

Wallace, Greene power UTT over



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Samantha Wallace's power in attack for the University of T&T (UTT) and the sturdiness of her teammate Shaquanda Greene on defence, proved too much for the University of the West Indies (UWI) in the final round of matches in the Tertiary Sport Association of T&T (TSATT) Inter-University Netball competition.

UTT emerged with a 23-9 victory to close out action in the league on Tuesday at University of West Indies Sport and Physical Education Centre (UWISPEC) in St Augustine.

Both teams had won all their previous matches and it was only fitting that the title was decided at the meeting of these power-houses.

UWI coached by former national player Sherry-Ann Blackburn came out determined to dethrone UTT, which was the winner of the coveted title held in 2015.

The UTT netballers, however under the guidance of coach Bridget Adams, a former national player and coach, were passionate about retaining their title and bringing more glory to their institution.



National senior netballer Samantha Wallace of the University of T&T (UTT), fifth from left, with her teammates as they display their trophy alongside officials after winning the Tertiary Sport Association of T&T (TSATT) Inter-University Netball competition at the University of West Indies Sport and Physical Education Centre (UWISPEC) in St Augustine.

Both teams boasted experienced senior national players as well as young nationals. UTT, which was captained by senior national netballer Shaquanda Green, while UWI had the experienced Malika Peters, also a senior national player. UTT's roster also included senior national goal-shooter Wallace and national Under-21 player Shantel Seemungal.

UTT jumped out from the blast of the umpires first whistle taking an early 3-0 lead; a lead it never relinquished. Wallace dazzled in the shooting circle while defender Greene was impenetrable on the other end.

Peters worked tirelessly in defence and made quite a few interceptions but UWI's shooters were

having a very bad night and were not converting their chances.

At the end of each quarter UTT was in front and at the final whistle UTT prevailed with the 14-goal victory.

Walking away with the third place prize was the University of the Southern Caribbean (USC) with the College of Science Technology and Applied Arts of T&T (COSTAATT) placing fourth.

Dr Kenneth Butcher, member of the technical committee of the T&T Netball Association (TTNA) as well as Dr Karen Ince, Senior Lecturer at The Academy of Sport at UTT helped with the distribution of prizes.

Dr Butcher was praised for his foresight into the creation of TSATT which now continues to promote Tertiary Sports at all Tertiary Institutions in T&T.

TSATT has promised to work hand-in-hand with TTNA and the Secondary Schools Netball Association in an effort to build the sport back to the glory days it once experienced.

TSATT is also working assiduously to having a National University netball team represent T&T at The World University Netball Championships to be held in Uganda, September.