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### About the event

**Event Name:** FIH Hockey Pro League

**When:** 9 December 2025 – 28 June 2026

**Where:** Argentina, Australia, Belgium, China, England, Germany, India, Ireland, Netherlands, Spain

### Teams

- Teams – Women: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, China, England, Germany, Ireland, Netherlands, Spain
- Men: Argentina, Australia, Belgium, England, Germany, India, Netherlands, Pakistan, Spain

### Broadcast and live streaming

The list of broadcasters for each territory will be published on the [FIH Hockey Pro League website](#) as soon as it becomes available.



With a series of “must-watch” FIH events getting closer, including the start of the [FIH Hockey Pro League](#)’s new season and both [FIH Hockey Junior World Cups](#), women and men, the International Hockey Federation (FIH) is delighted to announce that it has crafted a wide range of options for hockey fans around the world to watch the matches on its streaming platform [Watch.Hockey](#), powered by Deltatre.

The **[FIH Season 2025-26 Pass](#)** includes FIH Hockey Pro League 2025-26, FIH Hockey Men’s Junior World Cup Tamil Nadu 2025, FIH Hockey Women’s Junior World Cup

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City of Santiago 2025, the Qualifiers for the 2026 FIH Hockey World Cup and much more. For further information, please [click here](#).

**Official website:** <https://www.fihproleague.com>

The official event website provides everything that you need to know about the event, including news updates, fixtures, results, standings, live match reporting and broadcast information, with data filters covering Season, Gender, Teams and Venues, allowing you to dig a little deeper.

### FIH.Family & Hockey Data Hub

The [Hockey Data Hub](#) features a huge and unique range of data for over 15,000+ players and 7,000+ matches (played since 2013). Accessing the Hockey Data Hub is very easy: simply open a free "FIH.Family" account on [www.FIH.hockey](http://www.FIH.hockey).

### Social Media

The FIH will provide comprehensive coverage of the event via our social media channels, including [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#), [TikTok](#) and [YouTube](#).

**Hashtag:** #FIHProLeague

## | FIH Hockey Pro League team contacts & media accreditation requests

### Team Contacts

You can find an email contact for each team competing in the FIH Hockey Pro League below.

<b>Argentina (M&amp;W)</b>	Alexia Halvorsen - <a href="mailto:prensa.cah@cahockey.org.ar">prensa.cah@cahockey.org.ar</a>
<b>Australia (M&amp;W)</b>	Luke Lawson - <a href="mailto:luke.lawson@hockey.org.au">luke.lawson@hockey.org.au</a>
<b>Belgium (M&amp;W)</b>	Denis van Damme - <a href="mailto:denis.vandamme@Hockey.be">denis.vandamme@Hockey.be</a>
<b>China (W)</b>	Liu Zhipeng - <a href="mailto:chinahockey@163.com">chinahockey@163.com</a>
<b>Germany (M&amp;W)</b>	Klaus Bellstedt - <a href="mailto:presse@deutscher-hockey-bund.de">presse@deutscher-hockey-bund.de</a>
<b>England (M&amp;W)</b>	Gemma Field - <a href="mailto:media@englandhockey.co.uk">media@englandhockey.co.uk</a>
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<b>Netherlands (M&amp;W)</b>	Agnes de Kuijper - <a href="mailto:agnes.de.kuijper@knhb.nl">agnes.de.kuijper@knhb.nl</a>
<b>Spain (M&amp;W)</b>	Isidro López - <a href="mailto:prensa@rfeh.es">prensa@rfeh.es</a>

### Media Accreditation requests

Media accreditation applications for the FIH Hockey Pro League are handled by the host nation of the various stages taking place across the world. If you are interested in attending a match, please use the below contact information.

Please be aware that only bona fide members of the media will be granted accreditation to FIH Hockey Pro League matches, and that all members of the media are required to sign a Terms and Conditions form to secure a matchday accreditation.

### Venues, Participating Teams & Contacts

- **Ireland (9-14 December 2025 - Dublin)**
  - Teams: Ireland, Belgium, England (women) & Belgium, England, Germany (men)

- Accreditation contact: Nick McElwee - [nick.mcelwee@hockey.ie](mailto:nick.mcelwee@hockey.ie)
- **Argentina (9-14 December 2025 – Santiago del Estero)**
  - Teams: Argentina, Germany, Netherlands (women) & Argentina, Netherlands, Pakistan (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Alexia Halvorsen - [prensa.cah@cahockey.org.ar](mailto:prensa.cah@cahockey.org.ar)
- **China (5-10 February 2026 – Guangzhou)**
  - China, England, Netherlands (women)
  - Accreditation contact: Liu Zhipeng - [chinahockey@163.com](mailto:chinahockey@163.com)
- **Spain (5-10 February 2026 – Valencia)**
  - Teams: Spain, Belgium, Germany (women) & Spain, England, Netherlands (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Isidro López – [prensa@rfeh.es](mailto:prensa@rfeh.es)
- **Australia (10-15 February 2026 – Hobart, Tasmania)**
  - Teams: Australia, Argentina, Ireland (women) & Australia, Germany, Pakistan (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Luke Lawson - [luke.lawson@hockey.org.au](mailto:luke.lawson@hockey.org.au)
- **India (10-15 February 2026 – Rourkela, Odisha)**
  - Teams: India, Argentina, Belgium (men)
  - Accreditation contact: [media@hockeyindia.org](mailto:media@hockeyindia.org)
- **Australia (20-25 February 2026 – Hobart, Tasmania)**
  - Teams: Australia, China, Spain (women) & Australia, India, Spain (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Luke Lawson - [luke.lawson@hockey.org.au](mailto:luke.lawson@hockey.org.au)
- **England (13-21 June 2026 – London)**
  - Teams: England, Australia, Germany (women) & England, Argentina, Australia (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Gemma Field - [media@englandhockey.co.uk](mailto:media@englandhockey.co.uk)
- **Netherlands (13-21 June 2026 - Rotterdam)**
  - Teams: Netherlands, Ireland, Spain (women) & Netherlands, Germany, India (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Agnes de Kuijper – [agnes.de.kuijper@knhb.nl](mailto:agnes.de.kuijper@knhb.nl)
- **Belgium (13-21 June 2026, Wavre)**
  - Teams: Belgium, Argentina, China (women) & Belgium, Pakistan, Spain (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Denis van Damme - [denis.vandamme@Hockey.be](mailto:denis.vandamme@Hockey.be)
- **Belgium (23-28 June 2026 – Wavre)**
  - Teams: Belgium, Australia, Netherlands (women) & Belgium, Australia, Netherlands (men)

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- Accreditation contact: Denis van Damme - [denis.vandamme@Hockey.be](mailto:denis.vandamme@Hockey.be)
- **Germany (23-28 June 2026 – Berlin)**
  - Teams: Germany, China, Ireland (women) & Germany, Argentina, Spain (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Klaus Bellstedt - [presse@deutscher-hockey-bund.de](mailto:presse@deutscher-hockey-bund.de)
- **England (23-28 June 2026 – London)**
  - Teams: England, Argentina, Spain (women) & England, India, Pakistan (men)
  - Accreditation contact: Gemma Field - [media@englandhockey.co.uk](mailto:media@englandhockey.co.uk)

### FIH Media Contact

All queries relating to competition or FIH matters should be directed to [media@fih.ch](mailto:media@fih.ch)



## | A message of welcome from Tayyab Ikram, President of the International Hockey Federation (FIH)

Dear Friends,

It is with great pride and anticipation that I welcome you to a new and truly exceptional season of the FIH Hockey Pro League. Every edition of the League carries its own spirit, but this year, in many ways, stands out as a season of firsts—an exciting new chapter for our sport, our global community, and above all, our athletes.

This season marks an important moment for our sport. For the first time, the FIH Hockey Pro League will directly qualify the men's and women's champions for the LA28 Olympic Games. This adds even more excitement and meaning to every match, as teams know that strong performances could take them all the way to the world's biggest sporting stage.



At the heart of this competition are our athletes—the true ambassadors of hockey and the ones who bring the game to life. Their passion, resilience, and commitment inspire millions across the world. They represent the very best of our values: respect, excellence, and unity. More than ever before, this Pro League season is designed to spotlight their talent. Together with our host National Associations, we remain fully committed to offering them the best possible stage—world-class venues, optimal conditions, and an environment that allows them to perform at their peak across all thirteen stages of the season. I wish every athlete a memorable and fulfilling journey throughout this Pro League edition.

This season is also enriched by significant developments across our participating nations. Pakistan's men's team joins the Pro League for the first time. Their return to top-level international competition brings fresh energy and great pride to our community. With a legacy that includes three Olympic gold medals and four World Cup titles, Pakistan's presence adds real depth and history to the League.

Ireland will host Pro League matches on home soil for the first time, and the global hockey family looks forward to experiencing the renowned warmth and hospitality of our Irish friends. With matches being played across ten nations this season, the event continues to strengthen hockey's global reach and its connection to fans everywhere.

As always, I would like to express my deepest gratitude—both personally and on behalf of the entire hockey family—to the participating National Associations, the dedicated teams, the host cities and their authorities, our valued commercial and broadcast partners, our exceptional volunteers, including our officials and umpires,



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and of course, our passionate fans. Their collective contribution is what makes the Pro League possible year after year.

Let us come together to celebrate the athletes who elevate our game and make the "League of the Best" a shining symbol of hockey's excellence.

Yours in Hockey,

**Tayyab Ikram**  
**FIH President**



## | About the FIH Hockey Pro League



Known as *'The League of the Best'*, the FIH Hockey Pro League brings together the world's top men's and women's national teams in a prestigious, year-round competition that showcases the very best of international hockey.

Each season, the team finishing with the highest points claims the coveted FIH Hockey Pro League Trophy – a symbol of sustained excellence at the highest level of the sport.

Both the men's and women's competitions follow the same format, offering fans a seamless, world-class viewing experience through the [Watch.Hockey](#) app and global broadcast partners.

The FIH Hockey Pro League captures the essence of international competition, giving fans the chance to see their national teams compete on home soil – deepening connection, pride and excitement for the sport.

For more information about the purpose of the FIH Hockey Pro League, please visit our Frequently Asked Questions page by [clicking here](#).

The 2025-26 edition will begin on 9 December 2025, with the opening stages hosted in Ireland and Argentina, marking the start of another thrilling journey across multiple continents. The FIH Hockey Pro League continues to feature nine of the best hockey nations in the men's and women's competitions, with 13 stages across ten countries providing fans all around the world access to live action-packed encounters.

## Olympic Pathway: Higher stakes than ever

The 2025/26 season carries extra significance – it's not only about the title. For the first time, the men's and women's champions will secure direct qualification for the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games. Every match, every point, every goal will carry immense weight as teams battle not only for Pro League glory, but for a place at the greatest sporting spectacle on earth.

As FIH President Tayyab Ikram put it:

"As we count down to the start of the FIH Hockey Pro League 2025/26, a true showcase of world-class athletes, excitement is building across the global hockey community.

