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## Water Polo Women: Day 3: AUS 14 RSA 1

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Australia won Group B with a third victory, defeating South Africa 14-1 in a clash of the Commonwealth nations. Australia is one of the strongest nations here so South Africa, normally just a visitor to World Championships every two years, put up a strong display, holding Australia out more than five minutes at the start of the match. Australia began a roll that yielded four goals by the quarter and the next two periods also only yielded four goals to the Aussie Stingers. Tough pressure by South Africa restricted Australia to two goals in the final period.

The only time the two have met at World Championships was Rome in 2009 when Australia won 23-2 — Australia's second biggest win behind a 27-2 clash with Uzbekistan.

That score will be sorely tested on Saturday when Australia plays Uzbekistan in the quarterfinal qualifiers while South Africa has the unenviable opponent of Russia.

### **Match 23: 18:50, Group B, AUSTRALIA 14 SOUTH AFRICA 1**

Quarters: 4-0, 4-1, 4-0, 2-0

Referees: Kazuhiko Makita (JPN), Alan Balfanbayev (KAZ)

Extra Man: AUS: 3/5. RSA: 0/2

Pens: AUS: 1/1.

### **Teams:**

AUSTRALIA: Lea Barta, Jayde Appel (1), Hannah Buckling, Holly Lincoln-Smith (3), Isobel Bishop (2), Bronwen Knox

(1), Rowena Webster (3), Glencora McGhie, Zoe Arancini (2), Ashleigh Southern (2), Keesja Gofers (1), Nicola Zagame (1), Kelsey Wakefield. Head Coach: Greg McFadden.  
SOUTH AFRICA: Anke Jacobs, Kimberley Schmidt, Kieren Paley, Christ Rawstrom, Megan Schooling, Taryn Schooling, Kimberley Kay, Lee-Anne Keet, Delaine Christian, Marcelle Keet, Lindsay Killeen, Kelsey White (1), Thembelihle Mkhize. Head Coach: Brad Rowe.

## **FLASH QUOTES:**

### **Bronwen Knox (AUS):**

“We are really happy to be the leader of our group. We have had some difficult and experienced teams like China, but it has been a good preliminary round for us. Now, for our next round, I feel confident, we should play well and we feel really comfortable playing here.”

### **Lee-Anne Keet (RSA):**

“We are happy to be here and have the opportunity to play against top teams. It’s a great opportunity as a small team to play in such a great World Championship like that. We’re proud of our work.”

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