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ROUND 2



3PM, SAT AUG 8 - NISSAN ARENA

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COACH'S CORNER

WITH ROSELEE JENCKE

WELCOME TO ROUND 2.

My overwhelming feeling following the game last week was how surreal it was to actually be back on court and playing in front of our Purple Family for season 2020.

Obviously straight after the game there's that sense of disappointment from the loss but, given the uncertainty that surrounded the competition in recent months, it was hard not to simply be grateful for the opportunity to step out and do what we love.

Despite the result, I was really pleased with phases of our game that have shown dramatic improvement from last year, including our structure and our intent. I thought the energy with which we started the game put us in a really strong position to halftime, but we must convert that into a full four quarter performance. Ultimately, it's the last game that counts not the first and we learnt some valuable lessons from Round 1 that will help us ensure we continue to improve as the season progresses.

One of the most exciting things out of the game was to see four of our players wear the purple dress for the first time. Into my 11th season now as Head Coach I've seen plenty of debuts, but I never tire of the joy that's so evident when a player takes to the court as a Firebird in their first game for our club. I was impressed by the manner in which Tippah, Mia, Lara and Ine took their opportunities with both hands, and thought they all did themselves, and our Purple Family, proud!

The Vixens present another challenge this week, and an opportunity to match ourselves against one of the strongest teams in the competition. They are a very disciplined and structured side, with depth of international experience in each third of the court. It's no surprise they've consistently challenged these past few seasons given the talent and experience on their list, and I know our players are looking forward to putting the Firebirds brand of netball on display against a quality team.

Finally, I wanted to take a moment to say thank you. If our first game reinforced anything it was that the loyalty of our Purple Family truly is the best in the competition. Today marks my 150th game as coach of this great club and it's given me cause to reflect. I'm generally not one for milestones – ours is a team sport where personal accolades rightly play second fiddle to the achievements of the group. It's hard not to take a moment though to be thankful for the journey. I've experienced both highs and lows in this job but if there's been one constant it's the support of our Purple Family – unwavering, dedicated and unashamedly passionate about your team. What we do we do for you, and that is one of the most rewarding aspects of this role.

Roselee Jencke



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TEAM LINE-UP



ROMELDA AIKEN
Position: GS
Height: 196cm
DOB: 19/11/88



MAHALIA CASSIDY
Position: C, WA
Height: 173cm
DOB: 09/10/95



LARA DUNKLEY
Position: WA, C, WD
Height: 180cm
DOB: 31/05/95



RUDI ELLIS
Position: GK, GD
Height: 180cm
DOB: 31/05/95



MACY GARDNER
Position: C, WA,
Height: 173cm
DOB: 07/06/00



KADIE-ANN DEHANEY
Position: GK, GS
Height: 192cm
DOB: 04/09/96



KATE EDDY
Position: WD, GD, GK
Height: 182cm
DOB: 28/12/96



TAYLA HONEY
Position: WA, C, WD
Height: 175cm
DOB: 20/08/97



MWAI KUMWENDA
Position: GS, GA
Height: 183cm
DOB: 27/09/89



EMILY MANNIX
Position: GK, GD
Height: 188cm
DOB: 16/04/94



TARA HINCHLIFFE
Position: GD, GK
Height: 185cm
DOB: 25/05/98



KIM JENNER
Position: GD, GK
Height: 184cm
DOB: 27/02/98



JEMMA MI MI
Position: C, WD, WA
Height: 176cm
DOB: 04/03/96



GABI SIMPSON (C)
Position: WD
Height: 176cm
DOB: 17/10/92



INE-MARI VENTER
Position: GS, GA
Height: 192cm
DOB: 21/04/95



SACHA McDONALD
Position: GA, WA
Height: 180cm
DOB: 25/01/00



KATE MALONEY
Position: WD, C
Height: 177cm
DOB: 08/01/93



JACQUI NEWTON
Position: GD, GK
Height: 185cm
DOB: 14/02/97



TEGAN PHILIP
Position: GA, GS
Height: 175cm
DOB: 03/09/88



CAITLIN THWAITES
Position: GS, GA
Height: 188cm
DOB: 29/12/86



TIPPAH DWAN
Position: GA, GS
Height: 178cm
DOB: 30/10/99



MIA STOWER
Position: GA, GS
Height: 182cm
DOB: 11/04/00



ROSELEE JENCKE
Head Coach



KATIE WALKER
Assistant Coach



NANNETTE RIGONI
Team Manager



LIZ WATSON
Position: C, WA
Height: 178cm
DOB: 30/03/94



JO WESTON
Position: GK, GD, WD
Height: 188cm
DOB: 14/02/94



SIMONE MCKINNIS
Head Coach



DI HONEY
Assistant Coach



LISA TAYLOR
Team Manager

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HEAD 2 HEAD

Kim Jenner

KIM JENNER

GK GD

D.O.B 27/02/1998
Height 185cm

2019 SEASON STATS

Games Played: 12
Intercepts: 10
Deflections: 60
Rebounds: 8
General Play Turnovers: 13
Nissan Net Points: 386.5

