

## Kranj 2017 tournament report

24. February 2017

On the 24th of February, A Swiss mix team participated at the 21st UWH Tournament «Memorial Boštjana Mesareca».

The Swiss mix team was made up of Krishna (captain), Cyril (vice captain), Tulin, Marco, Mollie, Favio (from Grenoble), Milena and Aleksandra (the latter two being ex-Serbian national players).

We met up an hour before the tournament and fixed our formation. After countless messages beforehand and literally a week of practicing 2:3:1 we reverted to type and played 3:3.

The competition level was high and we finally finished in 9th place of 11 having beaten two teams; The Munich Marlins (who brought a whiteboard along that stated their #1 objective was to «Beat the Swiss Mix team») and the Octopussies (aka the Czech women's team). The full list of our games and results is below:

Calypso vs. Swiss Mix	3:0
Hungarian Ladies vs. Swiss Mix	6:0
Munich vs. Swiss Mix	2:3
Hungarian Elite vs. Swiss Mix	6:0
Serrasalmus vs. Swiss Mix	3:0
Swiss Mix vs. Hrvatska (Croatia)	0:2
Swiss Mix vs. Czech Ladies	5:0

During our fourth game, one of our forwards, Marco, was flicked in the head by one of the Hungarian Elite. Despite them being known for their strong flicks, their powerful flicks (and until now their

accurate flicks...) the encounter, while drawing blood, thankfully required no stitches, highlighting the toughness of our Zurich players. We wish Marco a quick and painless recovery culminating in the quick and painless removal of his bandage.

After the tournament was complete we headed to the dinner and party. The food was plentiful, the drinks were cheap and the atmosphere buzzing with a good vibes. We of course acted with the level of decorum and grace expected of us ;)

To summarize, while we had some teething issues with our formation / subbing (common for teams meeting on the day) and injury/illness. The good far outweighed the bad and overall it was a fun tournament.

I would like to thank the team for giving it their best and end this report with a couple of lessons learned:

- 1) Donat Mg is not a sports drink. Seriously.
- 2) The Slovenians know how to party, and
- 3) UWH is awesome!

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