



Hostile Intentions takes Round 4 and 2010 Series

Hostile Intentions (HI), Professional Paintball Team and recent recipient of the 2010 BDS Logan Sports Team of the Year Award, has returned from Sydney with all the spoils. HI went into the final round of the Super 7's Australia Paintball Championships with a secure 6 point lead. Securing the series win was our number one concern but as the weekend progressed a final round win was on the cards.

What is paintball?

Paintball is an organised sport similar to skirmish. The field is generally a flat grass field, as per most sports, and arranged on it are various size and shape inflatable obstacles of which is mirrored around a 50 yard line. Each team has 5 players on the field at a time and start at the extreme opposite ends of the field. At the start of the 10 minute game time players "breakout" from this start position and attempt to move to obstacles on the field through a hail of paintballs. Once all opposition is eliminated, by being marked with paint, a point is completed at which time a 2 minutes timeout is started before we do it all over again. A match is only complete if a team scores 5 points or game time is elapsed.



Friday

Round 4 of the Super 7's Paintball Championships, or The Masters, was an extended event with the running of State of Origin 10 man competition on the Friday. HI was to complete for Queensland for the first time. Pride was at stake as New South Wales had dominated this event for over 5 years. As the QLD team was a mixture of teams it took our first game, and first loss, to find our feet. So with a loss to ACT and only NSW to come, QLD would have to pick their act up.

At that we did with a win over NSW. But we would have to meet the champions again in the final; this was another hard fought affair that sees QLD come our victorious as the State of Origin Champions for 2010 and giving HI and good feeling going into the Super 7's tomorrow.

Finally on the Friday, all of the HI team had volunteered to hold a clinic for the Semi-Pro and Amateur teams. The subject was field walking, we would go into all the planning and tactics before a paintball is ever shot. With well over 30 attendees the clinic was a massive success and we hope to bring a series of them in the 2011 season at each of the Super 7's rounds.

Saturday

The Pro bracket was scheduled to start at 11am where the weather had a hot little surprise for us with the temperature peaking out at 36 degrees. This would make for another opponent other than our fellow paintballers. Round 1 and HI was to take on our local training buddies, Blood Knuckles. This ended in a one sided victory for HI 5 points to zip.

Round 2 saw us take on another Queensland based team RAW. RAW gave us a number of difficult points but in the end HI continued its roll and won this match 5 to 1.

After the completion of round 2 the heavens opened and the event was postponed until Sunday where we would have a reduced schedule of 6 instead of 7 rounds.



Sunday

Round 3 and the first game on Sunday would see us take on our nearest rivals in the title race, SWAT. This match was always going to be hard fought and eventually timed out with HI on top 4 to 2.

Game 4 saw us matched up against pro bracket new comers HUSTLE. Hustle provided little resistance with a 5 to zip beating. After this game the tournament organisers had re-evaluated their time schedule and were forced to remove another round from the tournament making it a total of 5. Round 5 and the final round of preliminaries. HI was to meet a team of experienced paintballers coming together under the banner RONIN. The match was again hard fought but HI emerged victorious with a 5 to 2 win.

This would see HI go straight to the grand final, having already won the series, to meet team EXPLICIT. Being the final this match was always going to be difficult but with an undefeated run to this match HI was on a roll that just could be stopped. HI would complete it white wash of the Masters with a 5 to 1 victory over Explicit. This gave HI the series and round win completing an unprecedented 3 in a row round wins for 2010.



At the presentation the accolades kept flowing for HI and its players. Cameron Smith was awarded the 2010 Player of the Year Award, all of HI was selected in the Dream Team for 2010 and finally Gavin Andrew wins the event raffle. We just couldn't lose.

This is the last event for HI in the 2010 season. We look forward to completing in 2011 with a number of overseas events on the cards. We would also like to thank everyone who makes our paintball possible. Our Sponsors – Dye

Paintball, Skirmish Samford, Furious Paintball, Hater Paintball. The guys from Blood Knuckles who train with us and assist us at events when required and finally our partner and bosses who tolerate our passion and give us the time and support we need to complete at the highest level. Thank you, Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, see you in 2011.



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