



MATCH REPORT

RG7 Comets Vs Thunderbirds 2

11/9/2019

POM: Ula Hanham (Thunderbirds 2)

POM: Jo Starling (RG7 Comets)

This was an intense match right from the start. RG7 were caught unawares early on by some very solid defending from TB2 to gain an early turnover. There was a lot of turnover both forced and unforced in the first quarter keep the score low and despite the exceptional start from TB2, Comets held firm and went into the break 5-3 up.

The 2nd quarter was won by TB2 by 3 goals taking the lead 12-11 at half time. They had solid connections and good teamwork across the court with the defence making multiple tips making it very difficult for RG7 to score. Although RG7 also had a few tricks of their own, owing to the team familiarity and good passing, but in the end TB2 edged the quarter.

In the third quarter TB2 began to dominate, they had made some changes at half time which bedded in well. They capitalised on RG7 errors and bring the ball swiftly down to score some goals, increasing their lead by 5 goals at the end of the quarter by doubling RG7s quarter score.

Last quarter saw a couple of inspired position changes for RG7. Against a strong TB2 team and a great TB2 cheering squad, RG7 went on a run of 7 straight goals that brought them from a 5 goal deficit into a 2 goal lead. TB2 snuck in a couple at the end to make it well fought draw.

Final Score: RG7 Comets 24 – 24 Thunderbirds 2



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MATCH REPORT

FastTrack Vs RG7 Comets

05/6/2019

POM: Gibson (FastTrack)

POM: Charlotte Whittle (RG7 Comets)

The last game of the season for both teams and it was clear from the start that this was going to be a very even and competitive match. Both teams started well and the tempo was fast as the game went goal for goal. Very few errors were made on both sides with both shooting circles making the most of their chances.

The quarter ended 7-6 to Comets. Game on!

Another very close quarter. Some great defensive work from the FastTrack duo of Daire (borrowed from Sorm) and Jackson kept FastTrack in the quarter and they were rewarded by their shooters Gibson and Eden at the other end.

Comets attack were very slick, working the ball seamlessly down the court and into their shooters Smith and Mulroy. WA, and eventual POM Charlotte Whittle, combining well and delivering some great feeds. Comets managed to pull away by another goal this quarter but FastTrack were hanging on in and only 2 goals behind.

A switch up in defence in Q3 by Comets changed the dynamics in the shooting circle for FastTrack and they took a while to settle with the changes. Defence through the centre court was intense by both teams as FastTrack Centre Awbery (borrowed from WhiteKnights) and King of Comets battled tirelessly to turn over ball and give their teams the edge in this game which was so close.

Comets again won the quarter by a narrow margin of just 1 goal, giving them a 3 goal advantage heading into the final quarter. The tireless work of FastTrack's WD Laura Brown as she picked up the GA, delaying her entry into the circle, started to pay dividends in this quarter as Comets had to fight harder to get the ball into their shooters. Both teams were showing signs of fatigue but fighting hard as it was still anyone's game. FastTrack's long bomb shots were all going in and momentum started to shift their way. Sensing they were on a run they continued to pile on the pressure forcing a couple of uncharacteristic errors from the Comets girls.

Both teams were giving it their all but FastTrack just had the edge in this final quarter with a couple of great turnovers and GS, and eventual POM Gibson, not missing a goal!

FastTrack won this quarter! They certainly saved the best until last! A great game, played in great sporting spirit

Final Score: FastTrack 34 – RG7 Comets 30



MATCH REPORT

Razzlers Vs RG7 Comets

3/4/2019

POM: Helena Moore (RG7 Comets)

POM: Alice Mills (Razzlers)

It was a beautiful evening for netball as both teams took to Court. The first quarter was fairly even as both teams found their feet and got used to the conditions, RG7 pulled slightly ahead and it ended 7-5 to Comets. The Razzlers turned it up a notch in the second quarter with both the attack and the defence working well together to bring the ball to goal with the Razzlers gaining the lead to leave the match 18-12 at the half way point. Razzlers also had a strong third quarter, continuing to hold on to their lead as it finished 27-18. RG7 continued to fight hard and some excellent shooting, combined with some key interceptions in the defence meant that the Razzlers had to dig deep to hold on to the lead and game finished 31-27 to the Razzlers.

