

# U.S. Men's National Under-17 Team

2017 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge || Team USA Game Notes





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Team USA Information, including player and staff bios, team schedule, news and a complete history section are available at the official website of the U.S. National

# Team USA Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
Nov. 2	Canada Red (Exh.)	W (9-1)
Nov. 5	Czech Republic	W (5-2)
Nov. 6	Canada White	W/OT (4-3)
Nov. 7	Canada Black	W (5-4)
Nov. 9	Quarterfinals (vs. Sweden)	W (5-1)
Nov. 10	Semifinals (vs. Canada W) 7p.m	. local/9 p.m. ET
Nov. 11	Bronze Medal Game 2:30 p.m. lo	cal/ 4:30 p.m. ET
Nov. 11	Gold Medal Game 7:00 p.m. loo	cal/ 9:00 p.m. ET





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# **Matchup Information**



**USA** (4-0-0)

VS.

Canada White (2-1-1)

# **Talking Points**

### **USA VS CANADA WHITE**

The Under-17 Team will face Canada White in tonight's semifinal game at 7 p.m. MST/ 9 p.m. ET.

The U.S. defeated Canada White 4-3 in overtime earlier in the tournament. Canada White comes into the semifinal with a 2-1-1 record after defeating Finland, 5-1 in its quarterfinal game. The U.S. is 4-0-0 in the tournament after defeating Sweden last night 5-1.

#### **USA VS SWEDEN RECAP**

The U.S. defeated Sweden 5-1 in its quarter-final match-up yesterday afternoon.

Cole Caufield (Stevens Points, Wis.), Jack Hughes, and Alex Turcotte (Island Lake, III.) all each netted a goal and recorded an assist in the win. Patrick Moynihan (Millis, Mass.) and Sean Farrell (Hopkinton, Mass.) also netted goals. Cameron Rowe (Wilmette, III.) finished that game with 30 saves.

# **USA VS CANADA BLACK RECAP**

The U.S. National Under-17 Team scored four third period goals, to defeat Canada Black last tonight, 5-4 in its last preliminary game of the World Under-17 Challenge.

Matthew Boldy (Millis, Mass.), Alex Turcotte (Island Lake, Ill.), Judd Caulfied (Grand Forks, N.D.) all netted one in the win while Cole Caufield (Stevens Point, Wis.) netted two.

With the win, Team USA won Group A with eight points.

## **USA VS CANADA WHITE RECAP**

The U.S. National Under-17 Team came back to defeat Canada White Monday night (Nov. 6) 4-3 in overtime.

Cole Caufield (Stevens Point, Wis.), Cam York (Anaheim Hills, Calif.) and Jack Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) all scored in regulation to tie the game 3-3. Trevor Zegras (Bedford, N.Y.) had the game-winner at 2:45 of overtime to give Team USA the win.

## **USA VS CZECH REPUBLIC RECAP**

The U.S. National Under-17 Team defeated the Czech Republic last night, 5-2 in its opening game of the 2017 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge. Jack Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) led Team USA with 2 goals. Alex Turcotte (Island Lake, Ill.), Danny Weight (Lattington, N.Y.), and Patrick Moynihan (Millis, Mass.) also netted goals in the win.

**Spencer Knight** (Darien, Conn.) stood tall in net for the U.S. collecting 18 saves.

# USA VS CANADA RED EXHIBITION RECAP

The U.S. defeated Canada Red, 9-1 Thursday night in its exhibition game. Matthew Boldy (Millis, Mass.), Judd Caulfield (Grand Forks, N.D.) and Cole Caufield (Stevens Point, Wis.) all netted two goals in the win. Jack Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) led Team USA with five points (1-4). Spencer Knight (Darien, Conn.) and Cameron Rowe (Wilmette, Ill.) split time in net combining for 23 saves.

## **WORLD U17 CHALLENGE HISTORY**

Team USA has competed at the World U17 Hockey Challenge on 24 previous occasions, including the Quebec Cup in 1990 and the Quebec Esso Cup in 1986. Combined, the U.S. has a 83-7-5-34-7 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) record, good for first in the all-time event standings.

