

2011 Ice Fernz - Game Report3

Thursday, 31 March 2011

1:09 p.m.



IIHF Women's World Championships - Division IV

New Zealand 7

South Africa 2

- Game 3 of 4 put the Ice Fernz up against South Africa. Although team South Africa had not yet won a game the Ice Fernz knew this was not going to be an easy win. South Africa had nothing to lose but a win to the Ice Fernz would put them into gold medal position.

The 1st period started with a little less intensity than the previous two games due to the slower pace of the South Africans, The Ice Fernz scored first with a goal from Ashley Cunningham coming at 5:23. The Ice Fernz then put the a lot of pressure on the South African net, but soon found them selves on the penalty kill and with the Ice Fernz unable to clear the zone, South Africa soon evened the score. With less then a minute remaining in the period rookie defenseman Ali Macharg skated from behind her own net, passed to Kiri Langford and then followed the play up the rink to score her first IIHF goal on a back door play. The Ice Fernz out shot the South Africans 18-2

The 2nd Period started and the Ice Fernz lifted their game straight away and at the 3:49 mark Sheree Haslemore put one in the net with a pass from Casey Redman. One minute later Emma Gray skated coast to coast to beat the whole South African to shelf a backhand shot top shelf over the net minder's shoulder. The Ice Fernz had an outstanding period on defence and allowed no shots on net. The Ice Fernz again out shot the South Africa 20-0

In the 3rd period the Ice Fernz knew they were going to have to pick up their game if they were going to show they were the more dominant team. At 2:26 Haslemore score her 2nd goal of the game with a laser like pass from rookie Anjali Thakker, collecting her first point. Two minutes later Nicole Ferrier scored her first IIHF goal with assists from Michelle Cox and Gray. A defensive lapse allowed South Africa another goal making it 6-2 with 10 minutes left. With 6:30 left Cunningham and Gray teamed up again to put the nails in the coffin leaving South Africa to only look on in despair. Final Score 7-2 to the Ice Fernz, out shooting South Africa 54-5

Player of the game Ali Macharg

Goals - Ashley Cunningham (2) Sheree Haslemore (2) Ali Macharg (1) Emma Gray (1) Nicole Ferrier (1)

Assists - Emma Gray (3) Kiri Langford (1) Casey Redman (1) Anjali Thakker (1) Michelle Cox (1)

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