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## **HEADLINE:**

Cambridge Mixed wins Game 1 of Ultimate Showcase Series
Concord, MA

On a beautiful night at Concord-Carlisle stadium in front of 200+ fans, including 100+ high school students, Cambridge held on to take a closely contested 15-13 win over Boston in the opening game of the Mixed Division series. Jim Parinella, who won six National and three World Ultimate titles with local legendary men's team "Death or Glory" (aka: "DoG"), led the way with two big defensive blocks, plus several goals caught and thrown. Cristal Chan, Paul Batten, and Jess Blanton provided big contributions on offense. Nancy Sun and Ben Faust connected on crowd-pleasing cross-gender hucks (long throws). Ben also provided the highlight of the night, when his backhand pull (like a kickoff in football) traveled over the stands, over the press box, and then curved back gracefully to land just inside the Boston end zone to loud applause from the fans.

Boston kept it close behind the strong play of its women. Tracy Woo, Rana Suh, and Emily Walton kept the offense moving, catching and throwing many goals. Ariel Santos and Seth Mann provided a number of highlights including a full-field toss from Ariel to Rana to tie the score at 7. A late block by Jeff Listfield of a Parinella forehand gave Boston a chance to tie, but an unforced error in transition returned the disc to Cambridge.

The high school age fans seemed stuck on one word, "Amazing." They were very excited to see their first high-level game of Mixed Ultimate. They were inspired and heard to say, "How do I learn to throw my forehand list that?", "That was lots of fun.", and "Those hucks are incredible!"

Keeping with ultimate frisbee's core concept of "Spirit of the Game", the behavior of the players was very professional and sportsmanlike, setting a positive example for the young fans.

Detailed information is at TheUltimateShowcase.com.

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