

## Women's Youth World Championships, Belgrade, Day 6

Game 39, 14.00 , finals 11th place : Uzbekistan v Kazakhstan 13:14

Results & Teams

**Quarters:** 4:4, 3:5, 2:3, 4:2

**Referees:** Mr Sato, Mr Korolev

### UZBEKISTAN

Madinabonu Khafizova (9-21, 42,9%), Zarina Djomaladinova, Sitora Rasubova (1/5) , Sokhibakhon Sayfiddinova (2/7), Valerya Konovanova, Regina Shaydullina (0/2), Negina Abdulkhaeya (3/7), Madinabonu Shermatova (3/7) , Aleksandra Larchenko (0/4), Anastasya Ivnikskaya, Eva Umrkazova (4/6), Kristina Logutova, Kamila Tilyashova (0-2, 0 %). Coach: Diana Shamsutdinova

### KAZAKHSTAN

Azhar Alibeyeva, Yelizaveta Rudneva (1/3, 33,3%), Dani Kydytbekova (1/4) Nadezhda Shapovalova, Anastassya Yeremina (1/3), Evelina Shetlkanoveseva, Viktorya Khirtankova (8/12), Sivilya Raiter (2/3), Shakhzova Mansurova (1/7), Valerya Anossova, Kamila Kairollayeva (0/1), Anastassya Kolomatskaya, Darya Konova. Coach: Matat Naryzbekov

### Shots:

UZB: 13 - 38

KAZ: 14 - 33

### Extrawomen:

UZB: 2 - 17

KAZ: 5 - 8

**Penalties:**

UZB: 2 - 3

KAZ: 2 - 2

MVP: Viktorya Khirtankova

**Report**

During the third quarter, Kazakhstan had even a five-goal advantage (12:7). Uzbekistan then scored four goals in a row, but Uzbek players didn't have more power. With this tangential victory, Kazakhstan won the 11th place at the World Championships in Belgrade.

Game 40, 15.20 , finals 9th place : New Zealand v Canada 9:5

Results & Teams

**Quarters:** 1:1, 2:2, 2:1, 4:1,

**Referees:** Mrs Rakovic – Krstonoši?, Mr Gresele

**NEW ZEALAND**

Briget Layburn (12/27, 70,6%), Claudia Morgan (1/2), Bernadette Doyle (2/8), Ellie Tomoana (0/1), Kaitlin Howarth (3/6), Caitlin Mary Parker-Allen (1/2), Elisabeth Alsemgeest (0/1), Shinae Carrington (1/1), Samantha Milicich (0/1) , Morgan Mc Dowall (1/5), Lucia Doak, Ella Pollock (0/2), Hooke Charlotte. Coach: Angela Winstanley-Smith.

**CANADA**

Gabriele Mantyka, Blaire Mc Dowell (0/8), Ava Marrant (1/3), Floranne Carroll (1/3), Juliette Belanger (1/4) , Apryl Gonzales(1/2), Valeria Rojas (0/2), Taylor Halbauer (0/2), Lucy Davis, Casey Taylor (0/1), Jaiden Miller (1/3), Allison Cameron , Marianne Bouchard (9/18, 50%). Coach: Daniel Bekhazi

**Shots:**

NZL: 9 - 29

CAN: 5 - 28

**Extrawomen:**

NZL: 1 - 7

CAN: 1 - 3

**Penalties:**

NZL: 3 - 3

CAN: -

MVP: Bernadette Doyle

**Report**

By the middle of the last quarter, it was a very balanced, equal match marked by excellent goalkeepers on both sides. Then we saw a period where New Zealand was more aggressive (and efficient), so in the last four minutes, the Canadian net was hit four times for the final victory of New Zealand.

Game 41, 16.40 , Semi-finals 5th – 8th place SF1: Hungary v Russia 13:11

Results & Teams

**Quarters:** 4:4, 2:2, 4:4, 3:1

**Referees:** Mr Hinds, Mrs Perry

**HUNGARY**

Alda Anon Magyari (15/26, 41,7%), Kinga Peresletgi Nagy, Zita King Armai (2/4), Lucca Petovari (1/5), Morika Pap (2/2) , Janka Kata Utassy (2/5), Fanny Muzsnay (1/2), Vanda Hugzti, Panna Kudella (2/3), Berta Farago (1/2), Natasa Rybanska (1/4), Dalma Domsodi (1/3), Barbara Papadi. Coach: Tamas Farago