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# U.S. Men's National Under-17 Team Roster

NO. Goalt	NAME enders (2)	HT (cm)	WT (kg)	DOB	S/C	HOMETOWN	2016-17 Team
35	Spencer Knight	6-3 (191)	193 (88)	4/19/01	L	Darien, Conn.	Avon Old Farms (Conn.) Prep
31	Cameron Rowe	6-1 (185)	185 (84)	6/1/01	L	Wilmette, III.	Team Illinois 16U
Defen	semen (8)						
38	Domenick Fensore	5-6 (168)	140 (64)	9/7/01	L	Thornwood, N.Y.	P.A.L. Junior Islanders 16U
40	Drew Helleson	6-2 (188)	168 (76)	3/26/01	R	Farmington, Minn.	Shattuck St. Mary's (Minn.) Prep
39	Case McCarthy	6-1 (185)	193 (88)	1/9/01	R	Clarence Center, N.Y.	Buffalo Jr. Sabres 16U
34	Ryan Siedem	6-2 (188)	186 (84)	2/25/01	R	Madison, N.J.	Avon Old Farms (Conn.) Prep
33	Henry Thrun	6-1 (185)	184 (83)	3/12/01	L	Southborough, Mass.	St. Mark's (Mass.) School
36	Alex Vlasic	6-5 (196)	189 (86)	6/5/01	L	Wilmette, III.	Chicago Mission 16U37
37	Marshall Warren	5-11 (180)	161 (73)	4/20/01	L	Laurel Hollow, N.Y.	North Jersey Avalanche 16U
32	Cam York	5-11 (180)	160 (72)	1/5/01	L	Anaheim Hills, Calif.	Shattuck St. Mary's (Minn.) Prep
Forwa	ards (13)						
52	John Beecher	6-2 (188)	201 (91)	4/5/01	L	Elmira, N.Y.	Salisbury (Conn.) School
49	Matthew Boldy	6-0 (183)	175 (79)	4/5/01	L	Millis, Mass.	Dexter (Mass.) School
59	Cole Caufield	5-6 (168)	146 (66)	1/2/01	R	Stevens Point, Wis.	Stevens Point Area (Wis.) H.S.
41	Judd Caulfield	6-2 (188)	197 (89)	3/19/01	R	Grand Forks, N.D.	Grand Forks Central (N.D.) H.S.
47	Sean Farrell	5-8 (173)	168 (76)	11/2/01	L	Hopkinton, Mass.	St. Mark's (Mass.) School
51	Michael Gildon	6-0 (183)	184 (83)	6/21/01	L	Plano, Texas	Dallas Stars 16U
43	Jack Hughes	5-9 (175)	157 (71)	5/14/01	L	Orlando, Fla.	Toronto Marlboros AAA
42	Owen Lindmark	6-0 (183)	170 (77)	5/17/01	R	Naperville, III.	Chicago Mission 16U
46	Patrick Moynihan	5-10 (178)	175 (79)	1/23/01	R	Millis, Mass.	Noble & Greenough (Mass.) School
45	Ryder Rolston	5-11 (180)	149 (67)	10/31/01	R	Birmingham, Mich.	Little Caesars 16U
48	Alex Turcotte	5-11 (180)	184 (83)	2/26/01	L	Island Lake, III.	Chicago Mission 16U
44	Danny Weight	5-11 (180)	187 (85)	5/1/01	L	Lattingtown, N.Y.	P.A.L. Junior Islanders 16U
53	Trevor Zegras	5-11 (180)	159 (72)	3/20/01	L	Bedford, N.Y.	Avon Old Farms (Conn.) Prep



Team Manager	Bruce Urban, Queen Creek, Ariz.
Head Coach	John Wroblewski, Neenah, Wis.
Assistant Coach	Greg Moore, Lisbon, Maine.
Assistant Coach	Kevin Lind, Homer Glen, Ill.
Goaltending Coach	Thomas Speer, Janesville, Wis.
Team Physician	Dr. Aneesh Garg, Chicago, Ill.
Athletic Trainer	Jason Hodges, New Baltimore, Mich.
Equipment Manager	Jake Visser, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Team Leader	Matt Williams, Rochester Hills, Mich.
Communications	Laurel Young, Petoskey, Mich.



