinds gained some momentum by the end however the first quarter finished with Zoadic taking the lead 9-7.

The second quarter continued much the same, however both teams were settling more into the game. Interceptions were happening from both teams, with Furnell (Zodiac) and Lada (Whirlwinds) taking every flying ball opportunity. The quarter continued to be tight with very little different between the score. However due to some fantastic interceptions from both Pierro and Reeves, Zodiac won the quarter and took their lead to 16 - 13.

Half time saw a change of game for LP Whirlwinds with patience being used around the circle edge by Bromham and Stout, to feed into Thomas and Sydmondson. Zodiac continued to place pressure all over the court, with some fantastic shots being made down their attacking third with the help from Sharman. However, with more interceptions and quicker passes, LP managed to get several goals in using several turnovers. The third quarter finished with LP taking the lead 23-21.

The final quarter started with LP still capitalising on every shot, however after a few mistakes, Zodiac got several turnovers, and with the support of Coombes up the court, the score became tighter. 20 goals were scored in the last quarter, with both teams seeming to put pressure on at each end of the court. The last few minutes were extremely tense as time was nearly up and the score could've gone either way. However, Whirlwinds managed to hold on to win 33-31, but this wasn't without a great challenge set by Zodiac.

Final Score: LP Whirlwind 33 - Zodiac 31



#### LP Whirlwinds vs Bomb Print

06/03/2019

POM: Emily Warne (Bomb Print)

POM: Nina Brown (LP Whirlwind)

With some interesting weather conditions, LP Whirlwinds and Bomb Print took to the court. The game started off extremely windy meaning that it was difficult to convert any shots that weren't under the post. Both teams had to work with the conditions and adapt by taking on short passes throughout the court. During the first quarter, LP managed to edge ahead however the game felt tight with both the GK and the GD (Smith) taking advantage of all rebounds. The first quarter finished 4-1 to LP.

During the second quarter both teams got settled with GS (Harvey) and GA (Thomas) getting closer to the post to take the shots. LP were patient with the ball, passing it around the attacking circle trying to find a gap through the strong defence which included WD (Bennett) and C (Warne). Down LP's defensive end, GK (Fredricks), GD (Brown) and WD (Lawrence) provided some vital interceptions to stop Bomb Print getting closer to the post. The second quarter finished 11-3 to LP.

The third quarter continued much the same with centre passes from C (Bromham) and WA (Stout) creating quick passages of play for LP into the attacking end. Bomb Print continued placing pressure on LP's defence with WA (Knight) providing valuable support in the attacking opportunities. The third quarter finished 17-4 to LP.

The final quarter saw some more changes in positions for Bomb Print, with Little coming in as GA. This certainly caught LP off guard, with Bomb Print scoring four consecutive goals with the help from the GS (Palmer) and Fyffe (WA). Through this quarter there was a much more even score, with Bomb Print winning the last quarter 6 goals to 5. The final score was 22-10 to LP Whirlwinds.

Final Score: LP Whirlwinds 22 - 10 Bomb Print



### Netchix Vs Laurel Park Whirlwinds

20/02/2019

POM: Nina Brown (LP)

POM: Morgan Reid (Netchix)

With the weather now out of the minus figures, an evenly matched and enjoyable game to watch between Netchix and Laurel Park Whirlwinds.

A slow start in the first quarter for both teams as they struggled to find their rhythm which was reflected in the low scores ending up on only 4-3 to LP.

No changes were made for the second quarter but both teams came back out with an upped tempo. It remained goal for goal with both teams making some good lines from centre pass into their shooting circles avoiding the strong defenses. Some good interceptions were made in the centre third however were then over turned over again by the circle defense.

Netchix held strong and finished the quarter a goal ahead.

Both teams came out strong and determined in the third quarter. Netchix made some changes in centre court swapping Morgan Reid into this position and putting Hannah Bloomfield into WD position. Some impressive centre court work from Morgan making some fantastic interceptions and giving the shooting circle some great feeds, resulting in a well deserved POM.

Not making anything easy for Netchix, Laurel Parks short but fast passing made for some fantastic plays into the circle with LP's Kelly Thomas making quick moves away from the Netchix defence.

Another evenly matched quarter ending on 6 goals each.

Into the final quarter and again both teams fighting hard, Netchix shooters Debbie Fisher and Sakia Hosking making some good movements in the circle and sinking 7 goals to take them ahead of LP for the win.

Final Score: <u>Netchix - Laurel Park Whirlwinds</u>



#### 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



### 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



# 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: <u>LP Whirlwinds - Mortimer Diamonds</u>