**RUSSIA**

Diana Khamraeva (5/12, 41,7%), Anastasia Panfilova (2/5), Regina Galimzianova (0/3), Margarita Pystina (2/4), Elizabeta Ivanova, Polina Popova (1/8), Yulia Lapteva (2/2), Daria Chagochkina (3/5), Nadhezda Lipskaia (0/1), Anastasia Shiriaeva (0/2), Alena Topychkanova (1/4), Anana Kochetova (0/1), Polina Zabalueva (4/10, 40%). Coach: Sergey Markoch

**Shots:**

HUN: 13 - 30

RUS: 11 - 35

**Extrawomen:**

HUN: 3 - 9

RUS: 2 - 8

**Penalties:**

HUN: 1 - 1

RUS: 1 - 1

MVP: Janka Kata Utassy

**Report**

Three completely balanced quarters, with a lot of changes in the lead, with one goal ahead for either Hungary or Russia. In the last period of the game, Utassy, from penalty, and Pap, in counter attack, secured a decisive lead for Hungary that Russia could not overcome. Hungary will play for fifth and Russia for the seventh place.

Game 42, 18.00 , Semi-finals 5th – 8th place SF2: USA v Netherlands 7:8  
Results & Teams

**Quarters:** 1:3, 2:2, 2:1, 2:2

**Referees:** Mrs Goncharenko, Mr Bianco

**USA**

Thea Walsh, Chloe Harbitas (0/1), Valeria Ayala (3/7), Abrielle Hill (0/3), Skyler Jones (0/1), Bayley Weber (0/4), Jewel Roemer, Carson Broad, Honnie Vandeweghe - O'Shea (0/1), Hannah Constandse (2/3), Sophie Wallace (1/2), Ava Johnson (1/5), Georgia Phillips (8/16, 50%). Coach: Ethan Damato

**NETHERLANDS**

Sarah Buis (5/12, 41,7%), Lieke Rogge (1/4), Rozanne Voorvelt (1/2), Marit van der Weijden (2/4), Jasmin Entezar (0/1), Simone van der Kraats (2/6), Nina ten Broek (0/2), Maxine Schaap, Czynthia Mulder (0/1), Isis, Keijzer (0/2), Lot Stertefeld(1/2), Yara Galje (1/1), Sanne Keilver. Coach: Schothans Gerrit - Jan.

**Shots:**

USA: 7 - 27

NED: 8 - 25

**Extrawomen:**

USA: 1 - 10

NED: 3 - 9

**Penalties:**

USA: 2 - 3

NED: 1 - 1

MVP: Rozanne Voorvelt

**Report**

The US team obviously didn't recover from a shocking defeat against Italy in the quarter-finals. Netherlands started much better, firstly leading by 3:0, then by 5:2 in the second quarter, and 6:3 at the beginning of the third period. Americans then started to play better, raising the quality of their game. Three consecutive goals for 6:6, then also 7:7, but at 5.28 minutes before the end, Simone van der Kraats of Netherlands scored a goal. It turned out later that this was a winning goal. American players had the last attack, even with man-up situation, but the shot of Valeria Ayala was blocked by Rozanne Voorvelt.

Game 43, 19.20, Semi-finals 1st – 4th place SF1: Spain v Greece 13:9  
Results & Teams

**Quarters:** 2:1, 2:4, 6:4, 3:0

**Referees:** Mr Golikov, Mr Aimbetov

**SPAIN**

Sandra Domene (10/15, 66,7%), Andrea Arias (1/3), Clara Diaz (0/1), Mireia Guiral (2/4), Silvia Morell (2/2), Elena Camarena (0/1), Gisella Farre (0/3), Ariadna Ruiz, Olga Descalzi (0/1), Paula Camus (0/2), Ruth Arino (2/4), Alejandra Aznar (6/9), Paula Nieto (1/5, 20%). Coach: Javier Aznar

**GREECE**

Emmanouela Archontaki (10-23, 43,5%), Fountotou Eleftheria, Ninou Panagiota (0/2), Anastasia Loudt (1/3), Eleni Kanetidou(3/8), Dimitra Athina Giannopoulou, Ninou Eirin (0/7), Maria Myriokefalitaki (3/5), Effrosyni Katsimpri (0/6), Vasiliki Douli(1/2), Anna Ioulia Kontoni (1/3), Margarita Bitsakou, Angeliki Giannakea. Coach: Dimou Konstantinos

**Shots:**

SPA: 13 - 30

GRE: 9 - 36

**Extrawomen:**

SPA: 0 - 7

GRE: 4 - 9

**Penalties:**

SPA: 3 - 3

GRE: 1 - 2

MVP: Alejandra Aznar

**Report**

A great performance by two of the top teams in the tournament. Spain took over the game in the third quarter - the key moments were the end of it and the beginning of the last quarter. In the last second of the third quarter, Ruth Arino score for a 10:9 advantage for Spain. In the first action of the last peiord, Eleni Kanitedou from Greece had a penalty-shot but she missed. In a counter attack, Mireia Guiral scored for a 11:9 lead for Spain.