"This time the stakes will be higher than ever, with the Pro League becoming a direct pathway to the LA28 Olympics, as both champions secure qualification.

"With one month to go, we look forward to celebrating the athletes, teams and fans who make *'The League of the Best'* a global symbol of hockey excellence."

## Stage set for Season 7

With the Netherlands aiming to defend both the men's and women's titles, challengers are lining up to take their place at the top.

The women's competition features Argentina, Australia, Belgium, China, England, Germany, Ireland and Spain, while the men's line-up includes Argentina, Australia, Belgium, England, Germany, India, Pakistan and Spain.

Expect breathtaking skills, fierce rivalries and an atmosphere charged with Olympic ambition as *'The League of the Best'* returns for another unforgettable season.

The FIH Hockey Pro League 2025-26 match schedule, including the match timings, is available [here](#).

## | Competition Format

The following information has been taken from the 'FIH Hockey Pro League Competition Regulations' document, created for the 2025-26 Season. More information about all FIH competition regulations can be found at the following link:

<https://www.fih.hockey/about-fih/official-documents/sport-event-resources>

### Announcement of Match Squads and Starting Line Ups

- a) No later than 1 week before the start of a stage that a team is involved in, Team managers must submit to FIH the names of up to 24 Players that will form that team's squad for the duration of this Stage.
- b) No later than 1 hour before the start of a match, Team Managers must submit to FIH via TMS
  - The names of up to 18 Players that will form their team's squad for the Match of whom 2 must be goalkeepers wearing full protective equipment,
  - The names of the 11 Players that will start the match, and
  - the names of the Team Manager, Team Coach, Physiotherapist and Team Doctor for the match plus one other member of the team management who will be present on the team bench.
- c) A nominated Player who becomes incapacitated between the announcement of the 24 Players for a stage, and up to one hour before the start of the first match for that team in the stage, may be replaced in the 24 by another Player whose name appears on the team's Long List, provided that a team may not nominate any Player who is suspended from playing in the League. For clarity, no replacement players will be allowed during a stage from 1 hour before the start of the first match for each team of the stage.
- d) A nominated starting line-up Player who becomes incapacitated between the announcement of the starting line-up and the start of a match may be replaced in the starting line up by another Player from within the match day squad of 18. The Team Manager must notify the Match Manager on duty accordingly, who will inform the Team Manager of the opposing team and the media of such a change. For clarity, no replacement from outside the match day squad of 18, is permitted after the match day squad is submitted into TMS 1 hour before the start of the match.

### Competition Plan and Ranking in the League

- a) Each League Season encompasses a single league phase with each nation playing against the other nations 2 (two) times. Matches are played in stages, in a single country, including either the host nation against "away" nations or between the "away" nations playing against each other.

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- b) In the event of a Match being drawn, a shoot-out competition will be played in accordance with Appendix 2. The winner of the shoot-out competition will be awarded one bonus point.
- c) The following points will be awarded for each Match:
  - i three (3) points to the winner in normal time;
  - ii one (1) point to the winner of a shootout following a draw plus one (1) bonus point, making a total of two (2) points.
  - iii one (1) point to the loser of the shootout, in the event of a draw;
  - iv no points to the loser of a match in normal time.
- d) During the Season, teams will be ranked by the points gained up to that point in time. In the case of two or more teams having an equal number of points, they will be ranked according to Regulations 4.2 e – k below.
- e) If at any point of time during the Season two or more teams with the same number of points for any place in the League will be ranked according to their respective number of Matches won.
- f) If there remains equality among two or more teams, then these teams will be ranked according to their respective goal difference in normal time (which means goals for less goals against). A positive goal difference always takes precedence over a negative one.
- g) If there still remains equality among two or more teams, then these teams will be ranked according to their respective number of goals for.
- h) Should there still remain equality among two teams, then the aggregate results of the matches played between those teams will determine the ranking of the tied teams in accordance with regulations c, d, e, f and g of this Article.
- i) If more than two teams are involved, then a ranking based upon the results of the matches among (only) them shall determine their respective position in accordance with regulations c, d, e, f and g of this article.
- j) If there still remains equality among two or more teams, then these teams will be ranked according to the number of Field Goals scored in the League.
- k) If there remains equality among two or more teams these teams will be ranked according to the lesser number of red cards, followed by the lesser number of yellow cards followed by the lesser number of green cards.
- l) During the Season, if teams are still equal after regulation 4.2k, they will be displayed in alphabetical order.



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- m) At the end of the Season, if teams are still equal after regulation 4.2k, they will be ranked equally.
- n) If all matches are not completed during the season for reasons of Force majeure (for example due to the COVID pandemic), the procedure set out in Regulation 8.1 j will apply. For the season to be considered complete and the final ranking table to be official, and League positions including the winners to be confirmed, at least 75% of the matches (54 matches) in a gender Pro League must have been completed. If less than 75% of the matches have been completed, then the season will be considered to be incomplete and no winner or relegated team will be announced. Individual match statistics will be maintained and recorded on TMS.

## | Rules and Competition Regulations

### Players

A matchday squad is made up of a maximum of 18 players, composed of 11 players on the field and up to seven substitutes.

### Substitutions

There are no limits on the number of substitutions, apart from during a penalty corner or video referral when substitutions are not allowed.

### Match periods

Matches consist of four periods of 15 minutes.

### Green and yellow cards

If a player is shown a green card by the umpire, he or she has a temporary suspension lasting two minutes. This means the team plays with one fewer player during this period. The time penalty kicks in when the suspended player sits on a chair next to the technical table. After the two minutes are up, the player can return to the pitch. If a player is shown a yellow card, the suspension shall be a minimum of five minutes. The Technical Officer on duty is responsible for timing the temporary suspension. Once the suspension is over, the player (or a substitute) can return to the pitch unless this occurs during the taking of a penalty corner, in which case the player cannot return until the penalty corner has been completed or another penalty corner is awarded.

### Penalty corner countdown clock

When a penalty corner is awarded, time is stopped for 40 seconds, except in the case of re-awards or penalty corners awarded after a Video Umpire referral. In the case of a re-awarded penalty corner time will be immediately stopped but the teams will not be allowed an additional 40 seconds. The umpire will re-start play at the earliest possible opportunity, ensuring that any delay is kept to a minimum. Matches are also stopped for 40 seconds after a goal is scored, except in the case of goals awarded after a Video Umpire Referral and a Penalty Stroke.

### Video umpire

Each team is allowed one video umpire team referral during the regulation time. Team referrals are restricted to decisions within the 23 metre areas relating to the

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award (or non-award) of goals, penalty strokes and penalty corners. The on-pitch umpires will ask the video umpire to study the relevant images and for his or her advice and recommendation. If the referral is successful, the team retains the right to make another team referral. If the referral is unsuccessful, the team loses the right to use the video umpire for the rest of the game. The umpires may also consult the video umpire, using their own umpire referral, if they have doubts about whether or not to award a goal.

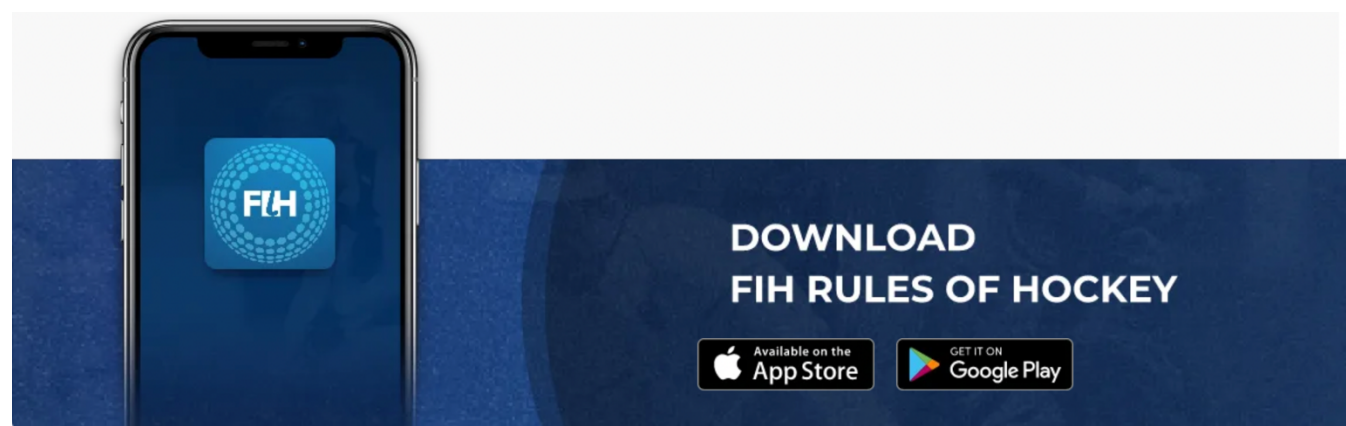
If a match ends in a draw a shoot-out competition will take place to determine the winner. In the shoot-out competition each team has the right to one team referral for the award (or non-award) of goals, penalty strokes and whether a shoot-out should be re-taken or not. Referrals remaining at the end of regulation time are not carried over into the shoot-out competition. The umpires may still also consult the video umpire, using their own referral, if they have doubts about whether or not to award a goal.

### Shoot-outs

A shoot-out competition will be used if the scores are equal at full time. Each team picks five players who will each take one shoot-out. If the teams are tied after a series of shoot-outs, the winner will be decided by sudden death, ie when one team has scored one more goal than the opposing team after an equal number of shoot-outs have been taken. The process will be repeated in series of five shoot-outs for each team until a winner has been decided.

Complete information about the FIH Rules of Hockey can be found below.

FIH Rules of Hockey (Updated January 2022): [Click here](#).





## | TEAMS – WOMEN

Background information about the competing women's FIH Hockey Pro League teams, including notable achievements, key players and more can be found below.

Please note: not all squads had been finalised at the time of publication. For the latest information about each team, please [click here](#).

### Argentina

**Nickname:** Las Leonas

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 4<sup>th</sup>. 2020-21: 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2021-22: 1<sup>st</sup>. 2022-23: 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2023-24: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024-25: 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Notable honours:** 2x World Cup winners (2002, 2010), 4x World Cup silver medallists (1974, 1976, 1994, 2022), 3x World Cup bronze medallists (1978, 2006, 2014), 3x Olympic silver medallists (2000, 2012, 2021), 3x Olympic bronze medallists (2004, 2008, 2024), Hockey World League champions (2015), 7x Champions Trophy winners (2001, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2014, 2016), 8x Pan-American Games gold medallists (1987, 1991, 1995, 1999, 2003, 2007, 2019, 2023), 7x Pan-American Cup winners (2001, 2004, 2009, 2013, 2017, 2022, 2025), FIH Hockey Pro League winners (2021-22)

**About the team:** The undisputed giants of Pan American hockey enter the 2025-26 FIH Hockey Pro League season in confident mood. Their second-place finish in the 2024-25 edition – which sealed their ticket to the 2026 FIH World Cup – included notable victories against both the Netherlands and China, the respective Olympic gold and silver medallists from Paris 2024. The team backed up their impressive Pro League campaign with a 15<sup>th</sup> continental title, storming to the Pan American Cup in Montevideo, Uruguay with five wins out of five, scoring 28 goals and conceding none. A 3-0 win in the gold medal match against USA came courtesy of goals from seasoned campaigners Agustina Gorzelany, Eugenia Trinchinetti and Julieta Jankunas, with Valentina Raposo, goalkeeper Christina Cosentino, co- captains Maria Granatto and Agustina Alonso, and teenage star Zoe Diaz – who suffered a fractured hand ahead of the final – all impressive performers throughout.

