

Underwater Derby revisited

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In the English language, a competition between two teams that are geographically very close to each other is known as a «local derby», and in October - barely eight months after we first discovered that they even existed - we were invited to a second tournament hosted by our new-found friends in Mulhouse.

In the «first round» in March we had only been five players, so we had cooperated with two other teams in order to make up a viable team for our games. However, this time we had no problem in filling the team roster. Four of the five from the March tournament were once again present, plus Jeremy and Alex from Zürich, Kevin who had earned his Swiss UWH passport in Madrid, Markus from the newly discovered team in Kloten, and Sophie from Lyon.

The level of the teams at the tournament were fairly consistent, and there were some very evenly matched games. However, it was obvious that the Zürcher were badly missing playing in a proper pool, as we kept being all out of position and having our opponents swim around the outside of us. However, we did manage to beat Strasbourg 2, Nancy and the Mulhouse Ladies, which placed us fourth out of seven - a respectable result.

The games:

Munich	5-0	Strasbourg2
Strasbourg1	8-0	Zurich
Mulhouse	6-0	Nancy
Strasbourg2	5-0	Mulhouse Fille
Zurich	5-1	Nancy
Mulhouse	0-5	Strasbourg1
Munich	5-0	Mulhouse Fille
Strasbourg1	8-0	Nancy
Mulhouse	4-2	Zurich
Mulhouse	2-3	Munich
Strasbourg2	0-2	Zurich
Nancy	2-1	Mulhouse Fille
Mulhouse	2-0	Zurich
Strasbourg1	3-0	Munich

Results table:

- 1- Strasbourg1
- 2- Munich
- 3- Mulhouse
- 4- Zurich
- 5- Strasbourg2
- 6- Nancy
- 7- Mulhouse Fille

Martin Reed



Jeremy, Favio, Kevin, Markus, Sophie, Alain



Alain, Sylvania, Sophie, Kevin, Jeremy, Markus, Favio, Martin, Alex