



# THE SAKAI TIMES



## USA defeats Canada in Women's Semifinals

After losing to both Japan and Canada in pool play, team USA looked like a completely different squad in the semifinals vs. Canada. After a close start, tied at 4-4, the Americans pulled away and never looked back. The difference in the game was the hucking efficiency of Canada vs. USA. Canada was unable to connect on their deep shots, where as the Americans converted on their opportunities. Alex Synder led the way for the Americans, hitting Alicia White and Georgia Bosscher for scores. Team USA went on to win 17-10 and will face Japan in the semis. Japan won convincingly over Colombia, 17-13, also advancing to the finals. Japan defeated the U.S. earlier this week, 16-14, in pool play.

## News and Notes

**Mixed:** Australia and Canada advance to the finals, Japan takes the bronze in mixed defeating USA.

**Masters:** Canada dominates for the majority of the finals before Australia mounts a comeback. Too little too late, the Canadians take the gold, Australia the silver, and Japan the bronze

**Women Masters:** Canada makes it look closer than it was, but Team USA takes the gold 15-13 in the finals. Canada the silver, Japan the bronze.

## Sakai Style Awards



Best Hair

Elizabeth Mosquera (Colombia Women's)



Best Moustache

Jaimie Cross – Great Britain Mixed

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## Great Britain goes to the finals

The first open semifinals definitely didn't disappoint, featuring multiple lead changes and a devastating zone, as Great Britain prevailed 15-14. Sweden opened the game with a break as their 4 man cup wreaked havoc on the Great Britain offense early. However, Great Britain's Daniel Furnell provided the steady hand to patiently guide his offense through the shifty zone. With the offense now comfortable, the defense went to work... *Continued Next Page*

## USA over Canada in a close one

Fans were treated to another great semifinal, as the Americans survived a late run by the Canadians to win 17-16. Team Canada broke early, taking advantage of several American miscues. Oscar Pottinger and John Hassel were in sync early, both hitting on deep throws to help the Canadians build their early lead. Team USA responded with tenacious defense late in the first half, taking a 9-8 lead. The attitude would carry into the 2<sup>nd</sup> half.. *Continued Next Page*

## Stat Leaders By Division

**Open:** Davide Morri (Italy) 55 pts  
**Women's:** Yina Cartagena (Colombia) 79 pts  
**Mixed:** Santiago Montano Tobon (Colombia) 54 pts  
**Masters:** Tom Rogacki (Australia) 51 pts  
**Women Masters:** Nakamura Noriko (Japan) 39 pts

Have you checked out the official tournament photographers yet? Go to [nzsnap.com](http://nzsnap.com) and [ultimatephotos.org](http://ultimatephotos.org) and try to find yourself!



## Great Britain survives Sweden's zone, advances to the finals (Cont.)

...breaking for an 8-5 lead. Sweden rallied, relying on their zone to produce confusion once again. The lead would be reduced to one at half, Great Britain up 9-8. After the offenses traded to start off the second half, the Swedes took the lead 11-10, striking quickly after another turnover produced by the zone. After holding to the 12-12, Matthew Parslow took over, involved in scoring the final five points for Great Britain. Sweden tied it at 14s, but changed their defense from their zone to man. Great Britain's offense worked beautifully, putting the game away 15-14.

## Team USA survives a close call, Canada nearly completes comeback (Cont.)

... where the defensive pressure caused Canada to take shots that weren't easily available, leading to turnovers. The outcome was all but determined, with team USA leading 15-11. However, the Canadians weren't done yet, displaying a new zone for the first time in the game. A deep pull set up a pressure situation that led to an errant throw by Adam Simon in the end zone. With the very short field, the Canadians stuffed it in, and the comeback was on. Numerous American mental errors allowed Canada to tie at 16 all. On double game point, Robbie Cahill and the rest of team USA displayed the patience and poise they are known for, working it slowly downfield. Beau Kittredge appeared to be stalled out on Canada's goal line, but the call came back as contested. Kittredge flicked it back to Cahill and busted to the break side for the goal and the win.



## TODAY'S SCHEDULE July 14

Women's				Mixed				Open			
Time	Field			Time	Field			Time	Field		
10:30	S1	Japan	— USA	12:45	S1	Canada	— Australia	15:00	S8	Great Britain	— USA
								17:15		Awards & Closing Ceremony	



## BEST PERSPECTIVE

Great Britain's Jolian Dahl reaches for the sky against Sweden in an exhiirating semifinal. GB won 15-14 and will face USA in the finals.



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## YESTERDAY'S SCORES

Open			Women's			Mixed			Open Masters		
Sweden	14 - 15	Great Britain	Australia	17 - 4	New Zealand	Colombia	17 - 10	South Africa	France	17 - 11	Germany
USA	17 - 16	Canada	Great Britain	14 - 16	Germany	Finland	8 - 14	Hong Kong	Japan	17 - 14	USA
New Zealand	17 - 8	Colombia	Finland	15 - 10	Singapore	China	6 - 17	Russia	Australia	13 - 17	Canada
Austria	13 - 16	France	Canada	10 - 17	USA	France	6 - 17	Great Britain			
South Africa	16 - 15	Netherlands	Japan	17 - 13	Colombia	Philippines	14 - 17	Germany			
Italy	17 - 12	Philippines	Finland	17 - 2	Mexico	Canada	17 - 6	USA			
Mexico	17 - 15	Hong Kong	Australia	16 - 11	Germany	Australia	16 - 13	Japan			
Australia	17 - 13	Germany	New Zealand	11 - 17	Great Britain	China	10 - 16	Hong Kong			
Japan	17 - 8	Finland	Singapore	17 - 7	Mexico	Finland	10 - 13	Netherlands			
Sweden	8 - 17	Canada	Colombia	12 - 16	Canada	Colombia	13 - 17	Russia			
						Great Britain	17 - 9	Germany			
						France	10 - 17	Philippines			
						USA	13 - 15	Japan			

  

Guts			
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Japan RED	2	-	0 USA
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