**One to watch:** Agustina Gorzelany. One of the most potent penalty corner drag-flickers in world hockey, Gorzelany scored 15 goals in the 2024-25 Pro League before finishing top scorer at the Pan American Cup, netting ten in five matches.

**Head Coach:** Fernando Ferrara. A former Argentina men's international who competed at the Seoul 1988, Barcelona 1992 and Atlanta 1996 Olympic Games. Ferrara is rapidly approaching 100 games in charge of Las Leonas, having taken the reins in July 2021.

**In action:** Argentina's host Stage will take place in Santiago del Estero between 10-14 December 2025. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Australia (Tasmania – 11-14 February 2026), Belgium (Wavre – 13-21 June 2026), and England (London – 23-28 June 2026).

**Website:** [www.cahockey.org.ar](http://www.cahockey.org.ar)

**X:** @ArgFieldHockey **Facebook:** ArgFieldHockey **Instagram:** arg\_fieldhockey

**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## Australia

**Nickname:** The Hockeyroos

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2020-21: 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021-22: DNP. 2022-23: 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2023-24: 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 5<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** 3x Olympic gold medallists (1988, 1996, 2000), 2x World Cup winners (1994, 1998), 3x World Cup silver medallists (1990, 2006, 2014), 2x World Cup bronze medallists (1983, 2022), FIH Hockey Pro League silver medallists (2019), 6x FIH Champions Trophy gold medallists (1991, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2003), 8x Oceania champions (1999, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2023), 4x Commonwealth Games gold medallists (1998, 2006, 2010, 2014)

**About the team:** After enduring a difficult 12 months by their own high standards, Australia's participation in the 2025-26 FIH Hockey Pro League season represents something of a fresh start. The team suffered nine defeats in sixteen matches in last season's Pro League, including heavy losses against the Netherlands (8-1 / 5-1) and Germany (4-0). However, it was not all bad news. They claimed fine wins over Spain (4-1 / 3-1), India (3-2 / 2-1) and England (3-0) before ending their campaign on a high with a revenge win over Germany (3-4) in Berlin.

In September, Australia hosted the Oceania Cup in Darwin, where a World Cup ticket went to the winner of a three-match series against rivals New Zealand. It ended in heartbreak, with the Black Sticks taking the decider in a shoot-out to push Australia into the 2026 World Cup Qualifiers. It marked the end of Katrina Powell's tenure as head coach, with the legendary Hockeyroos striker and double Olympic gold medallist making the decision to step down after four and a half instrumental years rebuilding both the team and the culture of the Hockeyroos.

Despite recent challenges, the squad still boasts a blend of experience and exciting young talent. Key players such as outstanding shot-stopper Jocelyn Bartram, defender Kaitlin Nobbs, attacker Grace Stewart, and midfielders Steph Kershaw and Claire Colwill – the former named Hockeyroo of the Year 2024, the latter an FIH Rising Star Award nominee in 2024 – will be central to their hopes.

**One to watch:** Grace Stewart. The 2024 Hockeyroos Players' Player of the Year and triple Olympian is highly regarded and will co-captain alongside Kaitlin Nobbs.

**Head Coach:** Rhett Halkett. The former South African international steps up from assistant coach following Powell's resignation, having previously served as assistant to the Netherlands women (2021) and India men (2022-24).

**In action:** Australia's host Stage will take place in Hobart, Tasmania between 11-25 February 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in England (London – 17-21 June 2026) and Belgium (Wavre - 23-27 June 2026).

**Hockey Australia website:** [www.hockey.org.au](http://www.hockey.org.au)

**X:** [@hockeyroos](#) **Facebook:** [thehockeyroos](#) **Instagram:** [@hockeyaustraliaofficial](#)

**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## Belgium

**Nickname:** Red Panthers

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 5<sup>th</sup>. 2020-21: 7<sup>th</sup>. 2021-22: 4<sup>th</sup>. 2022-23: 4<sup>th</sup>. 2023-24 – 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25 – 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Notable honours:** 4<sup>th</sup> place – Olympic Games Paris 2024, 2x EuroHockey Championships silver medallists (2017, 2023), EuroHockey Championships bronze medallists (2021), Hockey World Cup bronze medallists (1978), 4<sup>th</sup> Place – EuroHockey Championships (2013, 2025), 1<sup>st</sup> Place – FIH Hockey Olympic Qualifiers (2024), 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – FIH Hockey Pro League (2024-25)

**About the team:** Since finishing seventh in the covid-disrupted 2020-21 FIH Hockey Pro League season, the Red Panthers have been consistently excellent performers in this competition. After three consecutive fourth place finishes, their bronze medal in 2024-25 has raised both the bar and expectations surrounding this hugely talented team ahead of next year's FIH World Cup, an event they are co-hosting alongside the Netherlands.

Last season, Belgium claimed nine wins from 16 Pro League matches, which included remarkable away triumphs against China and Argentina – the respective Olympic silver and bronze medallists from Paris 2024 – as well as a 2-2 draw against the all-conquering Netherlands. Stephanie Vanden Borre netted nine times to finish as Belgium's top scorer, with five each coming from the ever-dangerous Charlotte Englebert and Ambre Ballenghien.

The team endured agony at August's EuroHockey Championship 2025 in Monchengladbach, Germany, losing the bronze medal to Spain in a shoot-out after the match finished 0-0. It was their second shoot-out loss in a matter of days, with Germany having inflicted the same pain by edging the one-on-ones in the semi-finals. Despite that hurt, there was deserved recognition for midfielder Camille Belis, named Young Player of the Tournament thanks to a string of superb performances.

**One to watch:** Alix Gerniers. Named on the three-person shortlist for women's FIH Player of the Year 2025, 32-year-old Gerniers has been in exceptional form over the past 12 months. At the time of writing, the influential midfielder sat four games shy of 300 international appearances, a milestone she could potentially reach on 13 December when the Red Panthers face hosts Ireland in Dublin.

**Head Coach:** Rein van Eijk. The highly regarded Dutch tactician – a former head coach of Germany's U-21 men's team – took charge of the Red Panthers at the start of 2025 after previous incumbent Raoul Ehren joined the Netherlands women. Van Eijk has continued where his compatriot left off, further enhancing the team's reputation.

**In action:** Belgium's host Stage will take place in Wavre between 14-28 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Ireland (Dublin – 9-13 December 2025) and Spain (Valencia – 5-9 February 2026).

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**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## China

**Nickname:** The Snow Lotus

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020-21: 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021-22: 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022-23: 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023-24: 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 4<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** 2x Olympic silver medallists (2008, 2024), World Cup bronze medallists (2002), Champions Trophy gold medallists (2002), 2x Champions Trophy silver medallists (2003, 2006), Champions Trophy bronze medallists (2005), 4x Asian Games gold medallists (2002, 2006, 2010, 2022), 3x Asia Cup gold medallists (1989, 2009, 2025), 2x Asia Cup silver medallists (1993, 2017), 3x Asia Cup bronze medallists (1999, 2004, 2007).

**About the team:** Any concerns that China may experience a low after the magnificent high of winning silver at the Paris 2024 Olympic Games were eradicated in 2025, with the Asian giants proved that their place at hockey's top table is warranted. A fourth-place finish in the 2024-25 FIH Hockey Pro League is China's best result to date in the competition, taking 28 points from 16 matches. The team were outright winners on eight occasions, with England (2-0 / 4-0), Spain (3-2), Australia (3-1), Argentina (2-1), Germany (3-2) and India (3-0 / 3-2) all losing at least once to Alyson Annan's talented outfit. Tan Jinzhuang (6) and Zhang Ying (5) were both in fine goal-scoring form, netting 11 of China's 34 goals in the competition.

China's solid Pro League campaign was perfect preparation for September's Women's Asia Cup campaign, which took place on home soil in Hangzhou. Zou Meirong netted 11 times in seven games to help the hosts seal a first Asia Cup title in 16 years, comfortably defeating India 4-1 in the competition final. In addition to Zou taking the top scorer award, 17-year-old Luo Yaxi was named best young player at the event.

**One to watch:** Li Hong. Nominated for the 2025 FIH Player of the Year Award (compatriot Liu Ping was shortlisted for the Best Goalkeeper prize), the 26-year-old is a potent attacking midfielder capable of creating and scoring goals. Li plays her club hockey for Amsterdam in the Dutch Hoofdklasse, having signed in September 2025.

**Head Coach:** Alyson Annan. By guiding China to Olympic silver at Paris 2024 and Asia Cup glory in 2025, the Hockeyroos legend and two-time FIH Player of the Year restored the team's reputation as a true powerhouse of the sport. With Annan – who also led the Netherlands to the World Cup (2018) and Olympic (2021) titles – at the helm, the sky is the limit. Recently named FIH Women's Coach of the Year for the sixth time (2017, 2018, 2019, 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25).

**In action:** China's host Stage will take place in Yunfu, Guangdong Province between 5-10 February 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Australia (Hobart, Tasmania – 21-25 February 2026), Belgium (Wavre – 13-21 June 2026) and Germany (Berlin – 24-28 June 2026).

**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).



## England

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2021-22: 7<sup>th</sup> 2024-25: 8<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** World Cup bronze medallists (2010), European champions (1991, 2015), Hockey World League bronze medallists (2012-13), Champions Trophy bronze medallists (2010), Commonwealth Games gold medallists (2022), Commonwealth Games silver medallists (1998, 2002, 2014).

**About the team:** After narrowly avoiding relegation in 2024-25, England will be determined to remind everyone of their quality in the upcoming edition of the FIH Hockey Pro League. Having claimed just three wins from their previous 14 matches, England arrived in Berlin, Germany for their final two matches desperately needing points against the hosts to avoid the drop. The team coached by David Ralph rose to the challenge, producing an outstanding defensive display – including a late penalty stroke save from Sabbie Heesh – to beat the home favourites 1-0 thanks to an early penalty corner strike from Elizabeth Neal.

The team returned to Germany in August for the EuroHockey Championships, winning three of their five matches on their way to a fifth-place finish in Mönchengladbach. While Early losses against Belgium (2-0) and Spain (2-1) ended England's medal hopes, wins against Scotland (3-0), France (5-1) and Pro League rivals Ireland (2-1) are signs of a positive future. Ellie Rayer, Tess Howard, Grace Balsdon and Lily Owsley – who won Olympic gold with Great Britain at Rio 2016 – each scored twice at the Euros and are likely to be key players in the coming Pro League season.

**One to watch:** Sophie Hamilton. Named Women's Senior Performance Player of the Year at the England hockey Awards 2025, 24-year-old Sophie Hamilton is a world class midfielder who looks set to be a central figure for both England and Great Britain for many years to come.

