



2019 U.S. WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM GAME NOTES

2019 RIVALRY SERIES | LONDON, TORONTO, DETROIT | FEB 12-17, 2019

GAME THREE • USA (1-0-0-1) VS. CANADA (1-0-0-1) • LITTLE CAESARS ARENA, DETROIT, MICHIGAN, USA • FEB. 17, 2019

TODAY'S GAME

The U.S. will face Canada tonight in its third and final game of the 2019 Rivalry Series, after splitting its first two games against its northern rival this week. The game will take place at 12 p.m. (ET) at Little Caesars Arena in Detroit, Michigan. Today's game will be broadcast live in the United States on NHL Network. Follow the updates on Twitter @USAHockey and join the conversation by using #RivalrySeries.

TEAM USA SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME (ET)
TUES., FEB. 12	CANADA London, Ontario Budweiser Gardens	W, 1-0 NHL Network
THURS., FEB. 14	CANADA Toronto, Ontario Scotiabank Arena	L, 4-3 NHL Network
SUN., FEB. 17	CANADA Detroit, Michigan Little Caesars Arena	12 P.M. NHL Network

RIVALRY SERIES

This week marks the first time that the U.S. and Canada has met in the Rivalry Series, a three-game series featuring action between two of the greatest rivals in women's ice hockey. Little Caesars Arena in Detroit is hosting the Series finale today, Sunday (Feb. 17), as part of Hockey Week Across America. The competition also featured games Feb. 12 in London, Ontario, and Feb. 14 in Toronto.

The Rivalry Series serves as an exciting precursor to the 2019 International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship, which will be held April 4-14 in Espoo, Finland.

In the opening game in London on Tuesday, **Hilary Knight** (Sun Valley, Idaho) scored the game-winning goal and **Alex Rigsby** (Delafield, Wis.) recorded a 33-save shutout to secure a hard-fought, 1-0 victory for Team USA. The U.S. created plenty of scoring chances throughout the game but was only able to break through with 1:28 remaining in the second period. Cameranesi found **Savannah Harmon** (Downers Grove, Ill.) at the top of the left circle and she fired a shot on goal that was turned away by Emerance Maschmeyer. Following the initial save, the rebound bounced out to Knight, who was waiting on the doorstep to put home the rebound. The U.S. would carry the 1-0 lead all the way to the final buzzer to win the Rivalry Series opener.

Canada struck back in game two, claiming a 4-3 win over the Americans in Toronto. **Alex Carpenter** (North Reading, Mass.), **Hannah Brandt** (Vadnais Heights, Minn.) and **Brianna Decker** (Dousman, Wis.) all registered goals, and **Katie Burt** (Lynn, Mass.) made her first national team start in goal, but the U.S. came up short.

MEDIA ACCESS

Team USA players and head coach Bob Corkum will be available for interviews in designated mixed zone areas following games and non-gameday practices. Media availability on day-of-game morning skates will be limited and by request only. Members of the media are not allowed in the U.S. dressing room at any time.

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TALKING POINTS

RECENT SUCCESS FOR THE U.S.

The U.S. and Canada have met in the championship of every major international tournament, including the Olympic Winter Games, International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship and Four Nations Cup championship games, dating back to the Sochi 2014 Olympics. The U.S. emerged victorious in eight out of 10 of those meetings, and came up just short in overtime in the only two losses.

YEAR	EVENT	FINISH	SCORE
2018	Four Nations Cup Final	W	5-2
2018	Olympic Gold-Medal Game	W	3-2, SO
2017	Four Nations Cup Final	W	5-1
2017	IIHF Women's Worlds GMG	W	3-2, OT
2016	Four Nations Cup Final	W	5-3
2016	IIHF Women's Worlds GMG	W	1-0, OT
2015	Four Nations Cup Final	W	3-2, OT
2015	IIHF Women's Worlds GMG	W	7-5
2014	Four Nations Cup Final	L	3-2, SO
2014	Olympic Gold-Medal Game	L	3-2, OT

TEAM USA AT A GLANCE

The U.S. roster for the 2019 Rivalry Series is made up of 22 postgraduate players hailing from nine different states across the country. The roster contains 13 forwards, seven defense and two goaltenders. **Kendall Coyne Schofield** (Palos Heights, Ill.) is serving as team captain for the U.S. in the Rivalry Series.

