

Thursday 27 July

20:00

**Argentina 0**

**Australia 6**

72' Man of the Match is Luke DOERNER.

70' A deserved win for the AUS who have dominated most of this match. The large number of goals scored puts them ahead of Spain in the table and may well prove crucial when it comes down to who makes the final.

68' ARG manage a rare attack, ALMADA getting into the circle from the left, but his weak reverse stick shot goes to an AUS defender.

**\*\* Goal: Michael McCANN \*\***

66' A ball coming into from the right side, McCANN dives in, 6:0.

64' ARG still hang on by the skin of their teeth in defense but have nothing to offer in offense anymore. They rarely manage to leave their own half, play is firmly lodged in the ARG half.

**\*\* Goal: Luke DOERNER \*\***

60' A high flick to the left side of the goal is deflected by CHAO but still lands in the net.

59' PC for AUS.

57' RICCARDI's flick is easily saved by MOWLAM.

57' PC for ARG. Umpire JAMSON awarded this PC for AUS repeatedly obstructing a free hit to be taken by ARG far from the circle.

53' Green card for Rob HAMMOND.

48' Reverse stick shot from the far left from McCANN but the ball goes meters wide.

47' ARG manages to get into the AUS circle for the first time in this half but the AUS defense have no trouble in stopping them.

45' ARG are back to 11 players.

**\*\* Goal: Michael BOYCE \*\***

44' A ball into the circle is deflected by BOYCE in falling with a reverse stick motion. The ball goes through under CHAO to extend AUS's lead to four.

41' The shot is deflected out to their left side by the ARG defense.

41' ARG are finding it increasingly hard to cope with the pressure put on by AUS. They look tired already. PC for AUS.

38' Yellow card for Fernando ZYLBERBERG after a rough tackle.

36' AUS are playing the second half with their other goalkeeper: LAMBERT has played the first half, whereas MOWLAM will be between the posts now.

35' The teams go into halftime with AUS 3 goals ahead. The Aussies have dominated this half, and ARG do not look like they will be able to challenge their opponents in the second half either.

35' McCANN has a great opportunity in the dying seconds of this first half, getting

into the circle alone. CHAO saves though, and OROZCO clears.

34' Green card for Lucas CAMMARERI.

**\*\* Goal: Luke DOERNER \*\***

32' DOERNER's flick to the left side of the goal again bypasses CHAO for the 3:0.

31' PC for AUS.

31' Green card for Tomas ARGENTO.

**\*\* Goal: Luke DOERNER \*\***

28' A weak shot to the bottom left corner of the goal still finds its mark. The ARG defense has not looked particularly good on this occasion.

28' PC for AUS.

27' ZYLBERBERG loses the ball in midfield, and DWYER makes a dash into the circle. His pass out to the right is missed by SCHUBERT.

24' ARG have not yet had a shot on goal, not even a circle penetration. AUS dominate the match but are finding the ARG defense to be quite an obstacle.

**\*\* Goal: Grant SCHUBERT \*\***

19' AUS have a free hit on the right side at the edge of the circle. The ball finds SCHUBERT, but his first shot is saved by CHAO. SCHUBERT swings through the air though for the rebound, and connects to put it in for the first goal of the match.

15' ELDER's flat hit is saved and cleared out to the left side by LOPEZ.

14' ELDER gets into the circle in the middle. His shot on goal is saved by CHAO but the ball goes high and hits an AUS player standing nearby. PC for AUS.

12' Play continues in the same manner. ARG find it hard to so much as penetrate the AUS half, let alone the opponents' circle.

8' The ARG defense is struggling already, still holding on but under constant pressure as the AUS are pushing for an early goal.

4' ELDER's low ball is saved by CHAO and cleared by the ARG defense.

4' PC for AUS.

3' The first shot on goal comes from AUS, McCANN receiving the ball near the penalty stroke point and attempting to hit it into the roof, but it goes high over the crossbar, clearing the fence and landing near the top row of the stands.

0' ARG are playing their second goalkeeper today, Mariano CHAO taking the place of VIVALDI. In the stands for ARG are Matias REY and Pedro IBARRA, while AUS are resting Matt NAYLOR and Mark KNOWLES.

0' Welcome to the last match of day 4 of the Sahara Champions Trophy. Australia meet Argentina, with AUS currently on four points and in 4th place in the table, certainly looking for points to keep in the running for the final. ARG on the other hand already have no possibility of reaching the final anymore.

0' The umpires for this game are Syad ZULFIQAR (PAK) and Hamish JAMSON (ENG).