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Average Height	.6-0 (182)
Average Weight	174 (78)
Average Goaltender Height	6-1(185)
TallestAlex V	lasic (6-5)
ShortestDomenick Fensore/Cole Cau	ıfield (5-6)
Shoots/Catches Left	15
Shoots/Catches Right	8
Youngest Player Sean Farrell	(11/2/01)
Oldest PlayerCole Caufield	d (1/2/01)

# Breakdown by Home State

New York	6
Illinois	4
Massachusetts	4
California	1
Connecticut	1
Florida	1
Michigan	1
Minnesota	1
New Jersey	1
North Dakota	1
Texas	1
Wisconsin	1

#### **Breakdown by College Commitment**

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Boston College	7
Boston University	3
Harvard University	3
University of Wisconsin	2
Quinnipiac University	1
University of Michigan	1
University of Nebraska- Omaha	1
University of North Dakota	1
University of Notre Dame	1

# **Talking Points (cont.)**

Team USA has finished in the top three 14 times; first place in January 2014, 2010, 2002 and 2001; second place in November 2014, 2012, 2011, 2008, 2006, 1998 and 1996. Last year the U.S. finished in fifth place.

The U.S. Under-17 Team (2001 birth year) enters the 2017 World Under-17 Challenge with an 8-1-0-0 overall record. In last year's tournament the 2000s went 2-1-0-3 during its 2016 run in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. The U17s finished fifth while earning victories over the Czech Republic, Canada White and Canada Red.

Joel Farabee (Cicero, N.Y.) and Bode Wilde (Birmingham, Mich.) led the U17s offensively as Farabee collected four goals, two assists and six points in five games and Wilde recorded two goals, four assists and six points in five games. **Keegan Karki** (Sartell, Minn./Muskegon Lumberjacks) was between the pipes for all five games for the U17s collecting a 2.28 goals-againstaverage and a .894 save-percentage with a 3-2-0 record. The U17s have won the World Under-17 Challenge four times since 2001, last winning victory coming in 2014. During that tournament, the U.S. Under-17 Team went 6-0-0-0 in Cape Breton, Nova Scotia. The U17s overall record when competing in British Columbia is 8-0-2-1.

### **TEAM USA LEADERSHIP**

Jack Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) will serve as captain of the Under-17 Team during the 2017 World Under-17 Challenge while Cole Caufield (Stevens Point, Wis.) Case McCarthy (Clarence Center, N.Y.) and Alex Turcotte (Island Lake, III.) will serve as assistant captains.

#### **COACHING STAFF AT THE CHALLENGE**

John Wroblewski (Neenah, Wis.) will lead the U.S. in the event for the first time. Joining Wroblewski will be assistant coach Greg Moore (Lisbon, Maine), goaltending coach Thomas Speer (Janesville, Wis.) and intern assistant coach Kevin Lind (Homer Glen, Ill.). Moore was a member of the 2001 U.S. Under-17 World Hockey Challenge team that took first place.

### **INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE**

This tournament will be all 22-members' first international experience. The Under-17 Team will also compete in the Under-17 Four Nations tournament in Velikey Novgorod, Russia and the Under-17 Five Nations Tournament in Finland in February.

#### **ABOUT THE NTDP**

The pinnacle of amateur player development in the U.S., the NTDP scouts and selects the top 23 players in two age groups (Under-17 and Under-18) to train and develop in a highly competitive two-year program.

The teams (Under-17 and Under-18) face a rigorous domestic schedule including competition against older, more developed players.

The U17s play a majority of a 60-game junior schedule in the USHL, while the U18s face USHL, NCAA Division I and III opponents. Both squads also compete in several international events each season.