**Quotes****Greek national coach Dimou Konstantinos:**

“We had a lot of exclusions. After the third period, we were very tired. The tournament is difficult, we did not have a rest day like Spain. Well, that's sport, it's a game, now we have to turn for our next match. I hope we will win in the match for bronze”.

**Spain's best player Alejandra Aznar:**

“A very tough game with a great opponent. We played with heart, organised when it was needed. I am satisfied, we achieved great success, but we want gold. It will be difficult because the other team will for sure have the same goal”.

Game 44, 20.40, Semi-finals 1st – 4th place SF2: Italy v Australia 7:5  
Results & Teams

**Quarters:** 3:1, 2:2, 1:2, 1:0

**Referees:** Mrs Kunikova, Mrs Drury

## **ITALY**

Caterina Banchell (11/16, 68,8%), Sofia Guistini (0/2), Carlotta Meggiato (0/2), Giorgi Grazia Armedeo, Sara Cordovani , Lucrezia Cergol (5/9), Chiara Tori (0/3), Francesca Colleta (1/1), Dafne Bettini (0/2), Beatrice Clementi (0/5), Isabella Riccioli (1/3), Roberta Santapaola, Teresa Mairmone. Coach: Paolo Ziza

## **AUSTRALIA**

Lily Hawton (9/16, 56,3%), Jarnie Oberman (0/1), Nioka Thomas , Ruby Swadling (0/2), Sophie Milliken (0/2), Abby Andrews (1/2), Carla Traplin (1/7), Hayley Ballesty (1/2), Kasey Dalziel (0/2), Maisie Newell, Matlinda Kearns (2/3), Charlize Andrews (0/3), Allysa West. Coach: Dusan Damjanovic

### **Shots:**

ITA: 7 - 27

AUS: 5 - 25

### **Extrawomen:**

ITA: 3 - 10

AUS: 1 - 9

### **Penalties:**

ITA: 0 - 2

AUS: 1 - 2

MVP: Lucrezia Cergol

### **Report**

Italy is playing better and better as a tournament goes by, so this was not a surprise - Italy qualified for the final!

After only four minutes of the second quarter, there was a huge 5:1 for Italy. The Europeans displayed an excellent defense, a far more organised attack led by the extraordinary Lucrezia Cergol, a true headache for the Australian side. However, Australia didn't surrender.

So, after scoring three goals (two in second and one more at the beginning of the third quarter) came to only one-goal difference (5:4). Few minutes later 6:5. Australians also had opportunity to equalise with man-up situation. On the other side, Italy had even two penalty-shots in only five seconds, and they managed to

missed both! More precisely, both shots were saved by Australian goalkeeper Lily Hawthorn.

In the last quarter, Italy scored for 7:5 (Isabella Ricciolli) and Australia at 2.43 to go missed a penalty shot (Matlinda Kearns).

Quotes

**Dusan Damjanovic, coach of Australia:**

“Italy has shown a system that applies in younger categories. Lot of so-called ‘working’. Also, they were lucky with some shots. We were trying to respond by pressing, but it was not enough for a complete turning point”.

**Paolo Ziza, Italian coach:**

“A good game on both sides, and also a very difficult match. We've already forgotten Australia, I mean this match in the semi-final. Spain, our next opponent, is a great team, but I believe we will overturn the defeat in the group phase”.

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Spain and Italy will fight for the gold medal, while Greece and Australia for bronze medal at the 4th FINA World Youth Women's Water Polo Championships in Belgrade. This was the main outcome of Day 6 of the competition in the capital of Serbia, where we have seen the best edition of the Italian national team so far. Therefore, the decisive match between Italy and Spain will be the pinnacle of the whole tournament. These two teams already met in the preliminary phase when Spain convincingly won by 13:6 but the gold-medal match will bring more uncertainty.

Greece and Australia will seek consolation for the lost semi-finals in the third-place match. The team of the United States faced a new defeat, this time from Netherlands.

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