**Head Coach:** David Ralph. The vastly experienced former Scotland international has been England and Great Britain's head coach since 2021, having previously held numerous coaching roles within the GB set-up.

**In action:** England's host Stage will take place in London between 13-28 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Ireland (Dublin – 9-14 December 2025) and China (Yunfu – 6-10 February 2026).

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## Germany

**Nickname:** Die Danas

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2020-21: 4<sup>th</sup>. 2021-22: 6<sup>th</sup>. 2022-23: 5<sup>th</sup>. 2023-24: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024-25: 7<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** Olympic gold medallists (2004), 2x Olympic silver medallists (1984\*, 1992), Olympic bronze medallists (2016), 2x World champions (1976\*, 1981\*), 2x European champions (2007, 2013), FIH Hockey Pro League silver medallists (2023-24), 8x European silver medallists (1991, 1999, 2005, 2009, 2011, 2019, 2021, 2025), Champions Trophy gold medallists (2006)

\*As West Germany

**About the team:** Following a superb silver-medal winning performances at August's EuroHockey Championship on home soil in Mönchengladbach, Germany enter the 2025-26 FIH Hockey Pro League season with a spring in their step. Despite suffering a 5-1 loss against the Netherlands in the pool phase, Die Danas battled their way through to the final for a pulsating rematch against the mighty Dutch. Finding themselves 2-0 down at half time, team captain and ace midfielder Lisa Nolte's goal shortly after the break set up a tense finish. However, it proved only a consolation as the Oranje took a 2-1 victory, leaving Germany with European silver for an eighth time.

Curiously, Germany's dazzling showing at the Euros came on the back of their worst Pro League campaign to date, finishing seventh with just four wins in 16 matches. Three of those victories arrived in their final six matches, claiming all three points against Australia (4-0), China (2-1) and England (4-2) to avoid the drop.

Lisa Nolte and attacking talent Sophia Schwabe both scored five goals in the 2024-25 edition, with teenage striker Johanna Hachenberg, Sara Strauss (four each) and Stine Kurz (three) also making significant contributions. Lena Micheel (133 caps) is the most experienced member of Germany's current Pro League roster, with defenders Hanna Granitzki (126) and Sonja Zimmermann (120) also cap centurions.

**One to watch:** Lena Micheel. Blessed with pace and skill, Micheel is a high-quality attacking midfielder with the ability to break through the defensive lines. At the time of writing, the 27-year-old from Hamburg has scored 23 goals in 133 matches. Micheel has four European Championship medals, winning three silvers (2019, 2021, 2025) and one bronze (2023).

**Head Coach:** Janneke Schopman. Following head coach roles with the women's national teams of USA (2017-19) and India (2021-24), Schopman – an Olympic gold medallist with the Netherlands women at Beijing 2008 – guided Die Danas through last season's Pro League and August's excellent European campaign.

**In action:** Germany's host Stage will take place in Berlin between 23-28 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Argentina (Santiago del Estero – 9-13 December 2025), Spain (Valencia – 6-10 February 2026) and England (London – 13-18 June 2026).

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## Ireland

**Nickname:** The Green Army

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** Debut season

**How they qualified:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – FIH Hockey Nations Cup 2025

**Notable honours:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – FIH Women's World Cup (2018), 11<sup>th</sup> Place – Hockey World Cup (1994, 2022), 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – FIH Nations Cup (2023-24, 2024-25), 5<sup>th</sup> Place – EuroHockey Nations Championship (2019, 2023)

**About the team:** Ireland's Green Army are all set for their first FIH Hockey Pro League campaign, a welcome and richly deserved return to the sport's top tier. Their promotion followed an excellent showing at the FIH Hockey Nations Cup 2025 in Santiago, Chile, where they defeated Scotland (3–0), New Zealand (1–0), Korea (2–0) and USA (2–1) to reach the final and a second meeting with the Black Sticks. Although they suffered a heartbreaking shoot-out loss in the title match, New Zealand later declined their Pro League invitation, opening the door for Ireland.

While this squad is renowned for being greater than the sum of its parts, there is real individual quality throughout the group. Ayeisha McFerran (134 caps) – named Goalkeeper of the Tournament at the London 2018 Women's World Cup, where Ireland claimed a sensational silver medal despite entering as the second-lowest-ranked team – remains one of the world's outstanding shot-stoppers. Captain Katie Mullan (246), Elena Tice (158) and Roisin Upton (136) have all passed the 100-cap milestone, providing vast experience and leadership. Talented attacker Mikayla Power, named Best Young Player at the 2025 Nations Cup thanks to a series of eye-catching performances, is another player capable of producing big moments.

After a disappointing eighth-place finish at the EuroHockey Championships 2025 in Germany, Ireland will be eager for a strong start when their Pro League season begins on home soil in Dublin this December.

**One to watch:** Katie Mullan. A battling attacker who regularly putd her body on the line, 31-year-old Mullan is an inspirational force for this Ireland team. Hugely respected, she is always a key player for the Green Army.

**Head Coach:** Gareth Grundie. Between 2018 and 2021, Grundie was the Green Army's assistant coach before taking charge of Czech Republic women, a role held until returning to Ireland for the women's top job in October 2024. Grundie is held in high regard due to his athlete-centred approach and commitment to developing a high-performance culture.

**In action:** Ireland's host Stage will take place in Dublin between 10-14 December 2025. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Australia (Hobart, Tasmania – 10-15 February 2026), the Netherlands (Rotterdam – 13-18 June 2026) and Germany (Berlin – 23-27 June 2026).

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## Netherlands

**Nickname:** The Oranje

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 1<sup>st</sup>. 2020-21: 1<sup>st</sup>. 2021-22: 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2022-23: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023-24 – 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024-25 – 1<sup>st</sup>

**Notable honours:** 5x Olympic gold medallists (1984, 2008, 2012, 2021, 2024), 9x World Cup winners (1974, 1978, 1983, 1986, 1990, 2006, 2014, 2018, 2022), 5x FIH Hockey Pro League champions (2019, 2020-21, 2022-23, 2023-24, 2024-25), 2x Hockey World League champions (2012-14, 2016-17), 7x Champions Trophy winners (1987, 2000, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2011, 2018), 13x European champions (1984, 1987, 1995, 1999, 2003, 2005, 2009, 2011, 2017, 2019, 2021, 2023, 2025).

**About the team:** The Oranje are the reigning Olympic, World, European and FIH Hockey Pro League champions, a feat that cements their reputation as one of the most awe-inspiring teams in world sport. Having stormed to Olympic glory at Paris 2024, the mighty Dutch have continued to be almost untouchable, dominating the 2024–25 FIH Hockey Pro League season before claiming a record-extending 13th continental title at August's EuroHockey Championships in Germany.

Over the past 12 months, few teams have come close to halting the Netherlands' march, with their superiority built on a potent blend of ruthless attacking quality, midfield control and brick-wall defensive organisation. Central to their success has been the sensational form of Yibbi Jansen, who enjoyed another stellar year. Named FIH Player of the Year 2024, Jansen top scored at both the EuroHockey Championships (6 goals) and the 2024-25 Pro League campaign (19 goals), her extraordinary drag-flick making her one of the most feared players in world hockey.

The depth of Dutch talent remains remarkable. Frédérique Matla continues to deliver world-class forward play, while Anne Veenendaal anchors the side with consistently exceptional goalkeeping performances. Experienced stars blend seamlessly with rising talents, ensuring the Oranje stay ahead of the chasing pack.

**One to watch:** Xan de Waard. A midfielder blessed with speed, power and skill. Named FIH Player of the Year both in 2023 and 2025.

**Head Coach:** Raoul Ehren. After winning both the Pro League and European Championship, Ehren has made an imperious start and will be keen to continue that form as the Netherlands prepare to defend their World Cup title in 2026. Ehren won nine Dutch and seven European titles as head coach of Den Bosch women before enjoying a successful two-year stint with Belgium's Red Panthers.

**In action:** The Netherlands' host Stage will take place in Rotterdam between 13-21 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Argentina (Santiago del Estero – 9-14 December 2025), China (Yunfu – 5-9 February 2026) and Belgium (Wavre – 24-28 June 2026).

**Website:** [www.knhb.nl](http://www.knhb.nl)

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## Spain

**Nickname:** The Red Sticks

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2021-22: 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 6<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** Olympic gold medallists (1992), FIH Women's World Cup bronze medallists (2018), 2x EuroHockey Championships silver medallists (1995, 2003), European Championship bronze medallists (2025), Champions Challenge 1 silver medallists (2003), FIH Hockey Nations Cup gold medallists (2023-24), FIH Hockey Nations Cup silver medallists (2022).

**About the team:** The Red Sticks enter the 2025-26 FIH Hockey Pro League season campaign brimming with confidence after a wonderfully positive summer in Germany. Their bronze medal at the 2025 EuroHockey Championships in Mönchengladbach was the team's highest European finish since 2003, sealing their ticket to the 2026 FIH Hockey World Cup in Belgium and the Netherlands.

They went unbeaten through the pool phase, drawing with Belgium (2-2) and Scotland (1-1) before sealing a semi-final berth with a 2-1 triumph over England thanks to strikes from Luciana Molina – who between 2013 and 2015 represented Argentina – and Lucia Jimenez. While a comprehensive defeat at the hands of the Netherlands (3-1) ended their title hopes, the team recovered to snatch the bronze against Belgium. Scoreless at full-time, goalkeeper Clara Pérez produced heroics in the shoot-out as Spain claimed a 2-1 win in the one-on-ones, with Pérez later named goalkeeper of the tournament.

Although only finishing sixth, Spain enjoyed some excellent moments in the 2024-25 Pro League. Their form in the Bhubaneswar leg was particularly impressive, winning all four of their matches – twice against Germany (2-1 / 2-1) and a double success against home favourites India (4-3 / 1-0). Patricia Alvarez and Estel Petchame were Spain's top scorers in the competition with four goals apiece.

**One to watch:** Xantal Gine. Co-captain alongside Lucia Jimenez and Marta Segu, 33-year-old defender Xantal Gine is Spain's most experienced campaigner with over 220 international appearances under her belt. In addition to bronze at the 2025 Euros, Gine is also a World Cup bronze medallist from London 2018.

**Head Coach:** Carlos Garcia Cuenca. Building on the sterling work of previous incumbent Adrian Lock, Carlos Garcia Cuenca made a significant impact since his appointment in September 2023, winning the FIH Hockey Nations Cup (2023-24) title and securing a superb bronze medal at the 2025 EuroHockey Championships.

**In action:** Spain's host Stage will take place in Valencia between 5-10 February 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Australia (Hobart, Tasmania – 20-24 February 2026), the Netherlands (Rotterdam – 17-21 June 2026) and England (London – 23-27 June 2026).

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## | TEAMS – MEN

Background information about the competing men's FIH Hockey Pro League teams, including notable achievements, key players and more can be found below.

Please note: not all squads had been finalised at the time of publication. For the latest information about each team, please [click here](#).