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Cameron Rowe(KAM-ih-RUHN ROW)

Cam York (KAM YOHRK)

Henry Thrun (HEHN-ree THR-UHN)

Ryan Siedem (RIGH-uhn SEED-um)

Spencer Knight (SPEHN-suhr NIGHT)

Alex Vlasic (AL-ehx vih-LASH-ihc)

Marshall Warren (MAR-shuhl WAHR-ihn)

Domenick Fensore (daw- mih-nihk fen-sore-ee)

Case McCarthy (KAY-se muh-KAHR -thee)

Drew Helleson (droo HELL-ih-SON)

Judd Caul eld (JUHD CAW-feel-d)

Owen Lindmark (O-ehn LIHND- MAHRK)

Jack Hughes (JAK HEWZ)

Danny Weight (DAN-ee WAYT)

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Patrick Moynihan (PAT-rihk MOY-ni-HAN)

Sean Farrell (SHAWN FAR-REL)

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Matthew Boldy (MA-thew BOLD-ee)

Michael Gildon (MIGH-kuhl GIL-don)

John Beecher (JAWN BEE-chur)

Trevor Zegras (TREH-vuhr ZEE-grus)

Cole Caufield (KOHL KAW-feel-d)



Overall13-1-0
Home3-0-0
Away3-0-0
Neutral7-0-0
NAHL Preseason3-0-0
USHL Regular Season
USHL Preseason
USHL Regular Season Home2-1-0
USHL Regular Season Away1-0-0
USHL Regular Season Neutral0-0-0
NCAA0-0-0
International5-0-0
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Coming of loss1-0-0
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One goal games0-0-0
Two goal games
Three goal games0-1-0
Four or more goal games13-0-0
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When outshot1-0-0
When shots are tied0-0-0
When having 0-9 shots0-0-0
When having 10-19 shots0-0-0
When having 20-29 shots1-0-0
When having 30-39 shots5-1-0
When having 40-49 shots 4-0-0
When having 50+ shots 3-0-0
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Scoring on the power play8-1-0
Scoreless on the power play5-0-0
Allowing a power-play goal4-1-0
Not allowing a power-play goal
Scoring a shorthanded goal
Allowing a shorthanded goal0-0-0
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On Friday
On Saturday 4-1-0
On Sunday
Mid-week games4-0-0
In September 3-0-0
In October5-1-0
In November 5-0-0
In December0-0-0
In January0-0-0
In February0-0-0
In March
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Ryder Rolston (Birmingham, Mich.)

Sean Farrell (Hopkinton, Mass.)



Additionally, the players face a daily routine of off-ice development that includes strength training, cross-training, cognitive skill testing and academics.

## **USHL COMPETITION**

The NTDP plays a full United States Hockey League season, split between the U.S. National Under-17 and Under-18 Teams.

The records for both teams are combined into one in USHL standings. At this point, the U17s are 3-1-0 in the USHL regular season while the U18s are 2-0-0, putting Team USA at third in the Eastern Conference.

## **RACKING UP POINTS**

Cole Caufield (Stevens Point, Wis.) and Jack Hughes (Orlando, Fla.) both currently sit in the top ten in points in the USHL. Both are members of the Under-17 Team.

Caufield currently leads the U17s with 19 goals in 14 games this season. Caufield has scored two goals in seven of 13 games. He is also second on the team with 27 points and tied for first in shots (31). Hughes is leading the U17s with 30 points in 14 games played and is averaging 2.50 points-per-game in four USHL games this season. His ten USHL points have him tied for first overall in the league. Hughes has six goals and nine assists in the last six games played after recording a goal and two assists in Team USA's win yesterday.

#### **YOUNG GUNS**

The U.S. National Under-17 Team currently has five of the top ten rookies points leaders in the USHL. Hughes leads rookies with his 10 points (3-7-10) followed by Caufield with nine (7-2-9).