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2020 QUEENSLAND FIREBIRDS OFFICIAL MATCH PROGRAM

Caitlin Thwaites

CAITLIN THWAITES

GS GA

D.O.B 29/12/1986
Height 188cm

2019 SEASON STATS

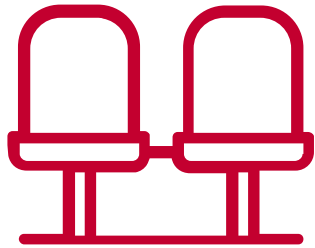
Goal Accuracy: 91%
Goals: 469
Goal Attempts: 516
Games Played: 16
Rebounds: 24
Nissan Net Points: 594

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- Joy Cardwell

THIS YEAR HAS BEEN DIFFERENT TO ANY OTHER AND, AS WE APPROACH THE START OF THE 2020 SUNCORP SUPER NETBALL SEASON, WE WANTED TO HEAR FROM MEMBERS OF OUR PURPLE FAMILY ABOUT WHAT THE BIRDIES MEAN TO THEM. IN THE FIRST OF OUR FIREBIRDS FAN BLOG'S, WE HEAR FROM SCHELLE TICK ABOUT WHAT SHE'S MISSED ABOUT HER FAVOURITE TEAM DURING THE COVID BREAK, AND WHAT SHE IS LOOKING FORWARD TO MOST ABOUT THE SEASON.

What a privilege it is to support such an amazing netball team, our Queensland Firebirds. There is no better place to be on game day than at the sold out Nissan Arena, sitting amongst a sea of purple. The roar from the crowd as Gabi leads our team onto the court is something that gets every fan's blood pumping. The game day atmosphere is electric, the players are pumped & the netball action is outstanding.

Gosh, I've missed our Suncorp Super Netball this year. Netball brings people together. Game day for me means going to the game with 5 of my favourite family & friends. We live and breathe netball. We all sit together. It's the best couple of hours of our week.

Then there is all the other friends that we know who are at the stadium as well. We catch up, talk all things netball of course, then settle into our seats & get pumped for some great netball action. Up go the social media posts, we have to let the whole world know that there's no better place to be than courtside, cheering on our Firebirds. Even the away games see us all gathering at my place, TV on, wearing all our purple and cheering on our beloved Birdies. That's what I love most about netball, being with family and friends.

We can't wait for the 2020 season. Doesn't our team lineup look outstanding too? We finished the 2019 season very strong so let's hope we can bring that momentum into this year. Gretel & Romelda, along with our up and coming youngsters bring so much excitement to the shooting circle. Jemma's speed in the midcourt is always thrilling & how great will it be to have the skills & experience of Mahalia back on court too! The combination of Tara & Kim developed into a very tough

defensive force last year. Combined with the brilliance of Gabi, I can't wait to see what these 3 can bring to the court this year in defence. I'm also super excited to welcome our new Birdies too. Lara, Rudi, Ine-Mari & Macy are all outstanding players and I know that they will all be working hard in preseason training. I can't wait to see what they bring to our team.

The 2019 season was a hard slog for the Firebirds. So many close games but their determination & "never say die" attitude is why we love them so much. Every match was still very exciting to watch and us fans were with them all the way, cheering them on. What outstanding role models they are for all our grass roots young players.

I have a great feeling about the 2020 season though. We are hungry for our first win at Nissan Arena and I know that we will get that this year. We are counting down the days.

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VEVE

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DUNKLEY

RUDI
ELLIS

TARA
HINCHLIFFE

MACY
GARDNER

ROMELDA
AIKEN

GABI
SIMPSON

GRETEL
BUETA

MAHALIA
CASSIDY

JEMMA MI
MI

KIMBERLEY
JENNER

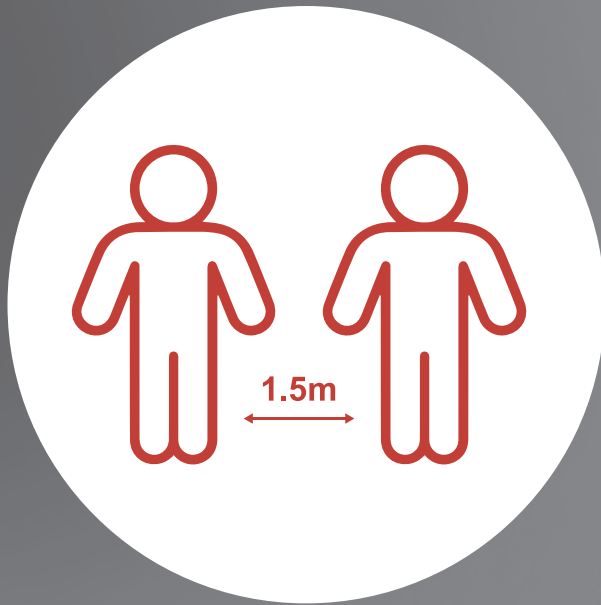
MIA
STOWER

INE-MARI
VENTER

TIPPAH
DWAN

RUBY
BAKEWELL-DORAN

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