### Argentina

**Nickname:** Los Leones

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 5<sup>th</sup>. 2020-21: 7<sup>th</sup>. 2021-22: 5<sup>th</sup>. 2022-23: 8<sup>th</sup>. 2023-24: 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 6<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** Olympic gold medallists (2016), FIH Men's World Cup bronze medallists (2014), Hockey World League silver medallists (2017), 11x Pan American Games winners (1967, 1971, 1975, 1979, 1991, 1995, 2003, 2011, 2015, 2019, 2023), 5x Pan American Cup winners (2004, 2013, 2017, 2022, 2025).

**About the team:** 2016 Olympic gold medallists Argentina are Pan American hockey's dominant force, being crowned continental champions on 16 occasions. In addition to 11 Pan Am Games titles, they have won the Pan Am Cup five times, their most recent success coming at the 2025 edition in Montevideo, Uruguay.

Los Leones were in astonishing form at that competition, scoring 47 goals and conceding just once in their five victories. A 9-1 win over Canada in the semi-final was followed by a 10-0 thrashing of USA in the gold medal match to seal qualification for the FIH Hockey World Cup 2026 in Belgium and the Netherlands. Tomas Domene took both the best player and top scorer prizes in Montevideo, with his 13-goal haul consisting of seven field goals and six penalty corners.

Domene is far from the only superstar on the current Argentina roster. Drag-flicking defender Nicolas Della Torre and ace shot stopper Tomas Santiago were both shortlisted in the 2025 FIH Hockey Stars Awards, respectively nominated for the Player of the Year and Goalkeeper of the Year.

**One to watch:** Nicolas Della Torre. In addition to his recent FIH Player of the Year nomination, Della Torre scored ten times in the recent Pan Am Cup success.

**Head Coach:** Lucas Rey. An Olympic gold medallist from Rio 2016, Lucas Rey's first year at the helm resulted in a sixth-place Pro League finish before guiding the team to Pan Am glory. His brother Matias – who turns 41 in December – remains on Argentina's team list, bringing over 300 caps worth of experience to the table.

**In action:** Argentina's host Stage will take place in Santiago del Estero between 10-14 December 2025. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in India (Rourkela – 10-15 February 2026), England (London – 13-20 June 2026) and Germany (Berlin – 23-27 June 2026).

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## Australia

**Nickname:** The Kookaburras

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 1<sup>st</sup>. 2020-21: 2<sup>nd</sup>. 2022-23: 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023-24: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2024-25: 5<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** Olympic gold medallists (2004) 4x Olympic silver medallists (1968, 1976, 1992, 2021), 5x Olympic bronze medallists (1964, 1996, 2000, 2008, 2012), 3x FIH Men's World Cup winners (1986, 2010, 2014), 2x FIH Hockey Pro League champions (2019, 2023-24), Hockey World League champions (2015, 2017), 15x Champions Trophy winners (1983, 1984, 1985, 1989, 1990, 1993, 1999, 2005, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2016, 2018), 7x Commonwealth Games gold medallists (1998, 2002, 2006, 2010, 2014, 2018, 2022), 13x Oceania Cup champions (1999, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019, 2023, 2025).

**About the team:** After finishing fifth in 2024-25, two-time FIH Hockey Pro League champions Australia will be eager to prove a point in Season Seven. Having stormed to the 2023-24 title to secure their place at the 2026 FIH Hockey World Cup, a new-look Kookaburras did not quite find the consistency needed to defend their crown. They still collected a very respectable 27 points from 16 matches, with notable wins over the Netherlands (4-2), Belgium (3-1) and India (3-2 / 3-2) among their eight victories. However, three closing defeats – against England (2-1) and Germany (3-2 / 5-0) – resulted in a mid-table finish.

The Kookaburras were back to their best at September's Oceania Cup in Darwin, winning all three matches against New Zealand to claim a 13th successive title. Goals from Lachlan Sharp – making his first international appearance in 396 days after injury – and Nathan Ephraums sealed a 2-0 opening win, before two 4-1 results completed the series sweep.

Drag-flicking defender Jeremy Hayward is the squad's oldest (32) and most experienced player (254 caps), while prolific striker Blake Govers (175 caps / 162 goals), Tim Howard, Tom Craig, Jake Harvie, Joshua Beltz, Tim Brand and Lachlan Sharp are all centurions.

**One to watch:** Ky Willott. Named Kookaburra of the Year for 2025, 24-year-old Willott featured in all 19 matches, delivering dominant midfield displays and crucial goals.

**Head Coach:** Mark Hager. A legendary striker with the Kookaburras in the 1980s and 90s, Hager took the top job in November 2024 following successful spells with the women of New Zealand (Commonwealth gold – Gold Coast 2018) and England / Great Britain (Olympic bronze with GB – Tokyo 2020).

**In action:** Australia's host Stage will take place in Hobart, Tasmania between 10-25 February 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in England (London – 14-21 June 2026) and Belgium (Wavre – 23-28 June 2026).

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## Belgium

**Nickname:** The Red Lions

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020-21: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021-22: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022-23: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023-24: 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 2<sup>nd</sup>

**Notable honours:** FIH Men's World Cup winners (2018), Olympic gold medallists (2021), Olympic silver medallists (2016), FIH Men's World Cup silver medallists (2023), Olympic bronze medallists (1920), FIH Hockey Pro League champions (2020-21), 3x FIH Hockey Pro League silver medallists (2019, 2021-22, 2024-25), Hockey World League silver medallists (2015), European champions (2019), 2x European silver medallists (2013, 2017), 3x European bronze medallists (2007, 2021, 2023)

**About the team:** Belgium head into the new FIH Hockey Pro League season fuelled by an outstanding 2024–25 campaign that underlined their status as one of the world's elite teams. The Red Lions finished second overall, producing a string of high-quality performances marked by tactical precision and trademark attacking flair. Their form dipped at August's EuroHockey Championships in Mönchengladbach (GER), where pool losses to the Netherlands and Spain blocked their route to the semi-finals, failing to medal for the first time since 2015.

Central to their on-field identity are numerous world-class performers who continue to shape Belgium's golden era. Penalty corner specialist Alexander Hendrickx remains a constant threat; midfield heartbeat Victor Wegnez drives both tempo and intensity while legendary shot-stopper Vincent Vanasch, a three-time FIH Goalkeeper of the Year, brings unrivalled composure in high-pressure moments. At the back, defensive master and team captain Arthur Van Doren, twice crowned FIH Player of the Year, anchors a unit renowned for its discipline and intelligence.

With the 2026 FIH Hockey World Cup being staged in both Belgium and the Netherlands, this Pro League season doubles as crucial preparation for a home-soil title challenge – an opportunity the Red Lions are determined to seize.

**One to watch:** Tom Boon. The vastly experienced Belgium striker is currently in the form of his life, netting a stunning 21 goal haul in last season's Pro League and another five in the European championships. His sensational displays earned him the FIH Men's Player of the Year award for 2025 at the age of 35.

**Head Coach:** Shane McLeod. Having overseen the most successful period in Belgian hockey history, the brilliant New Zealander needs little introduction. Between 2018 and 2021, his team claimed the World (2018), European (2019), Pro League (2020–21) and Olympic (2021) titles. After three years as assistant coach, McLeod returned to the top job following Paris 2024, guiding a refreshed squad to Pro League silver.

**In action:** Belgium's host Stage will take place in Wavre between 13-28 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Ireland (Dublin – 9-14 December 2025) and India (Rourkela – 10-14 February 2026).

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## England

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2021-22: 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 7<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** Olympic gold medallists (1908), World Cup silver medallists (1986), European champions (2009), 2x EuroHockey Championship silver medallists (1987, 2023), 7x EuroHockey Championship bronze medallists (1978, 1991, 1995, 1999, 2003, 2011, 2017), FIH Champions Trophy silver medallists (2010), 4x Commonwealth Games bronze medallists (1998, 2014, 2018, 2022).

**About the team:** England will be looking to build on the positives of their 2024–25 FIH Hockey Pro League campaign, a year in which they finished a disappointing seventh but produced some fine displays on the road. Their defensive strength and counter-attacking quality were on full display during a superb series of victories, including back-to-back wins over Argentina in Buenos Aires (3-1 / 3-1), a comprehensive triumph over Ireland (8-0), and an excellent result against India in Bhubaneswar (3-2). In London, they pushed Olympic champions the Netherlands to a shoot-out and grabbed a 2-1 victory over the always dangerous Australia, underlining England's competitiveness against the world's strongest sides.

Individually, there were significant bright spots. Sam Ward, now 34, continued his reputation as one of the most feared forwards in world hockey, scoring 12 goals in 15 matches. Zach Wallace delivered another season of consistent brilliance with eight goals and a string of influential midfield displays, while goalkeeper James Mazarelo further enhanced his rapidly growing reputation, earning a nomination for the FIH Goalkeeper of the Year 2025 after several world-class performances.

Their failure to medal at the EuroHockey Championships 2025 means England must find form quickly, with the World Cup Qualifiers looming from 28 February to 8 March 2026. However, with Ward, Wallace, Mazarelo and a wealth of other supremely talented players, England remain capable of challenging the very best.

**One to watch:** Zach Wallace. Nominated for the FIH Hockey Stars Player of the Year Award both in 2023 and 2024, Wallace is a world class midfielder capable of match-winning displays. The 26-year-old, who plays for Dutch club giants H.C. Bloemendaal, was named England Hockey's Men's Senior Performance Player of the Year for 2025.

**Head Coach:** Zak Jones. Interim Head Coach from September 2024 after Paul Revington's departure, Zak Jones was appointed permanently in March 2025 following impressive early-season results in the 2024–25 Pro League. The former Wales international joined England and GB Hockey in 2020 as men's assistant coach, having previously led the Welsh men's team through a highly successful period.

**In action:** England's host Stage will take place in London between 13-28 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Ireland (Dublin – 10-14 December 2025) and Spain (Valencia – 6-10 February 2026).

**Website:** <https://www.englishockey.co.uk>

**X:** @EnglandHockey **Facebook:** @EnglandHockey **Instagram:** englishockey

**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## Germany

**Nickname:** Die Honamas

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 6<sup>th</sup>, 2020-21: 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021-22: 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022-23: 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023-24: 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 4<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** 4x Olympic gold medallists (1972\*, 1992, 2008, 2012), 4x Olympic silver medallists (1936, 1984\*, 1988\*, 2024), 4x Olympic bronze medallists (1928, 1956, 2004, 2016), 3x FIH Men's World Cup winners (2002, 2006, 2023), 9x Champions Trophy winners (1986\*, 1987\*, 1988\*, 1991, 1992, 1995, 1997, 2001, 2007, 2014), 9x European champions (1970\*, 1978\*, 1991, 1995, 1999, 2003, 2011, 2013, 2025) \*As West Germany

**About the team:** Germany arrive in the new FIH Hockey Pro League season buoyed by a positive 2024-25 campaign and a remarkable summer that reaffirmed their status as one of world hockey's true powerhouses. Die Honamas, the reigning World champions, finished fourth in last season's Pro League, producing a series of high-quality, tactically sharp performances that underlined both their depth and their growing momentum. That progress came to full fruition on home soil at the August's EuroHockey Championships 2025 in Mönchengladbach, where Germany thrilled their supporters by claiming a historic ninth continental crown.

