

## ADINA POLOCROSSE WORLD CUP 2019 DAILY HIGHLIGHTS & RESULTS – TUESDAY APRIL 23

### Australia move to clear favorites to win the cup

Fifth ranked New Zealand defeats world number one South Africa in what has been labelled 'the upset of the event' and has been predicted to move Australia to clear favorites to win the World Cup.

Following a win against United Kingdom yesterday, New Zealand have done the unexpected defeating South Africa 16 goals to 14, in a nail-biting match at IOR Morgan Park on Tuesday April 23.

Beau Moore was an absolute stand out, shutting down South Africa's key player Graham MacLarty (male player of the match in Monday's game between South Africa and Ireland). In the ladies side, Beth Peaker was very strong in the back of the line out, with these ladies lucky enough to have the champion Australian Stock Horse, Berragoon Percussion, on their team.

Australia and New Zealand played a preparation test match in March 2019, with Australia defeating New Zealand in all games. Perhaps it was this preparation that assisted New Zealand, or perhaps it is the balanced pool of horses supplied to all teams?? What we do know is that this is a strong indicator of how the green and gold are positioned for this World Cup.

According to two times Australian World Cup winning team coach, Ross Shepherd believes that this result could impact on the World Cup semifinals.

"If New Zealand defeat Ireland in their third game on Wednesday, New Zealand will finish on the top of their pool and will alter the predicted semifinal results"

"I think South Africa lost their way under the pressure. They would not have felt that kind of pressure in the last two world cups"

Ross went on to comment "Champion teams like SA and Zambia will find a way, just like Zambia did in their almost upset against Zimbabwe today".

Please see below the results and highlights from day two of the Adina Polocrosse World Cup 2019.

Supporting images can be [viewed here](#) and are available as high resolution without watermarks by contact the marketing team on 0439 192 193 or [marketing@polocrosseworldcup.com.au](mailto:marketing@polocrosseworldcup.com.au)

A video highlights reel and interviews with the New Zealand winners has been produced and can be [viewed and downloaded here](#) for media purposes.

## WORLD CUP GAME RESULTS & HIGHLIGHTS

**Game: United Kingdom vs Ireland**

Final score: United Kingdom 20 defeated Ireland 14

Awards: Female Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Jason Webb (UK)  
Male Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Charlotte Pykett (UK)  
Men's Horse of the Match (sponsored by Black Toyota): Django (#77)  
Women's Horse of the Match (sponsored by IOR Petroleum): Jaylyn Downs Joy (#73)

**Game: Zambia vs Zimbabwe**

Final score: Zambia 21 defeated Zimbabwe 19

Awards: Female Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Damien Harris (ZAM)  
Male Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Sophie Sargeant (ZIM)  
Men's Horse of the Match (sponsored by Black Toyota): Berragoon Ace (#118)  
Women's Horse of the Match (sponsored by IOR Petroleum): Piccaninny (#82)

**Game: Australia vs USA**

Final score: Australia 29 defeated USA 14

Awards: Female Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Abbott Grills (AUS)  
Male Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Lauren Sillitoe (AUS)  
Men's Horse of the Match (sponsored by Black Toyota): JH Stonemason (#120)  
Women's Horse of the Match (sponsored by IOR Petroleum): Leggetts Halo (#30)

**Game: New Zealand vs South Africa**

Final score: New Zealand 16 defeated South Africa 14

Awards: Female Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Beau Moore (NZ)  
Male Player of the Match (sponsored by Carroll Truck Sales): Beth Peaker (NZ)  
Men's Horse of the Match (sponsored by Black Toyota): Nungaburra Mavis (#103)  
Women's Horse of the Match (sponsored by IOR Petroleum): Jaylyn Downs Perth (#75)

Results of all World Cup games will be released live on the website post each game.

Full details on results for the **Barastoc Interstate competition** can be viewed on the website at <https://polocrosseworldcup.com.au/barastoc-results>

## PLAY OF THE DAY FROM THE CALL TEAM

Harry Kirk: "Chukka #1 ZAM v ZIM game, I called it when I saw it - Sophie Sergeants reverse backhand goal on the bell for 7-0 chukka. Hot stuff ZIM girls!"

Jim Callanan: "The last chukka of the NZ v SA game, Beau Moore's take out the back, the pass to Jason White, with an overarm goal for win over the favourites S.A."

Mark Semmens: "Jubilee to the kiwi supporters and players upsetting the current world champions S.A, unbridled emotion".

## WHAT'S ON TOMORROW

The second day of the Adina Polocrosse will see another four games of world cup action, with United Kingdom vs Ireland, Zambia vs Zimbabwe, Australia vs USA and South Africa vs New Zealand.

Ross Shepherd's predictions for tomorrow:

- ZAM v USA: ZIM to win after Tuesdays result against Zambia who were one of the favourites to make the final.
- NZ v IRE: Obviously on Tuesdays performance NZ to win comfortably, I think we need to check the kiwi's undies and find the bloke selling sandpaper. The favourites, S.A and Zambia are now both under pressure to make the final, as we have seen anything can happen.

Day three of the Adina Polocrosse will see South Africa, Australia, UK and Zambia enjoying a rest day, whilst Zimbabwe face USA and New Zealand face Ireland. This is the second and final official TAFE School Day's and will see hundreds of school students from across the region on site chanting for the various countries. Off the field, the main official function, the Morgan + English Twilight with the Stars, will take place under the stars from 6pm with each countries players and officials to be formally introduced to the 400 plus guests and the first exclusive Adina watch to go under the hammer.

Full event details can be found on the official event website at [www.polocrosseworldcup.com.au](http://www.polocrosseworldcup.com.au)

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