Also on the list with five points through four games are: Michael Gildon (Plano, Texas) (4-1-5), Alex Turcotte (Island Lake, III.) (2-3-5), and Matthew Boldy (Millis, Mass.) (1-4-5).

#### **ALUMNI NHL UPDATE**

Clayton Keller (2014-16) is paving the way for NTDP alumni NHL rookies in his first season with the Arizona Coyotes. He currently leads all rookies in points with 15 (9-6-15) in 14 games. Keller was named NHL Rookie of the Month for October.

Fellow NTDP alum Will Butcher (2011-13) is close behind with 12 points (0-12-12) in 12 games with the New Jersey Devils.

Auston Matthews (2013-15/ Toronto Maple Leafs) is currently third in overall points leaders with 18 (10-8-18)in 14 games played and is tied for third place overall in goals with Alex Ovechkin with 10. He sits at number one overall in plus/ minus with +14.

### **COLLEGE BOUND**

Twenty of the 23 players on the Under-17 Team are currently committed to NCAA Division i college hockey programs. Thirteen of the 20 committed will be making their way to Boston after they graduate from the NTDP. Boston College leads the way with seven commitments followed by Boston University with three and Harvard University also with three commitments. The University of Wisconsin has two recruits while Quinnipiac University, University of Michigan, University of Nebraska-Omaha, University of North Dakota, and University of Notre Dame each with one recruit apiece.



# 🚰 Team USA Tournament History

YEAR 2016 - Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.	<b>GOLD</b> Sweden	<b>SILVER</b> Canada Black	BRONZE Russia	U.S. RECORD 2-1-0-3/5th Place
2015 - Dawson Creek, B.C.	Canada White	Russia	Sweden	3-0-1-1/ 6th Place
Nov. 2014 - Sarnia-Lambton, Ont.	Russia	USA	Sweden	5-0-0-1/ 2nd Place
Jan. 2014- Cape Breton, N.S.	USA	Pacific	Russia	6-0-0-0/ 1st Place
2013- Victoriavill/ Drummondville, Qbe.	Sweden	Russia	USA	4-1-0-1/ 3rd Place
2012- Windsor, Ont.	Russia	USA	Ontario	3-1-0-2/ 2nd Place
2011- Winnipeg/ Portage La Prairie, Man.	Ontario	USA	Pacific	4-1-0-1/ 2nd Place
2010- Timmins, Ont.	USA	Ontario	Sweden	5-1-0-0/ 1st Place
2009- Port Alberni, B.C.	Ontario	Pacific	USA	5-0-1-0/ 3rd Place
2008- London, Ont.	Ontario	USA	West	4-0-0-2/ 2nd Place
2006- Regina, Sask.	Quebec	USA	Pacific	3-2-1/ 2nd Place
2005- Lethridge, Alb.	West	Pacific	Atlantic	3-1-1/5th Place
2004- St. John's Newfoundland/ Labrador	Ontario	Pacific	Quebec	3-3-0/ 4th Place
2002- Selkirk/ Stonewall, Man.	USA	Pacific	Ontario	5-0-1/1st Place
2001- New Glasgow/ Truro, N.S.	USA	Pacific	Ontario	6-0-0/ 1st Place
2000-Timmis, Ont.	Russia	Ontario	Pacific	2-2-1/ 4th Place
1998- Kitchener, Ont.	Ontario	Czech Republic	USA	4-2-0/ 3rd Place
1997- Central Alberta	Ontario	Sweden	Quebec	1-4-0/ 9th Place
1995- Moncton, News Brunswick	Ontario	Finland	Quebec	2-2-1/7th Place
1994- Amos, Quebec	Quebec	USA	Pacific	3-1-2/ 2nd Place
1992- Sudbury, Ont.	Ontario	Quebec	Czechoslovakia	1-4-0/ 5th Place
1990 (Quebec Cup) - Quebec	Finland	Quebec	Soviet Union	4-1-0/5th Place
1986 (Quebec Esso Cup)- Quebec * (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)	Quebec	Soviet Union	Pacific	2-3-0/ 7th Place

# SA Hockey's International Notes

### **Four Nations Cup**

The 2017 Four Nations Cup will take place Nov. 7-12, in Wesley Chapel & Tampa, Florida, as part of The Time is Now Tour, presented by Toyota. The United States has captured the title seven times (1997, 2003, 2008, 2011-12, 2015-16), finished second 12 times and third in the 2013 tournament. Overall, the U.S. holds an overall record of 46-6-5-24-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) in 83 Three/Four Nations Cup games. HockeyTV will provide live streaming coverage of the tournament.

