

LP Whirlwind Vs Whiteknights

14/9/2019

POM: Michelle Barton (Whiteknights) POM: Hannah Scott (LP Whirlwind)

It wouldn't be the start of the season without the sun shining down on us making the first match back even harder after the summer break. It also wouldn't be a usual Saturday having the luxury of full length posts ready for the start of the games! The Div 3 reps offered both teams the option of delaying the match for 10 minutes to get the posts or to start on time with short posts and switch them at half time which is what we opted for.

Both teams started strong with the excitement of the new season but it didn't take long for the sun and shorter posts to affect everyone. Some of LP's shots were passed over the short post a few times until they finally went in but it didn't stop LP's fast paced start. There were some great interceptions from LP's defence gaining some much needed early turnovers. Whiteknights GD made it increasingly hard for the LP shooters but with time and patience the goals were going in. The end of the first quarter saw LP leading 15-6 and most players delayering in the glorious sunshine.

Quarter 2 was much of the same as the first quarter and was Whiteknights turn to attempt shots at the lower post. LP switched their shooters around and had to adapt their shots to the higher post. Whiteknights had some great attacking chances with some speedy drives from their C who along with the WA had some superb feeds in to the never missing GA. LP's defence stayed strong and were key to numerous turnovers which helped LP extend their lead ending the 2nd quarter 14-6.

Quarter 3 saw Whiteknights switch up there defence with the GK and WD but due to the heat fatigue looked like it was setting in although no one gave up and everyone fought for their balls. The heat didn't seem to affect Whiteknights GD who looked like she still had loads left in the tank and continued putting pressure on LP's shooters. LP's GA was trying to match the speedy GD by drawing her out of the circle and away from any

intercepts which helped LP continue to pull away. LP's defence had an awesome 3rd quarter only conceding 4 goals! LP took the 3rd quarter 15-4.

Quarter 4 saw a slightly different game. Whiteknights came out fighting determined to stay within half to gain a point. Both teams fought hard and pushed their bodies with everything they had left in the tank. Whiteknights capitalised on any loose balls and sloppy passes but LP's defence was too much for them in the end although they did come away winning the 4th quarter 9-10.

Final Score: LP Whirlwind 53- 26 Whiteknights



2018/2019 Season



Thunderbirds 7 Vs LP Whirlwind

12/1/2019

POM: Sarah Widdows (TB7)

POM: Nina Brown (LP Whirlwind)

The game started off very evenly with both teams getting off to a good start scoring on their own centre passes. Unfortunately within a few minutes Thunderbirds GS Emma Desbois (Borrowed from Posha) had to go off with an ankle injury and the team were forced to quickly rearrange positions and drop WA temporarily. LP took advantage of this and finished the first quarter 11-7 up.

In the 2nd quarter TB7 were back to a full squad although the GS had limited movement but the team utilised her height and the speed of GA Rebecca Dunn to pull back to 20-20 at half time.

In the 3rd and 4th quarter Laurel Park made very few mistakes with excellent feeds in to the circle from player of the match Nina Brown in WA. They began to pull away after some great defensive interceptions and capitalised with very accurate shooting and clinical set plays.

Final Score: Thunderbirds 7 37 – LP Whirlwind 45



Bombprint Vs LP Whirlwind

16/3/2019

POM: Lauren Foncette (LP Whirlwind)

POM: Kelly Thomas (Bombprint)

LP Whirlwinds got first centre and scored there first goal, Bombprint centre but they struggle to get in to the Scoring End with LP Whirlwinds tight defence intercepting the ball and bringing up to there goal end with another goal despite the strong winds LP Whirlwinds GA Kelly Thomas was unstoppable and scoring a goal at every opportunity ending the first quarter.

4-10 to Laurel Park

Second quarter Bomprint made some changes in there goal end to try and bring back the first quarter goals missed. The changes worked as this brought bombprint up 8 goals from first quarter.

BP-GK Lauren Foncette marking her GS and intercepting every opportunity when LP players passed in to her ending the quarter 5 goal difference.

12-17 to LP Whirlwinds

3rd Quarter Both teams continued to fight with the extreme winding conditions with the ball going from end to end wind effecting shots and passes outstanding interceptions from both defences but LP Whirlwinds continued to grab them goals leaving the quarter with 8 goal lead.

15-23 to LP Whirlwinds

4th quarter LP Whirlwinds GK T.Lawrance had a finger injury they had to swap in a new keeper Bombprint continued to fight but just couldn't catch up with the 8 goal difference and only managing to score 4 goals in last quarter and LP Whirlwinds scoring 10.

