



Pool A – Friday 28 April  
18:00

England 10

France 0

FULL TIME: A great result for ENG because it not only gives them three straight wins, it also lifts them over JPN to the top of the Pool A points table on goal difference

**\*\* Goal: Sally WALTON (ENG) \*\***

67' ENG Goal. WALTON turns in a neat deflection off the left post from CLEWLOW's pass at the edge of the circle. The procession continues for ENG. ENG lead 10-0

**\*\* Goal: Lucilla WRIGHT (ENG) \*\***

65' ENG Goal. WRIGHT scores with a deflection into the roof of the net from the penalty spot

65' Repeat PC. CLEWLOW's shot hits the FRA GK but they can't clear

64' ENG PC. Cross from the left rebounds high off the FRA GK into danger

64' ENG are running FRA off their feet

**\*\* Goal: Helen RICHARDSON (ENG) \*\***

62' ENG Goal. Helen RICHARDSON (ENG) scores a great goal after eliminating a defender at the top of the circle and smashing a reverse stick low through the pads of the FRA GK

60' FRA runner Aurelie MORIN makes good ground to block the ball at the top of the circle as the variation headed to the right

60' ENG PC. Almost from the restart of play, ENG win yet another PC

**\*\* Goal: Lisa WOODING (ENG) \*\***

59' ENG Goal. Lisa WOODING scores with a penalty stroke to the left just above the backboard

59' ENG PS. Flick by CULLEN rebounds high off a FRA stick but a defender standing on the goal line raises her stick illegally to play the ball as it was going high into the net

58' ENG PC

58' ENG in good position on edge of FRA circle with free hit

57' Tackle by Emilie BEGUE (FRA) inside the circle dispossesses WALTON

55' Shot blocked by FRA

55' ENG PC. DANSON's shot from the top of the circle hits the foot of a FRA defender

**\*\* Goal: Helen GRANT (ENG) \*\***

52' ENG Goal. GRANT scores her second after guiding a deflection from mid-circle into the corner of the goal

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50' ENG Goal. Helen GRANT scores from close range after SCOTT first had an air swing and then connected with a reverse stick that was blocked by a FRA defender standing on the goal line. GRANT was in good position to score an easy tap in. Goal created by a great pass from deep defence from Mel CLEWLOW

49' All field players are bunched in the central corridor of the pitch with ENG in attack

- 47' FRA GK Marion REHBY makes a glove save from CULLEN's flick
- 46' ENG PC. Sally WALTON dribbles into the circle from the left and the ball hits the foot of a FRA defender
- 44' Scrappy start to the second half with basic skill errors from both teams
- 42' ENG Lucilla WRIGHT's shot from high in the circle goes wide over endline
- 41' FRA Philippine Berly with a run down the left side but unable to find help
- 40' Ball tackled away from ENG Alex Dawson but ENG retains possession
- 39' ENG back working outside FRA circle
- 38' France showing much more promise in the second half
- 36' Second half underway
- 35' HALF TIME: ENG have too much class for FRA and will win the match easily. However better options and patience in attack would have them further in front
- 35' CULLEN'S shot is blocked and the rebound is narrowly missed by the ENG strikers
- 35' ENG PC. ENG win a PC nine seconds before half time
- \*\* Goal: Lucilla WRIGHT (ENG) \*\***
- 32' ENG Goal. Lucilla WRIGHT scores a good goal from the top left of the circle after a smart touch by Alexandra SCOTT released her into space
- 30' ENG win ball but impatience and the wrong option in attack ends their chance as they streamed forward with numbers
- 29' FRA win a rare midfield contested possession and look to set up an attack
- 29' Elise PRENEY (FRA) gets in front of an ENG striker to diffuse a dangerous cross from the right
- 26' The match still following the same pattern - ENG attack and FRA defend in a very one-sided contest
- 22' CULLEN's flick flies high and to the right of the goal
- 22' ENG PC. From the restart of play, ENG earn another PC
- \*\* Goal: Alex DANSON (ENG) \*\***
- 21' ENG Goal. Alex DANSON scores an easy goal after ENG found space through the centre of the FRA defence
- 19' Switch of play from right to left gives ENG a chance but WALKER rushes her shot and the ball is easily cleared
- 18' FRA not being allowed to take the ball out of their own half, which is providing ENG with great field position from which to launch their attacks
- \*\* Goal: Crista CULLEN (ENG) \*\***
- 16' ENG Goal. CULLEN scores with a powerful strike low into the left corner
- 16' ENG PC. Helen RICHARDSON fouled inside the circle after desperation from WALKER gave her the ball in space
- \*\* Goal: Rachel WALKER (ENG) \*\***
- 13' ENG Goal. WALKER converts the penalty stroke to the left to score in her 100th international
- 13' ENG PS. Crista CULLEN's flick strikes the FRA defender on the body on the right post
- 12' ENG PC. Ball rises off a FRA stick into danger inside the circle
- 9' ENG with the better field position but there is little creativity in their play moving forward. FRA have been able to easily handle all challenges

- 9' WALKER dispossessed on the edge of the FRA and FRA clear up the right sideline
- 7' WALKER (ENG) enters the circle from the left but the FRA defence takes possession
- 6' A break in play as an ENG player is treated for injury
- 6' Both teams probing for weaknesses in each others' defence
- 3' ENG putting FRA under pressure coming out of defence and controlling play early in the match
- 1' Match underway
- 0'
- 0' Rachel WALKER (ENG) is playing her 100th international match today
- 0' The umpires for this match are Carolina de la FUENTE (ARG) and Lisette KLASSEN (NED)