### **Under-18 Five Nations Tournament**

The U.S. National Under-18 Team will compete in the Under-18 Five Nations Tournament Nov. 8-11 in Hameenlinna, Finland. The Under-18 Five Nations and Four Nations tournaments are held twice a season. The U.S. has placed first in at least one of the two yearly events dating back to the 2007-08 season. Last year, the U.S. National Under-18 Team won both tournaments.

# 2017 USA Hockey Sled Classic, Presented by the NHL

The Minnesota Wild and Minnesota Hockey will host the eighth annual USA Hockey Sled Classic, presented by the NHL. The four-day event will take place Nov. 16-19, 2017, at the Plymouth Ice Center and include a record 28 NHL-associated teams representing a record 20 NHL member clubs. The Sled Classic is an annual round-robin format tournament between NHL-affiliated sled hockey teams which represent their associated NHL club by wearing official NHL licensed jerseys with local club marks and logos.

### The Time is Now Tour, Presented by Toyota

The U.S. Women's National Team will finish the Time Is Now Tour with two more U.S.-Canada games, on Dec. 3rd in St. Paul, Minn., and Dec. 15th in San Jose, Calif. Both games will be broadcast live on the NBC Sports Network.

# Boston To Host 2017 U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame

The 2017 U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Induction Celebration, which will feature the formal induction of the Class of 2017, will take place Wednesday, Dec. 13, at the Westin Boston Waterfront Hotel. The U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame Class of 2017 includes Kevin Collins, Jack Parker, Ben Smith, Ron Wilson and Scott Young. Also honored as part of the celebration will be Lester Patrick Trophy recipients Peter Lindberg and Dave Ogrean. To date there are 172 honored members. Tickets must be purchased in advance and can be obtained online at USHockeyHallofFame.com.

World Junior A Challenge

Team USA will attempt to defend its 2016 World Junior A Challenge title at the 2017 tournament in Truro, Nova Scotia, from Dec. 10-16. The U.S. Junior Select Team will include players that compete in the United States Hockey League, the lone Tier I junior hockey league in the U.S. Since the inaugural tournament in 2006, Team USA has captured seven

tournament crowns (2008, 2009, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016) along with three third-place finishes (dates).

### **World Sled Hockey Challenge**

The U.S. National Sled Hockey Team will compete alongside Italy, Korea and host Canada at the 2017 World Sled Hockey Challenge from Dec. 1-10, 2017 in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island. The United States is the three-time defending champion of the event, and holds a 31-4-1-12 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record in the event all-time.

### 2018 IIHF World Junior Championship

The 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation World Junior Championship will take place Dec. 26, 2017 – Jan. 5, 2018, at the KeyBank Center and HarborCenter in downtown Buffalo, New York. The U.S. National Junior Team will enter the tournament as the defending gold medalist. The U.S. and Canada will make history when the two rivals battle outdoors on Dec. 29 in a preliminary round game. The outdoor game, one of 31 total in the 2018 WorldJuniors, will be staged at New Era Field in Orchard Park, New York, home of the NFL's Buffalo Bills.

#### 2018 U.S. National Junior Team

Bob Motzko (St. Cloud, Minn./St. Cloud State University), who guided the U.S. National Junior Team to its fourth-ever gold medal at the 2017 International Ice Hockey Federation World Junior Championship in Montreal and Toronto, Canada, is returning as head coach for the 2018 U.S. National Junior Team. Motzko, who led the U.S. to a gold medal in his international head coaching debut, aims to lead the U.S. to back-to-back gold medal finishes for the first time ever. He will be joined by the entire 2017 U.S. coaching staff in assistant coaches Greg Brown, Grant Potulny, Kris Mayotte and Steve Miller.

#### IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship

The 2018 U.S. Women's National Under-18 Team will be looking for its fourth consecutive gold medal at the 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Women's World Championship in Dmitrov, Russia, from Jan. 6-13, 2018. Overall, the U.S. has captured gold six times (2008, 2009, 2011, 2015, 2016, 2017) and silver on four occasions (2010, 2012, 2013, 2014).

# **Olympic Winter Games**

The XXIII Olympic Winter Games will be held in PyeongChang, South Korea, from February 9-25, 2018. Both the Men's and Women's Olympic rosters will be unveiled on January 1, 2018.

Men: The 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team will compete from Feb. 14-25. Team USA's final 25-player roster will be comprised of college players, American Hockey Leaguers, and Americans playing professionally in Europe. Jim Johannson, assistant executive director of hockey operations for USA Hockey, is the general manager of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team, while Ben Smith is director of player personnel. Tony Granato will serve

as head coach and will be joined by assistant coaches Keith Allain, Chris Chelios, Ron Rolston and Scott Young. The U.S. Men's Olympic Team has won two gold medals (1960, 1980), eight silver medals (1920, 1924, 1932, 1952, 1956, 1972, 2002, 2010) and one bronze medal (1936) all-time in Olympic competition.

Women: The 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team will compete from Feb. 11-22. Reagan Carey, USA Hockey's director of women's hockey, is the general manager of the 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, with Robb Stauber serving as head coach, Bret Strot associate head coach and Paul Mara assistant coach. Since capturing gold in 1998, the U.S. has won three silver medals (2002, 2010, 2014) and one bronze medal (2006).

# 11th Annual Hockey Weekend Across America

The 11th annual Hockey Weekend Across America will be held March 2-4, 2018. Hockey Week Across America will feature a theme for each of the three days, including Wear Your Favorite Hockey Jersey Day on Friday (March 2); Try Hockey Day on Saturday (March 3) and Celebrate Local Hockey Heroes Day on Sunday (March 4). Hockey Weekend Across America was created by USA Hockey in 2008 to engage the hockey community in celebrating the sport of hockey at all levels and exposing the sport to new audiences.

### **Paralympic Winter Games**

The 2018 Paralympic Winter Games will take place in PyeongChang, South Korea, from March 9-18, 2018. Dan Brennan, USA Hockey's director of sled hockey, is serving as general manager, with Guy Gosselin as head coach and David Hoff assistant coach. The United States enters the Paralympic Winter Games as two-time defending Paralympic gold medalists. After going undefeated and unscored upon to claim the gold medal at the 2010 Paralympic Winter Games in Vancouver, British Columbia, Team USA became the first nation to claim back-to-back Paralympic gold medals in sled hockey when it defeated Russia, 1-0, in the gold-medal game of the 2014 Paralympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia.

## **IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship**

The U.S. Men's National Under-18 Team will be searching for its second consecutive gold medal, and fourth in five years, at the 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Men's World Championship from April 18-28 in Chelyabinsk & Magnitogorsk, Russia. The U.S. has captured a tournament record 14 consecutive medals including gold medals in seven of the last nine years (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, 2017).

## **IIHF Men's World Championship**

The 2018 International Ice Hockey Federation Men's World Championship will take place in Copenhagen and Herning, Denmark, from May 4-20, 2018. The U.S. has won a total of 11 medals in the event; winning gold once, silver four times and bronze six times.