Final Score: Razzlers 31 - RG7 Comets 27



MATCH REPORT

Sweaty Nettys Vs RG7 Comets

27/2/2019

POM: Jo Starling (RG7)

POM: Amy Chesswas (Sweaty)

An excellent match between Sweaty Netty's and RG7 comets with both team's fighting and playing very strongly. RG7 lead the way in the first quarter with excellent shooting from both their GS and GA and strong defence. This resulted in the first quarter ending on 11 goals to RG7 and 4 to Sweaty nettys.

The second quarter saw RG7 secure their lead even further despite Sweaty's attempts to add pressure throughout the court. Due to Melissa Johnson suffering an injury it meant the second quarter was cut short but the end score was 13-17.

With Sweaty's changing positions round it meant RG7 were able to continue their lead in the third quarter with some excellent interceptions from their defence. The third quarter ending 27-20.

In the last quarter Sweaty's proved they weren't going down without a fight and with some crucial interceptions and consistent shooting were able to bring the game to a nail biting 32-32 finish.

A competitive and great game of netball from both teams.

Final Score: Sweaty Nettys 32 – RG7 Comets 37



MATCH REPORT

RG7 Comets Vs Panthers

20/3/2019

POM: RacheLisa Maskery (Panthers)

POM: Nikki Smith (RG7 Comets)

No wind or rain for a change meant a nice, pleasant evening for a netball match!

Both teams started well, Panthers' C Lisa Maskery (player of the match) and WA Amanda Stevens, and Comets' C Tina Wood and WA Alex Henney, finding their shooters with ease. The shooters had their eye in from the start and each pairing sunk the first few shots, meaning a goal for goal first few minutes.

Comets were first to get a turnover, with great work from defensive pairing GD Clare Harvey & GK Tish Rizan, enabling their team to go ahead by 2 goals at the first break (8-6).

Some good play in the second quarter by Comets gave their reunited shooting partnership of GS Jo Starling and GA Nikki Smith (player of the match) every opportunity to pull ahead, which they gladly took.

Panthers defensive pairing of GD Keren Gillis and GK Vicki Shopland worked hard and secured some vital turnovers, making life difficult for Comets, but Comets pulled ahead to lead 16-11 at half time.

RG7 continued to gel in the 3rd quarter, with their WD Helena Moore working tirelessly and earning some great tips and turnovers to help her team pull further ahead, but Panthers' shooting duo ensured they took the opportunity to keep the pressure on Comets when given it.

Despite some good interceptions by Panthers defensive trio of Shopland, Gillis and WD Steph Jones, Comets had their best quarter and led 27-15 going into the last break.

Panthers' GS Angie O'Neill and GA Di Williams switched in the final quarter but struggled with the height of GK Rizan, as the defence won many of the rebounds and took the ball down the court to their shooters.

Panthers fought well but Comets had the upper hand and increased their lead in the final quarter to win 35-20.

Final Score: RG7 Comets 35 – Panthers 20



MATCH REPORT

RG7 Comets Vs Mortimer Sapphires

12/12/2018

POM: Rachel Jubb (Mortimer Sapphires)

POM: Charlotte Ellis (RG7 Comets)

RG7 Comets made an impressive start scoring from the first 2 centre passes, however Mortimer Sapphires soon got into their rhythm and with strong defence from their GD and GK prevented RG7 scoring again in the first quarter to go into the break 7-2 up. RG7 made a switch to team up their usual defensive partnership of Harvey and Fountain, with some great tips from both players making Sapphires have to work much harder to score in this quarter. This, along with impressive teamwork from RG7s shooters Mulroy and Starling won the quarter and lessened the gap to just 3 goals by half-time.

The third quarter was very even. Mortimers defence continued to put pressure on RG7 and their shooters Rodd and Jubb (player of the match) worked hard to keep the scoreboard ticking over with good support from their C and WA Moon. However good tracking from RG7 all the way up the court forced some mistakes and allowed RG7 to match Sapphires 6 goals so their 3 goal lead was not increased.

A final push from RG7 in the last quarter put more pressure on Mortimer with RG7s centre and player of the match Ellis incessant in chasing the ball and winning turnovers with the support of WD O'Connell. With some strong passes into the circle from WA Moore at one point RG7 were able to get within 1 goal, but the lead Mortimer took in the first quarter was enough for them to hang on for the win.

Final Score: RG7 Comets 19 - Mortimer Sapphires 21



MATCH REPORT

Aces Vs RG7 Comets

28/11/2018

POM: Jen Wright (Aces)

POM: Charlotte Ellis (RG7 Comets)

Second placed Aces met RG7 Comets, just below them in the league in third, in windy conditions. The first quarter was low scoring with both teams struggling to convert attacking opportunities.