RETURNING OLYMPIANS

The roster features 14 members of the gold medal-winning 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, including **Kacey Bellamy** (Westfield, Mass.), **Hannah Brandt** (Vadnais Heights, Minn.), **Dani Cameranesi** (Plymouth, Minn.), Coyne Schofield, **Brianna Decker** (Dousman, Wis.), **Amanda Kessel** (Madison, Wis.), **Hilary Knight** (Sun Valley, Idaho), **Gigi Marvin** (Warroad, Minn.), **Sidney Morin** (Minnetonka, Minn.), **Amanda Pelkey** (Montpelier, Vt.), **Emily Pfalzer** (Buffalo, N.Y.), **Alex Rigsby** (Delafield, Wis.), **Haley Skarupa** (Rockville, Md.) and **Lee Stecklein** (Roseville, Minn.). In addition, three more Olympians are represented, including 2014 Olympic silver medalists **Megan Bozek** (Buffalo Grove, Ill.), **Alex Carpenter** (North Reading, Mass.) and **Shelly Picard** (Taunton, Mass.).

PROFESSIONAL HOCKEY IMPACT

All 22 players play professional women's hockey, 21 of which play in North American leagues and one (Morin) who plays in the Swedish Women's Hockey League. Fourteen U.S. players skate in the National Women's Hockey League and seven compete in the Canadian Women's Hockey League.

NEW TO THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE

Three players will make their debut with the U.S. Women's National Team this week, including goaltender **Katie Burt** (Lynn, Mass.), defender **Savannah Harmon** (Downers Grove, Ill.) and forward **Hayley Scamurra** (Williamsville, N.Y.). While Burt has experience wearing the USA sweater as a two-time member of the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team, both Harmon and Scamurra will see their first international action as members of Team USA this week.

FOUR NATIONS CUP CHAMPIONS

Twelve members of the U.S. Women's National Team that helped Team USA claim its fourth straight Four Nations Cup title in Saskatchewan last November will return to compete in the Rivalry Series. Those include Bellamy, Bozek, Morin, Pfalzer, Brandt, Cameranesi, Coyne Schofield, Decker, Kessel, Knight, Marvin and Rigsby.



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2019 TEAM USA RIVALRY SERIES ROSTER

NO.	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT TEAM
GOALTENDERS (2)							
33	Alex Rigsby	5-7 (170)	155 (70)	01/03/92	L	Delafield, Wis.	Calgary Inferno (CWHL)
41	Katie Burt	5-6 (168)	175 (79)	01/26/97	L	Lynn, Mass.	Boston Pride (NWHL)
DEFENSE (7)							
2	Lee Stecklein	6-0 (183)	170 (77)	40/23/94	L	Roseville, Minn.	Minnesota Whitecaps (NWHL)
8	Emily Pfalzer	5-2 (157)	125 (57)	06/14/93	R	Buffalo, N.Y.	Buffalo Beauts (NWHL)
9	Megan Bozek	5-8 (173)	176 (80)	03/27/91	R	Buffalo Grove, Ill.	Markham Thunder (CWHL)
22	Kacey Bellamy	5-7 (170)	145 (66)	04/22/87	L	Westfield, Mass.	Calgary Inferno (CWHL)
23	Sidney Morin	5-5 (165)	140 (64)	06/06/95	R	Minnetonka, Minn.	Linköping HC (SDHL)
27	Shelly Picard	5-4 (163)	150 (68)	05/27/93	L	Taunton, Mass.	Metropolitan Riveters (NWHL)
34	Savannah Harmon	5-3 (160)	148 (67)	10/27/95	L	Downers Grove, Ill.	Buffalo Beauts (NWHL)
FORWARDS (13)							
11	Haley Skarupa	5-6 (168)	140 (64)	01/03/95	R	Rockville, Md.	Boston Pride (NWHL)
14	Brianna Decker	5-4 (163)	148 (67)	05/13/91	R	Dousman, Wis.	Calgary Inferno (CWHL)
16	Hayley Scamurra	5-8 (173)	161 (73)	12/14/94	L	Williamsville, N.Y.	Buffalo Beauts (NWHL)
19	Gigi Marvin	5-8 (173)	162 (73)	03/07/87	R	Warroad, Minn.	Boston Pride (NWHL)
20	Hannah Brandt	5-6 (168)	150 (68)	11/27/93	R	Vadnais Heights, Minn.	Minnesota Whitecaps (NWHL)
21	Hilary Knight	5-11 (180)	172 (78)	07/12/89	R	Sun Valley, Idaho	Montreal Canadiens (CWHL)
24	Dani Cameranesi	5-5 (165)	155 (70)	06/30/95	L	Plymouth, Minn.	Buffalo Beauts (NWHL)
25	Alex Carpenter	5-7 (170)	155 (70)	04/13/94	L	North Reading, Mass.	Kunlun Red Star (CWHL)
26	Kendall Coyne Schofield	5-2 (157)	125 (57)	05/25/92	L	Palos Heights, Ill.	Minnesota Whitecaps (NWHL)
28	Amanda Kessel	5-6 (168)	130 (59)	08/28/91	R	Madison, Wis.	Metropolitan Riveters (NWHL)
32	Dana Trivigno	5-4 (163)	134 (61)	01/07/94	R	Setauket, N.Y.	Boston Pride (NWHL)
36	Zoe Hicikel	5-6 (168)	145 (66)	07/10/92	R	Anchorage, Alaska	Calgary Inferno (CWHL)
37	Amanda Pelkey	5-3 (160)	130 (59)	05/29/93	R	Montpelier, Vt.	Boston Pride (NWHL)

