

AtaHolding Champions Challenge – Women
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15:45

China 1

USA 2

- 70'** CHINA 1:2 USA China dominated large spells of the second half, but USA were solid in defence and secured their first win of the tournament.
- 68'** CHN - PC: Well cleared by USA, winning a foul off a CHN player in the process. They are hanging on desperately to secure the win

**** Goal: Song QING LING ****

- 66'** Song QING LING goes round the keeper and passes it into an open net after a fantastic attacking move by CHN
- 64'** Li HONG XIA picks up the ball in space and has time to shoot, but makes a mess of it. USA clear
- 60'** PC - CHN: Well worked routine is cleared away by USA. CHN are struggling to get the break-through that they need
- 57'** A USA attack results in a penalty corner, but CHN defend it well and head forward, but Gao LI HUA runs the ball harmlessly out of play
- 55'** CHN are straight back up the other end trying to pull a goal back, and the USA are defending excellently

**** Goal: Michelle KASOLD ****

- 53'** KASOLD picks up the ball with the keeper to beat, and fires into the corner, completely against the run of play this half.
- 50'** USA - PC: first attempt blocked, and another corner is awarded, which is wasted by the USA
- 49'** Tiffany SNOW wins a PC for USA
- 45'** USA are desperate to clear their lines, and are hitting the ball out of play at every available opportunity. CHN are really going for them
- 41'** PC - CHN: Ma YI BO flicks, but TRAN saved. A CHN goal could come from all this pressure
- 38'** Zhou WANG FENG fires a dangerous free hit from the top of the circle, but Ren YE cannot deflect the shot goal bound. USA are being pushed deep into their own half currently
- 37'** CHN start the half with intent, moving down the right and putting a ball into the danger area, but TRAN kicks to safety
- 36'** Second Half underway
- 35'** CHN 0:1 USA

**** Goal: Rachel DAWSON ****

- 33'** A brilliant penalty corner strike from DAWSON gives USA the lead. CHN look stunned
- 32'** PC - USA:

- 30'** Tang CHUN LING makes a good run down the right and plays a pass into the danger area, but the eventual shot is wide of the target, not causing any trouble keeper Amy TRAN
- 28'** Zhang YAN moves down the left and into the circle as CHN start to increase the pressure, but runs the ball out of play, much to her frustration
- 22'** USA are beginning to string some passes together, and it is obviously frustrating the CHN players. USA are enjoying long periods of possession.
- 15'** Li HONG XIA bursts down the right in a promising position for CHN, but USA deal with the threat. USA are more than holding their own in this contest, playing far better than they did yesterday
- 9'** Tang CHUN LING shows outstanding skills in the circle before finding Zhou WANG FENG who forces a good save from USA keeper Amy TRAN
- 7'** CHN looking threatening, with USA seemingly content to soak up the pressure and counter-attack.
- 3'** CHN - PC: Fired wide, but an early warning for USA
- 0'** Welcome to the second match of the day, with China taking on USA. The umpires for this match are Minka WOOLLEY (AUS) and Elena ESKINA (RUS)