

ESSENDON WATER POLO CLUB

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2019 State Championships – Round 1

YthG



Mietta

It was a real changing of the guard as we say goodbye to OliviaR, Jess and Sophia who now sit outside this age group. In their place we'll see more appearances from OliviaC, Georgia, Sabina, Clementine and Annie joining the regulars. Not an auspicious start for this game with Miranda and Lucy out sick and the weather causing traffic delays with 3 girls arriving and jumping in just on the opening whistle (luckily the weather also delayed our game 5 minutes). Lara was in goals giving us a pretty good replacement for Miranda but leaving us a hole to fill at centre back. The late start meant we were a bit disorganised to start with, and MC drew a penalty and scored the first goal. But Essendon soon got into their groove with Camille notching 2 goals to give us a lead at the first break.

The young girls were doing a good job of holding up the opposition in the field, allowing the more experienced girls to drive forward and find gaps. Lara was saving the close shots. The 2nd half was similar with an MC goal cancelled out by 2 Mietta goals, one of which was a backhand from CF giving us a halftime lead at 4-2. We then let 2 goals in at the beginning of the third. MC were getting accurate goal corner shots away from the perimeter to counter our strong CF defense and zone. Then the girls kicked back into action with MC not being able to handle Mietta and she put away 2 more goals to leave us with a buffer going into the final quarter at 6-4. We managed to keep ahead throughout the 4th with a broad contribution to the goal scoring including Camille drawing a penalty on the drive. She couldn't convert but on the follow-up gained a 2nd and made no mistake. Lilly delivered a high tap-in after Mietta won a seemingly impossible ball and floated a pass over to Lilly on the drive. Claudia got in on the action with a well-taken goal after a tough game where she took the brunt of some heavy marking. MC had the final say with a consolation goal on the whistle but Essendon had it won. *Report by Torben Fink-Jensen*

Essendon defeated the MC Marlins : 9 – 6 Goals : Mietta 4, Camille 3, Claudia 1, Lilly 1

MSL5



Dean

Great start to the season despite being only a 7 man squad... largely because the opposition had 6! Everyone was keen and we started strong with 3-0, despite not setting up extra man once. We played better in the second quarter, where we managed to set up extra man in the last minute. But still the scoreboard had us 6-0. Then Rucus got into goals. The wall Matt Roberts was gone! Trump was upset. He likes walls. Third quarter was steady but our guys were starting to tire. We let them score a goal. Lucas got belted in the eye. Fortunately this was not a major injury but he didn't get any better looking. The last quarter was a bit sad. We lost the quarter despite being man up, but there were lots of kick outs. Only way to get a rest on the bench I suppose. A good start to the season and hopefully we'll get more players on board next week. *Report by Bryan Wee*

Essendon defeated Monash : 15 – 1 Goals : Dean 4, Lucas 3, Jamie 2, Marcus 1 and Nick 1 (Deano has never picked that many cherries!)

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