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Pool A Standings

Team	W	L
United States	3	0
Australia	2	0
Canada	1	2
England	0	2
Wales	0	2

Pool B Standings

Team	W	L
Japan	3	0
Scotland	2	0
Czech Republic	1	2
Germany	0	2
New Zealand	0	2

Yesterday's Results

Pool A

Australia 15, England 4
United States 15, Canada 7

Pool B

Japan 26, New Zealand 1
Scotland 14, Czech Republic 2

Today's Games

11 a.m. – England vs. Wales
2 p.m. – United States vs. Australia
5 p.m. – Scotland vs. Japan
7:30 p.m. – Germany vs. New Zealand



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GAME SUMMARIES (games played Saturday)

JAPAN 26, NEW ZEALAND 1

Akiko Wada had six goals and three assists as Japan defeated New Zealand 26-1 in a Pool B game. Japan, which can clinch the top seed out of Pool B With a win against Scotland today, improved to 3-0 and New Zealand fell to 0-2.

Kana Uwai also had six goals for Japan and Sachio Yamada had five goals and two assists. Japan goalies Ayuko Toyoda and Maki Nishimura combined for six saves while allowing just one goal. Natalie Turner scored the lone goal for New Zealand.

Japanese defender Mihoko Kawanabe was named the player of the match.

AUSTRALIA 15, ENGLAND 4

Kate McHarg, Jen Adams and Casey Magor keyed an 11-0 run that spanned both halves as Australia turned a 3-2 deficit into a 13-3 lead on their way to a 15-4 Pool A win.

After Alisa Stott scored two goals to help England go up early, 3-2, Adams tied the game with an unassisted marker at 18:14. McHarg and Magor then tallied with 38 seconds of each other to put Australia ahead for good. Sonia Judd and Tess McLeod also scored to give the Australians a 7-3 halftime lead. The Australian defense, keyed by Player of the Match Sarah Forbes (one goal, one assist), held England scoreless for 36:28 and allowed England to get off just 11 shots for the game.

Rachana Shetty recorded eight saves for England, which squares off against Wales at 11 a.m. today. Australia will meet the United States following that game.

UNITED STATES 15, CANADA 7

The United States overcame a slow start to defeat Canada 15-7 in a Pool A game. Canada led 2-1 early and it was 2-2 midway through the first half before the United States closed the half on a 3-0 run to take a 5-2 halftime lead. Crysti Foote scored for Canada to open the second half to make it 5-3, but the U.S. then scored six straight goals to put the game away.

Quinn Carney led the U.S. with six goals and an assist to earn player of the match honors for the second time in the tournament. Aumiller added five goals for the U.S. Foote led Canada with four goals and Jessica Brownridge added two goals and two assists.

SCOTLAND 14, CZECH REPUBLIC 2

Valerie Houston scored three of her game-high four goals during a 10-0 run that sandwiched halftime as Scotland ran away to a 14-2 Pool B. After a 1-1 tie, Christine Russell began Scotland's run with an unassisted goal at 19:34. Amanda McKie netted a solo marker, and Player of the Match Katherine Moir, who caused two turnovers, scored from Jane Gardiner before Houston began her exploits.



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Scoring Leaders

Player	G	A	P
Wada, Jap	13	5	18
Uwai, Jap	12	3	15
Carney, US	11	1	12
Yamada, Jap	9	3	12
Houston, Scot	10	2	11
Foote, Can	10	1	11
Strohsova, Czech	6	4	10
Monte Hiller, US	6	4	10
McKie, Scot	5	5	10
Aumiller, US	8	1	9
Johnson, Can	3	5	8
Judd, Aus	6	1	7
Hamada, Jap	5	2	7
Adams, Aus	2	5	7

Goalie Leaders

Player	GAS	v	%
Nishimura, Jap	2	8	.800
Demetriadi, Scot	5	10	.667
Wilk, US	8	8	.500
Lindsey, US	8	7	.467
McSolvin, Aus	6	5	.455
Cassidy, Can	21	17	.447
Drevikovska, Czech	32	25	.439

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Historic Rivalry Resumes Today

In six previous World Cups, only Australia has beaten the U.S.

The records tell all. For an event which historically has been dominated by the United States, the IFWLA World Cup can always count on a stubborn showing from Australia and its most loyal fan base, which again has made its presence known here in Annapolis, Md.

When the U.S. and Australia draw today at 2 p.m., it will mark the 11th meeting between the two teams in World Cup play. Since 1982, when the event premiered in Nottingham, England, the U.S. is 5-5 against Australia, and 29-0 against everyone else. That includes 1986, when the Australians upset the U.S. 10-7 in the World Cup final in Swarthmore, Pa. Consequently, that was the last time the Cup was held on American soil.

The teams will play today for the first time since the 2001 final, when the U.S. seemingly earned some separation in a convincing 14-8 victory over Australia. Prior to that, their previous nine encounters were all decided by three goals or less.

"They're up there, just waiting to be knocked off that pedestal. And it's our job to do it," Australia's Michelle Lincoln said after the team's win Saturday over England. "We're here to win it. We're not here to come in second. They've got to take it to us just as much as we do them."

Australia is 2-0 thus far in pool play, with the U.S. checking in at a 3-0 clip (Australia did not play Thursday). As far as common opponents in this World Cup are concerned, Australia defeated Canada 17-2 and England 15-4, while the U.S. has defeated those teams 15-7 and 13-5, respectively. The U.S. can clinch Pool A with a win.

Asked if she was concerned that Australia beat Canada more handily, U.S. midfielder Lauren Aumiller said, "Not at all. That was their first game and they played well, but maybe Canada didn't have a great day. You can only really tell how Australia's going to be when we play them [today]."

United States versus Australia in the World Cup (since 1982):

- 1982** Australia 7, U.S. 4 (round-robin game)
U.S. 10, Australia 7 (gold-medal game)
- 1986** Australia 4, U.S. 3 (RR)
Australia 10, U.S. 7 (GM)
- 1989** Australia 2, U.S. 1 (RR)
- 1993** U.S. 6, Australia 5 (RR)
- 1997** Australia 6, U.S. 4 (RR)
U.S. 3, Australia 2 (GM, sudden victory)
- 2001** U.S. 7, Australia 5 (RR)
U.S. 14, Australia 8 (GM)

Pool B on the Line, Too

With Japan winning apparently at will, and 41-year-old Valerie Houston leading one last charge for Scotland, today's intrigue will not lie solely in the U.S.-Australia game. Pool B, whose top seed will be determined today in a 5 p.m. match between Japan and Scotland, has upstage potential.

The Japanese (3-0) have finished seventh in each of their previous three World Cups, but Scotland (2-0) is a veteran of international play, playing in its seventh World Cup. Houston, who has played in the previous five, comes in with nine goals and two assists after two games. Japan boasts the Cup's leading scorer in Akiko Wada (13g, 5a) and has yielded just four goals in three Pool B games.