The final offered a dramatic re-match of the Paris 2024 Olympic gold medal game, only this time it was Germany rather than the Netherlands who took the glory. Goalkeeper Jean-Paul Danneberg delivered a shootout masterclass – heroics that have since earned him the title of FIH Goalkeeper of the Year – while Justus Weigand, Michel Struthoff, Hannes Müller and Thies Prinz all showed tremendous composure to convert their attempts and secure the title.

Although the retirement of inspirational midfielder Mats Grambusch, Player of the Tournament at the Euros, marks the end of an era, the squad remains stacked with immense talent. Penalty corner ace Gonzalo Peillat – an Olympic gold medallist with Argentina at Rio 2016 – continues to provide world-class firepower, while an exciting core of established and emerging talents ensures Germany are well placed for their 2026 World Cup title defence in Belgium and the Netherlands.

**One to watch:** Christopher Rühr. One of the most gifted attackers of his generation, Rühr is a proven match-winner who produces moments of genius.

**Head Coach:** André Henning. Named Coach of the Year in the 2023 FIH Hockey Stars Awards, 41-year-old Henning is the mastermind behind Germany's impressive medal haul in recent times, winning World (2023) and European (2025) gold alongside Olympic silver (2024).

**In action:** Germany's host Stage will take place in Berlin between 24-28 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Ireland (Dublin – 9-13 December 2025), Australia (Hobart, Tasmania – 11-15 February 2026) and the Netherlands (Rotterdam – 13-20 June 2026).

**DHB Website:** [www.hockey.de](http://www.hockey.de)

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**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).



## India

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: DNP. 2020-21: 4<sup>th</sup>. 2021-22: 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2022-23: 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023-24: 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 8<sup>th</sup>

**Notable honours:** 8x Olympic gold medallists (1928, 1932, 1936, 1948, 1952, 1956, 1964, 1980), Olympic silver medallists (1960), 4x Olympic bronze medallists (1968, 1972, 2021, 2024), FIH Men's World Cup champions (1975), 4x Asian Games champions (1966, 1998, 2014, 2023), 4x Asia Cup champions (2003, 2007, 2017, 2025). 2x Champions Trophy silver medallists (2016, 2018), 3rd Place: Hockey Pro League (2021-22), Hockey World League bronze medallists (2015, 2017).

**About the team:** After a challenging 2024–25 campaign that saw them finish eighth out of nine, India begin the new FIH Hockey Pro League season determined to reset and reassert themselves. While that result fell well below expectations for a nation of India's stature, it should not overshadow the calibre of a team that are consecutive Olympic bronze medallists and one of the sport's most decorated sides.

Their class was on full display at September's Asia Cup 2025 in Rajgir where they thrilled home fans to win the title for a fourth time. A superb 4–1 victory over Korea in the final, courtesy of goals from Sukhjeet Singh, a Dilpreet Singh brace and Amit Rohidas, served to highlight both their attacking depth and tournament pedigree. Attacker Abhishek Nain was named Player of the Tournament after a series of dynamic, game-changing performances, as India booked their ticket to the FIH Hockey World Cup 2026 in Belgium and the Netherlands.

With a record-extending ninth Olympic title the long-term ambition, this upcoming Pro League campaign is crucial not only as preparation for the World Cup but also as a key qualification pathway towards Los Angeles 2028. Eager to rebuild momentum, India know that over the next 12 months, consistency will be key.

**One to watch:** Harmanpreet Singh. India's drag-flick specialist and star defender Harmanpreet is a proven match-winner who played a pivotal role in ending India's 41-year Olympic podium drought with back-to-back bronze medals. Harmanpreet is a three-time FIH Player of the Year winner, taking the prize in 2021, 2022, and 2024.

**Head Coach:** Craig Fulton. Appointed in April 2023, former South Africa international and triple Olympian Fulton coached Ireland's men's between 2014 and 2018 before serving as an assistant coach for Belgium's men's team, helping them become World and Olympic champions.

**In action:** India's host Stage will take place in Rourkela between 11-15 February 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Australia (Hobart, Tasmania – 21-25 February 2026), the Netherlands (Rotterdam – 14-21 June 2026) and England (London – 21-28 June 2026).

**Website:** [www.hockeyindia.org](http://www.hockeyindia.org)

**X:** @TheHockeyIndia **Facebook:** @TheHockeyIndia **Instagram:** hockeyindia

**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## Netherlands

**Nickname:** The Oranje

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 3<sup>rd</sup>. 2020-21: 5<sup>th</sup>. 2021-22: 1<sup>st</sup>. 2022-23: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023-24: 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2024-25: 1<sup>st</sup>

**Notable honours:** 3x Olympic gold medallists (1996, 2000, 2024), 3x FIH Men's World Cup winners (1973, 1990, 1998), 3x FIH Hockey Pro League champions (2021-22, 2022-23, 2024-25), 8x FIH Champions Trophy winners (1981, 1982, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2006), Hockey World League winners (2012-14 Edition), 7x European champions (1983, 1987, 2007, 2015, 2017, 2021, 2023).

**About the team:** Olympic champions The Netherlands begin their latest FIH Hockey Pro League journey as a team in full flight, having spent 2024-25 reminding the world exactly why they are so hard to stop. Their latest title, secured with a 35-point haul from 16 matches, was their third in four seasons. They lost only twice all campaign, combining seven outright victories with seven shoot-out wins to lift the trophy.

While it proved the perfect continuation of their Olympic triumph at Paris 2024, the season also delivered its share of heartache. Germany edged them in a dramatic shoot-out in the EuroHockey Championships 2025 final in Mönchengladbach, a reversal of the Olympic final that underscored the intensity of the rivalry.

Individually, the Oranje were buoyed by top scorer Koen Bijen, whose seven Pro League goals kept him among Europe's most dangerous forwards, while Jip Janssen's five-goal showing at the Euros highlighted his quality. Key defender Joep de Mol, ace midfielder Jorrit Croon and attacking stars Thijs van Dam and Thierry Brinkman were all superb performers over the past 12 months. With the 2026 World Cup, co-hosted with Belgium, fast approaching – and Olympic qualification for Los Angeles 2028 on the line – the Dutch will once again expect to set the standard.

**One to watch:** Thierry Brinkman. A dynamic goal creator and scorer, Thierry Brinkman became an Olympic hockey gold medallist at Paris 2024, following in the footsteps of his father, Jacques. Nominated for the FIH Men's Player of the Year award in 2022, 2023, 2024, and 2025,

**Head Coach:** Jeroen Delmee. Under the guidance of Delmee, the legendary Dutch defender and double Olympic gold medallist (1996, 2000) who took charge in late 2021, the Oranje have enjoyed sustained success. In addition to their magnificent Olympic gold medal at Paris 2024, the team has claimed three of the last four FIH Hockey Pro League titles as well as World Cup bronze (2023) and a seventh EuroHockey Championship (2023).

**In action:** The Netherlands' host Stage will take place in Rotterdam between 13-21 June 2026. The team will also appear at the Stages being played in Argentina (Santiago del Estero – 9-13 December 2025), Spain (Valencia – 5-9 February 2026) and Belgium (Wavre – 23-27 June 2026).

**Website:** [www.knhb.nl](http://www.knhb.nl)

**X:** @oranjehockey **Facebook:** oranjehockey **Instagram:** oranjehockey

**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## Pakistan

**Nickname:** The Green Shirts

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** N/A

**How they qualified:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – FIH Nations Cup 2024-25

**Notable honours:** 3x Olympic Gold medallists (1960, 1968, 1984), 3x Olympic silver medallists (1956, 1964, 1972), 2x Olympic bronze medallists (1976, 1992), 4x World champions (1971, 1978, 1982, 1994), 8x Asian Games gold medallists (1958, 1962, 1970, 1974, 1978, 1982, 1990, 2010), 3x Asia Cup gold medallists (1982, 1985, 1989), 3x Champions Trophy gold medallists (1978, 1980, 1994)

**About the team:** Few nations in world hockey can boast a heritage as rich as Pakistan's. The four-time world champions and three-time Olympic gold medallists remain one of the sport's most storied sides, having shaped the global game with their artistry, flair and iconic players across generations. While recent years have brought challenges, the Green Shirts are rebuilding with ambition and purpose. A debut in the FIH Hockey Pro League marks an important step in that journey.

Pakistan earned their place in Season Seven thanks to an excellent campaign at the FIH Hockey Nations Cup 2024–25 in Malaysia, where they finished runners-up to New Zealand. Although the Black Sticks initially secured the qualification spot, Hockey New Zealand later declined the invitation, meaning – as per FIH regulations – the opportunity passed to Pakistan, who accepted and confirmed their participation.

Their performance in Kuala Lumpur was full of promise. Sufyan Khan, Rana Waheed and Abdul Rehman each netted three times, with 21-year-old drag-flicking defender Sufyan named Young Player of the Tournament. Sufyan's form carried into November, firing eight goals across two matches against Bangladesh to send Pakistan into the 2026 FIH World Cup Qualification pathway. It was an impressive statement from a team intent on climbing back towards hockey's summit.

**One to watch:** Ammad Butt. Pakistan's inspirational captain is the heartbeat of the Green Shirts. The 29-year-old midfielder is the only player in the current squad to have surpassed 100 caps – 172 and counting – and brings invaluable leadership, composure and competitive edge.

**Head Coach:** Tahir Zaman. A member of the triumphant Green Shirts team that became world champions at Sydney 1994, Tahir Zaman has taken charge on numerous occasions since 2002, while also having coaching spells in Oman and Egypt. Zaman did not travel with the Pakistan contingent that claimed a 2-0 series win over Bangladesh in November, with Muhammad Usman and Zeeshan Ashraf overseeing proceedings.

**In action:** The Green Shirts are appearing in Argentina (Santiago del Estero – 9-14 December 2025), Australia (Hobart, Tasmania – 10-14 February 2026), Belgium (Wavre – 13-20 June 2026) and England (London – 23-27 June 2026).

**Website:** <https://pakistanhockeyfederation.com>

**X:** PHFOfficial **Facebook:** PHFOfficial **Instagram:** PHFOfficial

**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## Spain

**Nickname:** The Red Sticks

**Previous FIH Hockey Pro League placements:** 2019: 7<sup>th</sup>. 2020-21: 9<sup>th</sup>. 2021-22: 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022-23: 5<sup>th</sup>, 2023-24: 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024-25: 3<sup>rd</sup>

**Notable honours:** 3x Olympic silver medallists (1980, 1996, 2008), Olympic bronze medallists (1960), 2x FIH Men's World Cup silver medallists (1971, 1998), 2x European champions (1974, 2005), 3x European silver medallists (2003, 2007, 2019), 2x European bronze medallists (1970, 2025), FIH Champions Trophy winners (2004).