Comets were thwarted by Aces' circle defence pairing of Char Webb and Nicki Archer, who worked well together to intercept the feeds in to the Comets shooters. Meanwhile Aces came up against very tight centre court marking from Comets, particularly Comets C and POM Charlotte Ellis. However Aces were able to capitalize on their turnovers to lead 6-2. The second quarter was again end to end; Aces' defence continued to secure turnovers, which their attack were able to convert into goals thanks to some patient build up play. Aces led 13-5 at half time.

Both teams picked up the pace in the third quarter. Comets' shooting pair of Jo Starling and Amy Mulroy worked the ball quickly and effectively in the circle and managed to increase their scoring rate. However Aces centre court play seemed to step up a gear; all members of the team combined to get out of the tight Comets defence and release C and POM Jen Wright to quickly feed the ball in to their shooters. Aces had increased their lead to 21-10 after the third quarter.

Aces then dominated the final quarter; despite quick movement and passing from Ellis and Mulroy, Comets were only able to score one goal. Meanwhile Wright found more space in the Aces attacking third, setting up GS Charlotte Fox with fast and accurate passing around the circle. Final score was a 32-11 win for Aces, although the match felt much closer than the scoreline suggests.

Final Score: Aces 32- RG7 Comets 11



MATCH REPORT

Razzlers Vs RG7 Comets

14/11/2018

POM: Amy Mulroy (RG7 Comets)

POM: Alice Mills (Razzlers)

In the first quarter RG7 Comets came out fighting scoring 10 goals to the Razzlers 3 goals. This was due to fluid play from RG7's attack, including their POM GA Amy Mulroy. Razzlers were hampered by unforced errors resulting in some excellent turnovers from the RG7 defence.

In the second quarter there was some sharper defence from the Razzlers, especially by their POM Alice Mills, playing GD. However, the Razzlers could not capitalise on these interruptions to RG7's attack and RG7 pulled away with the score standing at 18-5 at the mid-way point of the match.

A change of playing position for some of the Razzlers at half time meant that there was some more vibrancy in the Razzlers attack which combined with more accuracy from the shooters meant that the Razzlers were able to gain a few goals. The RG7 attack was relentless and there was excellent play as RG7 moved the ball down the court and into their shooting positions, finishing the quarter on 27 goals.

In the final quarter Razzlers continued fighting but they were no match for RG7 with the final score standing at Razzlers 15 – RG7 34.

Final Score: Razzlers 15 - RG7 Comets 34



MATCH REPORT

Fast Track Vs RG7 Comets

31/10/2018

POM: Carol Green (Fast Track)

POM: Tina Wood (RG7 Comets)

This was the first meeting of these two teams for the 2018/19 season, and it was closely contested although the result belies the pressure both teams were under.

Comets got off to a confident start and secured their first centre with a textbook centre pass. FastTrack also secured theirs then there was a small lull where despite some excellent passing, neither team could secure a goal mainly down to some strong defence work and arms over the ball. Comets ended the deadlock and scored a great goal by their GS Starling who proved to be in fine form through the game despite GK Gibson fantastic efforts to defend the shot. Comets continued this run to lead at the quarter time break.

Some footwork calls early in the 2nd half meant that Comets capitalised on the 1st quarter. Comets were very organised in defence right from their attack down, often slowing FastTrack's progression down the court, inevitably forcing a number of turnovers throughout the game. However some steady hands and quick feet particularly by FastTrack's Centre Wright (Aces) continued to give their attack ball and opportunity at goal. However they couldn't keep pace with Comets who were in the lead 14-8 at half time.

Both teams started quarter 3 strongly with some lovely flowing passages of play through the centre court for FastTrack Low, Wright, Adams and Wood, Ellis, Johnson for Comets. With Comets swapping positions of C Wood and WA Ellis the tempo of the game changed and once settled allowed Comets to eek out the score at 3 quarter time 20-10 after some great goal grabs from GK Harvey and GD Fountain for Comets.

Quarter 4 continued in much the same vein with GS Green and GA Eden continuing to work hard and provide some lovely shooter to shooter ball and goals. However Comets defensive work in GD Fountain and GK Harvey saw more turnover ball and providing GS Starling and GA Mulroy more opportunity at goal and despite the hard work of GD Rose and GK Gibson, teamed up well to put more shots away. Comets continued their advantage and took the match 27-12.

Final Score: Fast Track 12 – RG7 27



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