

Play Continues



USA Women stay undefeated. Photo by Deepthi Indukuri

Smiles All Round

As the sun set behind the stubborn blanket of clouds that insisted on hanging over London today, the tournament itself was set alight by the energy, passion and beaming smiles of India Mixed celebrating their first ever victory on the international stage. It was an eagerly anticipated spectacle around the globe with fans from Germany, America, Cambodia and of course all across India taking to social media to share photos of themselves enjoying the live coverage.

The pressure of the world's eyes in no way stifled the infectious enthusiasm and unrelenting athleticism that India has been displaying throughout the tournament. In a wonderful contest against Ireland, their dynamic zone defence swallowed up discs, with huge plays from #10 Praveen Kumar repeatedly streaking across the middle of the pitch for phenomenal layout blocks. Seeking to monopolise on their speed, India used quick starts to punish their opponents deep, culminating in the whole team erupting with celebration at their eventual 15-13 victory.

Elsewhere, in the Mixed division the USA and Canada remain the only undefeated teams. After what looked to be a serious challenge from Great Britain who took the half 9-8,

the USA reasserted themselves and didn't allow the hosts back on the scoreboard in the second half. However, the Australians were able to produce an upset with a 15-12 victory over Japan. In contrast, it was a tough day for the Colombians who suffered losses against the Philippines and South Africa.

Finally, there was little controversy in either the Women's or the Open division. Despite a strong performance from the German Women, they were unable to seal the victory against Japan who kept the disc with super-human bids after Germany took the half. Sadly for Belgium and Spain Open alike, tight victories in their final games were not enough to see them through to the higher seeded brackets, as all of the top three Open seeds qualified for power pools.

By Charlie Blair, Josh Coxon Kelly and David "DP" Pryce

Stats Leaders

Open: Matt Richardson [NZL] 11 assists and 11 goals

Women: Sara Maria Builes [COL] 17 assists and 3 goals

Mixed: Joe Wynder [GBR] 15 assists and 3 goals

Spirit leaders in O: Colombia, W: New Zealand and

M: Philippines

Tomorrow's Schedule

Wednesday

Pitch	1	2	3	4 / Arena	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	Pitch
09:30				GER v AUS Women				GBR v SWE Women		FHI v RSA Mixed	AUS v COL Mixed	CAN v JPN Mixed	TPE v IND Mixed		GBR v GER Mixed	USA v IRL Mixed	09:30
11:10	Pitch Maintenance			AUT v GBR Open		MEX v PHI Open		IRL v COL Open	USA v AUS Open		BEL v ESP Open	DEN v POL Open	SWE v NED Open	JPN v CAN Women		COL v NZL Women	11:30
13:10						CAN v ITA Open		USA v GER Women		Pitch Maintenance			1Q v 3P Mixed	4P v 5Q Mixed	8P v 6Q Mixed	4Q v 6P Mixed	13:30
15:10	CER v JPN Open	SUI v NZL Open	1P v 2Q Mixed				AUT v COL Open										15:10
15:30	USA v IRL Open	2P v 3Q Mixed	GBR v AUS Open	COL v GBR Women									BEL v POL Open	CAN v SWE Women	JPN v NZL Women		15:30
17:10																	17:10
17:30	CAN v SUI Open		JPN v ITA Open			USA v AUS Women		GER v NZL Open					MEX v NED Open		SWE v PHI Open	DEN v ESP Open	17:30
19:10																	19:10



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Useful Information

- Please make sure to stay off the Watford pitch!
- Litter has been slightly reduced but there is still plenty left behind. Please make an extra effort to clean up after your games
- Shuttle buses will require Tournament passes from tomorrow onwards.
- To help your team-mates and for safety, please remember to stay out side of the 3 metre line

Player Profile

Name: Alex Santos

Team: Philippines Mixed

Number: 13

Years playing: 4

Proudest on-pitch moment: Playing here. It's my first time in London, first time playing Under 23s, it's an honour to play for my country

Greatest Ultimate achievement: My club team DUO were runners up in the league this January

Sexiest kit at the tournament: Canada

Best thing about Britain: "English eyes, I like your eyes" (CB blushes)

Frisbee idol: Xtian Guerrero - a San Jose Spiders star who is the first pro Filipino player

Pump-up song: Chandelier by Sia



Alex Santos: Philippines Mixed