**About the team:** Spain arrive in the new FIH Hockey Pro League season riding a remarkable wave of momentum. Over the past year the Red Sticks have been in outstanding form, showcasing a blend of fearless attacking play and defensive solidity. Their third-place finish in the 2024–25 Pro League was their best in the competition to date; a statement of how far this talented group has progressed. Across 16 matches they amassed an impressive 29 points and defeated seven of the eight teams they faced at least once, taking notable wins over Australia, India, world champions Germany, England, Argentina, Belgium and Ireland. Only the Olympic champions and eventual title-winners, the Netherlands, avoided defeat against them.

That confidence and consistency carried into the EuroHockey Championships in Mönchengladbach, where Spain sealed a superb bronze medal. Striker Nicolas Alvarez – who netted nine times in last year's Pro League, all from open play – continued his breakout year with three crucial goals, including a decisive strike in the 2–0 bronze medal victory over France, while established figures such as Pepe Cunill, Marc Recasens, Jose Basterra, and Marc Miralles stepped up at vital moments.

Building on their brilliant 2024–25 campaign, Spain now look to push even higher. With a core of exciting young talents complementing a battle-hardened leadership group, the Red Sticks continue to evolve into one of the world's most dangerous and entertaining sides.

**One to watch:** Nicolas Alvarez. A gifted striker who is both fearless and clinical, the 22-year-old from Santander looks to have a very bright future ahead of him.

**Head Coach:** Max Caldas. Recently named FIH Men's Coach of the Year for 2025, former Argentina international Caldas has an impressive track record. After leading the Netherlands' women to Olympic (2012) and World Cup (2014) triumphs, he then claimed three European titles (2015, 2021, 2023) with the Dutch men. Having steered the Red Sticks to Pro League and European bronze in 2025, his ability to achieve success at international level show no sign of waning.

**In action:** Spain's host Stage will take place in Valencia between 5-10 February 2026. The team will also appear in Australia (Hobart, Tasmania – 20-24 February 2026), Belgium (Wavre – 14-21 June 2026) and Germany (Berlin – 23-28 June 2026).

**RFEH website:** [www.rfeh.es](http://www.rfeh.es)

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**FIH Hockey Pro League team page:** [click here](#).

## | Competition officials

Just like players, the competition officials that take part in the FIH Hockey Pro League are the very best in the sport. A complete list of competition officials can be found at the following link:

<https://www.fih.hockey/events/fih-pro-league/officials>

Information regarding the appointed officials for each match will be made available on the FIH Hockey Pro League website around 24 hours before the start of the contest. To see this information, simply visit the below link and select the match that you are interested in.

<https://www.fih.hockey/events/fih-pro-league/schedule-fixtures-results>



## | Additional Information

## | FIH Hockey Pro League statistics

Below is a statistical snapshot covering the six editions of the FIH Hockey Pro League played to date. For a deeper dive into the competitions, individual matches and player statistics, please visit <https://www.fih.hockey/datahub>.

## | Stats overview

### Editions

Women & Men: 6

### Teams to have taken part

Women: 13

Men: 14

### Matches

Women: 436

Men: 420

### Total goals

Women: 1548 (3.55 goals per match)

Men: 1964 (4.67 goals per match)

### All time medallists

#### Women

Team	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Netherlands	5	1	0	6
Argentina	1	3	1	5
Australia	0	1	1	2
Germany	0	1	1	2
Great Britain	0	0	1	1
India	0	0	1	1
Belgium	0	0	1	1

#### Men

Team	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Netherlands	3	1	1	5
Australia	2	1	0	3
Belgium	1	3	1	5
Great Britain	0	1	1	2
Germany	0	0	1	1
India	0	0	1	1
Spain	0	0	1	1

## | Overview: FIH Hockey Pro League 2024-25 – Season 6

### Final Standings

**Women:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Argentina, 3: Belgium, 4: China, 5: Australia, 6: Spain, 7: Germany, 8: England, 9: India

**Men:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Belgium, 3: Spain, 4: Germany, 5: Australia, 6: Argentina, 7: England, 8: India, 9: Ireland

### Competition statistics

#### Number of goals

**Women:** 304 (157 Field goals, 129 Penalty Corners, 18 Penalty Strokes)

**Men:** 343 (195 Field Goals, 125 Penalty Corners, 23 Penalty Strokes)

#### Number of disciplinary Cards

**Women:** 156 (123 Green, 23 Yellow, 0 Red)

**Men:** 172 (138 Green, 34 Yellow, 0 Red)

### Top scorers

#### Women - 6 or more goals

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
JANSEN Yibbi	NED	2	17	0	19
GORZELANY Agustina	ARG	0	10	5	15
MATLA Frederique	NED	5	2	2	9
VANDEN BORRE Stephanie	BEL	0	7	2	9
Van der ELST Fay	NED	8	1	0	9
Deepika	IND	1	6	0	7
FOKKE Luna	NED	4	2	0	6
BRUGGESSER Brisa	ARG	6	0	0	6
TAN Jinzhuang	CHN	0	6	0	6

To view the full list, [click here](#).

#### Men's – 7 or more goals

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
BOON Tom	BEL	13	6	2	21
WARD Sam	ENG	3	9	0	12
DOMENE Tomas	ARG	2	7	1	10
ALVAREZ Nicolas	ESP	9	0	0	9
WALLACE Zach	ENG	3	0	5	8
STOCKBROEKX Thibaud	BEL	6	1	0	7
GOVERS Blake	AUS	4	2	1	7
BIJEN Koen	NED	5	2	0	7



To view the full list, [click here](#).

## Team statistics

### Women

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Netherlands	16	40	27	2	69	15	2	0
Argentina	16	20	11	5	36	15	3	0
Belgium	16	13	25	4	42	11	4	0
China	16	19	9	2	34	7	2	0
Australia	16	20	6	3	29	12	1	0
Spain	16	13	8	1	22	17	4	0
Germany	16	19	9	2	30	15	2	0
England	16	12	8	0	20	16	3	0
India	16	10	11	1	22	15	0	0

### Men

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Netherlands	16	25	11	2	38	10	0	0
Belgium	16	35	15	3	53	15	3	0
Spain	16	23	13	3	39	13	3	0
Germany	16	26	20	0	46	16	6	0
Australia	16	24	16	2	42	18	6	0
Argentina	16	14	13	1	28	15	4	0
England	16	16	19	6	41	17	6	0
India	16	16	16	2	34	13	2	0
Ireland	16	13	6	3	22	18	4	0

### Highest scoring matches

**Women:** 13 goals – Netherlands 11-2 Spain – 12 June 2025 (Competition average: 4.22)

**Men:** 10 goals – Germany 8-2 Ireland – 18 February 2025; Spain 9-1 Ireland – 22 June 2025 (Competition average: 4.76)

Extensive statistics from Season 6 of the FIH Hockey Pro League can be found at the following links:

**Women:** [click here](#)

**Men:** [click here](#)

## | Overview: FIH Hockey Pro League 2023-24 – Season 5

### Final Standings

**Women:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Germany, 3: Argentina, 4: Belgium, 5: China, 6: Australia, 7: Great Britain, 8: India, 9: USA

**Men:** 1: Australia (champions), 2: Netherlands, 3: Great Britain, 4: Argentina, 5: Belgium, 6: Germany, 7: India, 8: Spain, 9: Ireland

### Competition statistics

#### Number of goals

**Women:** 277 (149 Field goals, 109 Penalty Corners, 19 Penalty Strokes)

**Men:** 341 (198 Field Goals, 124 Penalty Corners, 19 Penalty Strokes)

#### Number of disciplinary Cards

**Women:** 166 (136 Green, 30 Yellow, 0 Red)

**Men:** 172 (132 Green, 40 Yellow, 0 Red)

### Top scorers

#### Women - 6 or more goals

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
JANSEN Yibbi	NED	2	13	4	19
GORZELANY Agustina	ARG	0	9	2	11
GU Bingfeng	CHN	0	4	3	7
LORENZ Nike	GER	1	5	1	7
TRINCHINETTI Eugenia	ARG	3	4	0	7
MOES Freeke	NED	4	2	0	6
VAN DER ELST Fay	NED	6	0	0	6

To view the full list, [click here](#).

#### Men's – 7 or more goals

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
JANSSEN Jip	NED	0	12	3	15
GOVERS Blake	AUS	3	8	1	12
SINGH Harmanpreet	IND	0	8	4	12
WARD Sam	GBR	7	3	1	11
HENDRICKX Alexander	BEL	0	8	2	10
DOMENE Tomas	ARG	1	8	0	9
PEILLAT Gonzalo	GER	0	7	0	7

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## Team statistics

### Women

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Netherlands	16	34	24	5	63	16	3	0
Argentina	16	17	21	2	40	18	1	0
Germany	16	18	15	2	35	16	5	0
China	16	19	8	4	31	15	2	0
Australia	16	15	13	1	29	17	4	0
Great Britain	16	12	9	3	24	20	7	0
Belgium	16	12	10	2	24	8	1	0
India	16	13	3	0	16	13	5	0
USA	16	9	6	0	15	13	2	0

### Men

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Australia	16	32	23	1	56	13	8	0
Netherlands	16	25	17	3	45	17	5	0
Belgium	16	24	13	4	41	15	3	0
Argentina	16	21	17	1	39	11	3	0
India	16	20	14	4	38	12	2	0
Great Britain	16	27	9	1	37	18	3	0
Spain	16	24	11	1	36	15	5	0
Germany	16	18	14	1	33	19	4	0
Ireland	16	7	6	3	16	12	7	0

### Highest scoring matches

**Women:** 9 goals – USA 4-5 Argentina – 23 May 2024 (Competition average: 3.85)

**Men:** 10 goals – India 4-6 Australia – 15 February 2024 (Competition average: 4.74)

## Overview: FIH Hockey Pro League 2022-23 – Season 4

### Final Standings

**Women:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Argentina, 3: Australia, 4: Belgium, 5: Germany, 6: Great Britain, 7: China, 8: New Zealand, 9: USA

**Men:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Great Britain, 3: Belgium, 4: India, 5: Spain, 6: Germany, 7: Australia, 8: Argentina, 9: New Zealand

### Competition statistics

#### Number of goals

**Women:** 271 (163 Field goals, 90 Penalty Corners, 18 Penalty Strokes)

**Men:** 348 (179 Field Goals, 148 Penalty Corners, 21 Penalty Strokes)

#### Number of disciplinary Cards

**Women:** 166 (140 Green, 26 Yellow, 0 Red)

**Men:** 243 (180 Green, 63 Yellow, 0 Red)

### Top scorers

#### Women - 6 or more goals

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
JANSEN Yibbi	NED	0	13	1	14
BURG Joosje	NED	7	1	0	8
DICKE Pien	NED	5	3	0	8
MATLA Frederique	NED	6	0	2	8
GU Bingfeng	CHN	0	3	4	7
MALONE Ambrosia	AUS	5	2	0	7
WHITE Emily	BEL	6	1	0	7
GRANATTO Maria	ARG	0	3	0	6
STAPENHORST Charlotte	GER	5	0	0	6
VANDEN BORRE Stephanie	BEL	6	6	0	6