Final Score: Bombprint 18 - LP Whirlwind 33



ACF Vs LP Whirlwind

16/2/2019

POM: Charlotte Maskell (ACF)

POM: Kelly Thomas (LP Whirlwind)

After a bit of a break due to the weather conditions, Whirlwinds and ACF took to the court to continue the season. The first quarter started evenly with continuous and strong play throughout the court from both teams. ACF's defence didn't allow for any rebounds from Whirlwinds, which gave ACF 's shooters to capitalise on the turnovers provided. Whirlwinds managed to edge a lead at the end of the first quarter 12-8, but felt equal between the two teams.

The second quarter started much the same, however Whirlwinds converted more of their shots. Interceptions from both teams occurred through the centre court with solid defending from all at the beginning of the centre passes. The second quarter continued strongly for Whirlwinds who carried on their lead to 25-17.

Into the third quarter, ACF kept their team the same, however Whirlwinds mixed up the positions in centre court. This provided a change of play for Whirlwinds with more interceptions in the defence third, although the range and success of the shots from ACF were very impressive. The play was quick for Whirlwinds and they definitely got more comfortable within this quarter by scoring an additional 30 goals. The third quarter finished 45-21.

The final quarter began and ACF worked their attacking play well with Whirlwinds finding it more difficult to intercept the balls. ACF successfully used short passes around the circle to gain space into the circle and converted some fantastic shots. Whirlwinds continued to attack with some speed converting it nicely into the attacking circle.

Final Score: ACF 29 – LP Whirlwind 60



Posha Vs LP Whirlwind

26/1/2019

POM: Beth Mackenzie (Posha)

POM: Rachel Stout (LP Whirlwind)

After a chilly start, both teams were strong out of the starting blocks. There were some valiant efforts from Posha's new GD which resulted in a quick turnover from Posha. After everyone began to warm up both teams scored off their respective centres from then on but Posha ended the first quarter in the lead 10-9.

After a much needed short break, a team talk and some tactical changes, Posha had a super quarter. Unfortunately, LP played with an attacker missing due to a jewellery mishap but this allowed Beth Mackenzie, a new recruite for Posha, to successfully connect the mid court, allowing Posha to pull further ahead. Posha's shooters showed some fantastic play as they were being heavily marked by LPs tight defence. Posha won the second quarter 22-15.

LPs attack warmed up, using their WD and GD effectively to move the ball down into their shooting third. There was some strong feeds into LP's D and some equally impressive movement around the circle from Rachel Stout which helped LP steal the lead from Posha closing the quarter 32-30.

A fiery 4th quarter had both teams playing strong to try and take home the win! In the end LPs defence were extremely effective at keeping the Posha shooters away from the D whilst their attack managed to skilfully carry the ball to their shooters. Posha's play became frantic resulting in a final quarter defeat.

The tightly contested match ended with LP Whirlwind winning 43-40. Excellent play and commitment from all.

Final Score: Posha 40 – LP Whirlwind 43



LP Whirlwinds Vs Reading Juniors

08/12/2018

POM: Rachel Stout (LP Whirlwinds)

POM: Rose Mould (Reading Juniors)

Whirlwinds had a strong start with some fantastic feeds into the circle for Kelly Thomas and Kate Harvey to convert into goals. Whirlwinds defence of Nina Brown and Tamryn Lawrence kept a lot of feeds from Reading Juniors circle out, finishing the first quarter 18

 – 8 to Whirlwinds.

The second quarter saw Reading Juniors become more settled. Whirlwinds carried on from the first quarter however with less urgency which meant RJ capitalised on the strong passing throughout the court by Rose Mould and Lucy Ball. With some fantastic shooting from Millie Casper and Emily Gill, the second quarter score was fairly equal, however Whirlwinds maintained a lead of 30 – 19.

The third quarter saw Whirlwinds continue to increase their score with Fern Bromham and Rachel Stout using the circle edge to pass around and feed into the shooting circle. With a few changes in positions for Reading Juniors, interceptions were being executed by Maddie McKim and Maya Smith from Reading Juniors. The third quarter finished 43 – 26 to Whirlwinds.

The fourth quarter found Whirlwinds making some mistakes in passing and therefore several turnovers for Reading Juniors, however Megan Howard had some great interceptions which allowed Whirlwind shooters to capitalise their lead.

Final Score: LP Whirlwinds 58 - Reading Juniors 34



Laurel Park Whirlwinds Vs AFC

20/10/2018

POM: Vicky Mclaughlin (AFC)

POM: Lucy Halliday (Laurel Park Whirlwinds)

LP started the game strong and took an early lead (11-5) with some fast play in the first quarter. ACF seemed to settle down in the second quarter and although LP kept their lead ACF were almost goal for goal. A weak 3rd quarter for both teams left the score at 28-18 with everything to play for in the last quarter. LP were stronger in the final quarter and youth probably on their side as ACF started to waiver with the final score LP 38 - ACF 22.

Some great interceptions despite having no ankle support from Vicky Mclaughlin earned her player for ACF and some clean court play from LP WA, Lucy Halliday proved a worthy Player for LP

Final Score: Laurel Park Whirlwinds 38 – AFC 22