

Enigma goes to 3-0 in feature match; wins by Audi/Millarville, Tonkawa and Palm Beach Illustrated in Joe Barry Memorial Cup play

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Tonkawa 11, La Indiana 9

A realigned La Indiana team (Michael Bickford, Joao Paulo Ganon, Ruki Baillieu and Tommy Collingwood) gave Tonkawa (Jeff Hildebrand, Gonzalo Deltour, Sebastian Merlos and Mason Wroe) a battle in the opening chukkers of the noon game before falling behind by five goals at halftime to fall in an 11-10 Tonkawa win.

Gonzalo Deltour scored the opening goal of the game from the field in the first chukker and added a 60-yard penalty conversion for the early 2-0 Tonkawa lead. Playing at the Number 2 position for La Indiana, Tommy Collingwood cut the lead in half, 2-1, with his first goal of the game.

Fouls were costly for both sides in the second period with Deltour converting a pair of 30-yard penalty shots for a 4-1 Tonkawa lead. Brazilian 7-goaler Joao Ganon answered back in kind, converting twice from the 30-yard line for La Indiana and keeping his team close, 4-3.

Tonkawa owned the third period with Deltour coring three times (once on a penalty shot) and Sebastian Merlos adding a goal from the field. A disciplined Tonkawa defense held La Indiana scoreless they rode off the field at the end of the first half with a commanding advantage. Ganon scored on a 40-yard penalty shot for La Indiana, but gained no ground. A 60-yard penalty conversion from Deltour kept Tonkawa in front by five goals, 9-4

Tonkawa team captain, Jeff Hildebrand, converted a penalty shot for a goal to open the fifth period, 10-4. A goal from the field from Deltour stretched the lead to seven goals, 11-4. Ganon scored a goal from the field but that would be the extent of the La Indiana offense in the period as the Tonkawa lead grew to six goals, 11-5.

Ganon scored four unanswered goals in the sixth chukker (one on a 40-yard penalty shot) as Tonkawa breezed their horses through the final seven minutes of their 11-9 victory.

Deltour led the field with a game-high nine goals (five on penalty conversions). Merlos and Hildebrand each added a goal for the win. Ganon scored half of his eight goals from the field for La Indiana. Collingwood was credited with the team's other goal.