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#### Men's – 7 or more goals

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
SINGH Harmanpreet	IND	0	16	2	18
HENDRICKX Alexander	BEL	1	10	2	13
BANDURAK Nicholas	GBR	4	6	2	12
WARD Sam	GBR	5	6	0	11
PELLAT Gonzalo	GER	0	8	0	8
BRINKMAN Thierry	NED	7	0	0	7
REYNE Marc	ESP	6	1	0	7
RINTALA Joel	AUS	5	2	0	7

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## Team statistics

### Women

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Netherlands	16	37	21	4	62	14	2	0
Germany	16	29	9	0	38	15	3	0
Belgium	16	22	11	2	35	14	2	0
Argentina	16	15	13	2	30	19	5	0
Australia	16	20	8	0	28	17	2	0
Great Britain	16	12	11	2	25	17	2	0
China	16	10	8	5	23	14	3	0
New Zealand	16	8	7	2	17	14	1	0
USA	16	10	2	1	13	16	6	0

### Men

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
India	16	27	21	3	51	21	6	0
Great Britain	16	24	18	4	46	24	9	0
Netherlands	16	30	14	2	46	16	4	0
Belgium	16	15	24	3	42	20	4	0
Australia	16	20	19	2	41	18	5	0
Spain	16	24	12	1	37	18	7	0
Germany	16	15	14	2	31	23	12	0
Argentina	16	11	16	1	28	21	9	0
New Zealand	16	13	10	3	26	19	7	0

### Highest scoring matches

**Women:** 9 goals – Netherlands 7-2 Australia – 8 June 2023 (Competition average: 3.76)

**Men:** 11 goals – India 7-4 New Zealand – 4 Nov 2022 (Competition average: 4.83)



## | Overview: FIH Hockey Pro League 2021-22 – Season 3

### Final Standings

**Women:** 1: Argentina (champions), 2: Netherlands, 3: India, 4: Belgium, 5: Spain, 6: Germany, 7: England, 8: China, 9: USA

**Men:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Belgium, 3: India, 4: Germany, 5: Argentina, 6: England, 7: Spain, 8: France, 9: South Africa

### Competition statistics

#### Number of goals

**Women:** 376 (200 Field goals, 155 Penalty Corners, 21 Penalty Strokes)

**Men:** 308 (211 Field Goals, 87 Penalty Corners, 10 Penalty Strokes)

#### Number of disciplinary Cards

**Women:** 120 (100 Green, 20 Yellow, 0 Red)

**Men:** 197 (156 Green, 41 Yellow, 0 Red)

### Top scorers

#### Women's Top 10

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
GORZELANY Agustina	ARG	0	10	2	12
JANSEN Yibbi	NED	0	7	2	9
MAERTENS Pia	GER	7	0	0	7
MATLA Frédérique	NED	3	2	2	7
VANDEN BORRE Stephanie	BEL	1	6	0	7
BALLENGHIEN Ambre	BEL	3	2	1	6
BALSDON Grace	ENG	0	5	1	6
GINE Xantal	ESP	0	6	0	6
GRANATTO Maria	ARG	2	4	0	6
GU Bingfeng	CHN	0	5	1	6
TRINCHINETTI Eugenia	ARG	4	2	0	6

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#### Men's Top 11

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
SINGH Harmanpreet	IND	0	14	4	18
BOON Tom	BEL	7	5	0	12
BANDURAK Nicholas	ENG	3	7	0	10
HENDRICKX Alexander	BEL	0	8	1	9
de KERPEL Nicolas	BEL	6	2	0	8
ABHISHEK	IND	6	1	0	7
BIJEN Koen	NED	7	0	0	7
BRINKMAN Thierry	NED	7	0	0	7

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CHARLET Victor	FRA	0	5	2	7
MIRALLES Marc	ESP	0	5	2	7
WARD Sam	ENG	1	4	2	7

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### Team statistics

#### Women

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Argentina	16	21	20	2	43	17	3	0
Netherlands	16	22	16	4	42	11	1	0
Belgium	16	20	14	1	35	14	1	0
India	16	20	10	3	33	11	2	0
Germany	16	17	10	3	30	13	4	0
England	16	14	11	1	26	11	1	0
Spain	16	9	12	2	23	7	1	0
China	16	8	10	1	19	6	4	0
USA	16	4	7	2	13	10	3	0

#### Men

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
India	16	31	27	4	62	18	4	0
Netherlands	16	45	13	3	61	16	2	0
Belgium	16	29	22	1	52	15	4	0
Germany	16	17	20	3	40	16	5	0
England	16	18	20	2	40	21	4	0
Spain	16	16	18	2	36	7	2	0
Argentina	16	16	13	2	31	22	6	0
France	16	18	10	3	31	20	5	0
South Africa	16	10	12	1	23	21	9	0

### Highest scoring matches

**Women:** 10 goals

Netherlands 10-0 USA – 3 April 2022

Competition average: 3.77

**Men:** 12 goals:

South Africa 1-11 Netherlands – 8 Feb 2022

South Africa 2-10 India – 9 Feb 2022

South Africa 2-10 India – 13 Feb 2022.

Competition average: 5.22

## | Overview: FIH Hockey Pro League 2020-21 – Season 2

**Note:** Due to the implications of the COVID-19 global health pandemic, the 2020 edition was extended through to June 2021 to allow as many matches to take place as possible. Because numerous matches were unable to be played before the end of the season, the final ranking of the teams was determined by points percentage instead of total points.

### Final Standings

**Women:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Argentina, 3: Great Britain, 4: Germany, 5: Australia, 6: New Zealand, 7: Belgium, 8: China, 9: USA

**Men:** 1: Belgium (champions), 2: Australia, 3: Germany, 4: India, 5: Netherlands, 6: Great Britain, 7: Argentina, 8: New Zealand, 9: Spain

### Competition statistics

#### Number of goals

**Women:** 156 (91 Field goals, 58 Penalty Corners, 7 Penalty Strokes)

**Men:** 248 (147 Field Goals, 100 Penalty Corners, 1 Penalty Stroke)

#### Number of disciplinary Cards

**Women:** 83 (71 Green, 12 Yellow, 0 Red)

**Men:** 156 (118 Green, 38 Yellow, 0 Red)

### Top scorers

#### Women – 4 or more goals

Player	Team	FG	PC	PS	Goals
MERRY Olivia	NZL	5	6	0	11
GORZELANY Agustina	ARG	0	6	1	7
MATLA Frederique	NED	3	3	1	7
WELTEN Lidewij	NED	5	2	0	7
ROBERTSON Sarah	GBR	4	1	0	5
BALLENGHIEN Ambre	BEL	3	1	0	4
MERINO Delfina	ARG	3	1	0	4

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#### Men – 6 or more goals

Player	Team	FG	PC	PS	Goals
HENDRICKX Alexander	BEL	0	11	0	11
TOLINI Jose	ARG	0	10	0	10
JANSSEN Jip	NED	0	7	0	7
HERTZBERGER Jeroen	NED	5	1	0	6
QUEMADA Pau	ESP	1	5	0	6

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### Highest scoring matches

**Women:** 9 goals – USA 0-9 Netherlands (competition average: 3.71)

**Men:** 10 goals – Australia 7-3 New Zealand (competition average: 4.96)

## | Overview: FIH Hockey Pro League 2019 – Season 1

### Final Standings

**Women:** 1: Netherlands (champions), 2: Australia, 3: Germany, 4: Argentina, 5: Belgium, 6: New Zealand, 7: China, 8: Great Britain, 9: USA

**Men:** 1: Australia (champions), 2: Belgium, 3: Netherlands, 4: Great Britain, 5: Argentina, 6: Germany, 7: Spain, 8: New Zealand

### Competition statistics

#### Number of goals

**Women:** 266 (162 Field goals, 97 Penalty Corners, 7 Penalty Strokes)

**Men:** 308 (211 Field Goals, 87 Penalty Corners, 10 Penalty Strokes)

#### Number of disciplinary Cards

**Women:** 182 (154 Green, 28 Yellow, 0 Red)

**Men:** 137 (110 Green, 27 Yellow, 0 Red)

### Top scorers

#### Women's Top 10

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
MERRY Olivia	NZL	9	3	3	15
MATLA Frederique	NED	7	2	1	10
FITZPATRICK Savannah	AUS	6	0	0	6
OWSLEY Lily	GBR	3	3	0	6
STAPENHORST Charlotte	GER	6	0	0	6
van MAASAKKER Caia	NED	0	6	0	6
GROTE Rebecca	GER	0	5	0	5
JANKUNAS Julieta	ARG	5	0	0	5
LORENZ Nike	GER	2	2	1	5
WILLIAMS Mariah	AUS	3	2	0	5

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#### Men's Top 10

Player	Team	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Goals
GOVERS Blake	AUS	2	8	2	12
QUEMADA Pau	ESP	9	1	0	10
BOON Tom	BEL	8	1	0	9
CHARLIER Cédric	BEL	8	1	0	9
HERTZBERGER Jeroen	NED	6	2	1	9
ROPER Phil	GBR	6	3	0	9
HENDRICKX Alexander	BEL	0	8	0	8
PRUIJSER Mirco	NED	8	0	0	8
WARD Sam	GBR	4	4	0	8
ANDERSON Jacob	AUS	6	0	0	6

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### Team statistics

#### Women

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Netherlands	18*	29	15	1	45	14	3	0
Australia	18*	25	9	1	38	15	6	0
Germany	18*	22	12	1	36	30	4	0
Argentina	18*	22	11	0	33	17	3	0
New Zealand	16	17	9	3	29	11	1	0
China	16	17	10	0	27	15	4	0
Great Britain	16	10	11	1	22	17	3	0
Belgium	16	10	11	0	21	18	2	0
United States	16	6	9	0	15	17	2	0

\*Played two additional matches due to their qualification for the Grand Final event

#### Men

Team	Matches Played	Field Goals	Penalty Corners	Penalty Strokes	Total Goals	Green Cards	Yellow Cards	Red Cards
Belgium	16*	43	14	0	57	15	3	0
Australia	16*	32	15	2	49	12	1	0
Netherlands	16*	30	12	1	43	18	2	0
Great Britain	16*	23	14	2	39	13	2	0
Spain	14	26	7	0	33	16	5	0
Argentina	14	20	9	2	31	13	3	0
Germany	14	20	8	2	30	14	6	0
New Zealand	14	17	8	1	26	9	5	0

\*Played two additional matches due to their qualification for the Grand Final event

#### Most attacking:

**Women:** Netherlands – 523 circle entries

**Men:** Belgium – 411 circle entries

#### Most saves:

**Women:** Australia – 98 saves

**Men:** Netherlands – 74 saves

#### Highest scoring matches

**Women:** 8 goals – Netherlands 7-1 USA (competition average: 3.5)

**Men:** 11 goals – Spain 5-6 Great Britain (competition average: 5.13)

#### Best Players of the FIH Hockey Pro League 2019

**Women:** Frederique Matla (NED)

**Men:** Aran Zalewski (AUS)



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