# U.S. National Under-17 2017-18 Individual Stats

Skater													
#	Name	GP	G	Α	PTS	SOG	PPG	SH	PIM	+/-	GW	AVG PTS	5
43	Jack Hughes	14	10	20	30	31	3	1	8	6	3	2.14	
59	Cole Caufield	14	19	8	27	31	5	1	0	7	4	1.93	
49	Matthew Boldy	14	7	12	19	25	0	0	4	4	1	1.36	
48	Alex Turcotte	14	7	10	17	14	2	0	2	8	0	1.21	
41	Judd Caulfield	14	7	6	13	16	0	0	2	6	1	0.93	
47	Sean Farrell	14	3	9	12	18	2	0	0	7	1	0.86	
40	Drew Helleson	14	1	10	11	8	0	0	4	5	0	0.79	
44	Danny Weight	14	3	8	11	14	1	0	4	0	0	0.79	
36	Alex Vlasic	14	3	7	10	8	0	0	8	7	0	0.71	
51	Michael Gildon	14	4	6	10	12	0	0	6	4	0	0.71	
46	Patrick Moynihan	14	5	4	9	15	1	0	4	5	0	0.64	
53	Trevor Zegras	12	3	6	9	11	0	0	8	3	2	0.75	
33	Henry Thrun	13	1	7	8	9	0	0	4	5	0	0.62	
32	Cam York	13	3	5	8	6	1	0	2	10	0	0.62	
38	Domenick Fensore	14	0	7	7	4	0	0	6	3	0	0.50	
39	Case McCarthy	14	0	5	5	7	0	0	6	-2	0	0.36	
52	John Beecher	14	5	0	5	12	1	0	6	1	0	0.36	
42	Owen Lindmark	14	2	3	5	20	0	0	6	3	0	0.36	
45	Ryder Rolston	9	2	1	3	14	0	0	0	1	1	0.33	
37	Marshall Warren	13	0	2	2	18	0	0	2	0	0	0.15	
34	Ryan Siedem	14	0	1	1	6	0	0	2	6	0	0.07	
35	Spencer Knight	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0.00	
Goalie													
#	Name	GP	MIN	W	L	Т	SOL	SOG	SV	GA	GAA	SV %	SO
35	Spencer Knight	11	419:12	7	0	0	0	185	166	19	2.72	.897	0
31	Cameron Rowe	11	423:10	6	1	0	0	182	162	20	2.84	.890	0

# **U17 TEAM STATS**

**GOALS AGAINST PER GAME: 2.79 PENALTY MINUTES: 90 TEAM SAVES: 328** 

**POWER PLAY EFFICIENCY: 24.2% PENALTY KILL EFFICIENCY: 83.3% GOALS FOR:** 85 **GOALS AGAINST:** 39 **GOALS PER GAME:** 6.07

# 2017 World Under-17 Hockey Challenge Stats

Skater													
#	Name	GP	G	Α	PTS	SOG	PPG	SH	PIM	+/-	GW	AVG PTS	
59	Cole Caufield	4	3	5	8	0	1	0	0	0	2	2.00	
43	Jack Hughes	4	4	5	9	0	1	0	2	0	1	2.25	
48	Alex Turcotte	4	3	2	5	0	2	0	0	0	0	1.25	
41	Judd Caulfield	4	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0.33	
47	Sean Farrell	4	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0.25	
40	Drew Helleson	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
49	Matthew Boldy	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.00	
36	Alex Vlasic	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0.33	
51	Michael Gildon	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.33	
33	Henry Thrun	3	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.33	
44	Danny Weight	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0.75	
53	Trevor Zegras	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	4	0	1	0.75	
38	Domenick Fensore	4	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0.50	
39	Case McCarthy	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0.00	
46	Patrick Moynihan	4	2	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.50	
32	Cam York	4	1	2	3	0	0	0	2	0	0	0.75	
52	John Beecher	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0.00	
42	Owen Lindmark	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0.00	
37	Marshall Warren	4	0	1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0.33	
34	Ryan Siedem	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
Goalie													
#	Name	GP	MIN	W	L	T	SOL	SOG	SV	GA	GAA	SV %	SO
35	Spencer Knight	2	120:00	2	0	0	0	40	34	6	3.00	.850	0
31	Cameron Rowe	2	123:00	2	0	0	0	53	49	4	1.95	.925	0