BY THE NUMBERS

AVERAGE HEIGHT	5ft. 6in.
TALLEST	Stecklein (6ft. 0in.)
SHORTEST	Pfalzer/Coyne-Schofield/ Pfalzer (5ft. 2 in.)
AVERAGE WEIGHT	150 lbs
HEAVIEST	Bozek (176 lbs)
LIGHTEST	Coyne Schofield/ Pfalzer (125 lbs)
SHOOT/CATCH	Left: 10 Right: 12
YOUNGEST	Burt (22)
OLDEST	Marvin (31)

HOME STATES (9)

MINNESOTA	5
MASSACHUSETTS	4
ILLINOIS	3
NEW YORK	3
WISCONSIN	3
ALASKA	1
IDAHO	1
MARYLAND	1
VERMONT	1

PROFESSIONAL TEAMS (9)

NWHL (14)	CWHL (7)
Boston Pride: 5	Calgary Inferno: 4
Buffalo Beauts: 4	Markham Thunder: 1
Minn. Whitecaps: 3	Kunlun Red Star: 1
Metro. Riveters: 2	Mtl. Canadiens: 1

SDHL (1)
Linköping HC: 1

2019 RIVALRY SERIES SCORING BREAKDOWN

NO	NAME	POS.	CAN W, 1-0 2/12	CAN L, 4-3 2/14	CAN 12 P.M. ET 2/17	SERIES TOTAL
2	Lee Stecklein	D	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
8	Emily Pfalzer	D	--	A	--	0-1 (1)
9	Megan Bozek	D	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
11	Haley Skarupa	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
14	Brianna Decker	F	--	G	--	1-0 (1)
16	Hayley Scamurra	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
19	Gigi Marvin	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
20	Hannah Brandt	F	A	G	--	1-1 (2)
21	Hilary Knight	F	W	AA	--	1-2 (3)
22	Kacey Bellamy	D	--	A	--	0-1 (1)
23	Sidney Morin	D	--	A	--	0-1 (1)
24	Dani Cameranesi	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
25	Alex Carpenter	F	--	P	--	1-0 (1)
26	Kendall Coyne Schofield	F	--	A	--	0-1 (1)
27	Shelly Picard	D	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
28	Amanda Kessel	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
32	Dana Trivigno	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
34	Savannah Harmon	D	A	--	--	0-1 (1)
36	Zoe Hicikel	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
37	Amanda Pelkey	F	--	--	--	0-0 (0)
33	Alex Rigsby	G	W, 60:00 33/33	--	--	1-0 (W-L) 0.00 GAA
41	Katie Burt	G	L, 58:00 26/30	--	--	0-1 (W-L) 4.00 GAA

KEY

G - GOAL
W - GAME-WINNING GOAL
U - UNASSISTED GOAL
P - POWER-PLAY GOAL
DNP - DID NOT PLAY

A - ASSIST
P* - PENALTY SHOT GOAL
A* - ASSIST ON GWG
S - SHORTHANDED GOAL
W* - SHOOTOUT GWG



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2019 RIVALRY SERIES U.S. COACHING STAFF



BOB CORKUM, HEAD COACH

Bob Corkum is serving as head coach of the U.S. Women's National Team for the 2018-19 season.

Corkum's first international tournament as head coach with the U.S. Women's National Team was the 2018 Four Nations Cup in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, where the U.S. women went undefeated en route to its fourth straight tournament title.

Previously, Corkum served as an assistant coach for the U.S. Under-22 Women's Select Team for the U-22 Series vs. Canada in Calgary in August and helped lead the U.S. to a three-game sweep.

Corkum's appointment to the U-22 select team staff marked his first coaching assignment for a U.S. team since leading the U.S. men into the 2013 Ivan Hlinka Memorial Tournament in Slovakia, where the team finished second.

Corkum previously served as an assistant coach for the New York Islanders from 2014-2017. A 12-year NHL veteran, Corkum joined the Islanders organization in July 2013 after spending five seasons as an associate coach at his alma mater, the University of Maine. Corkum helped the Black Bears qualify for the NCAA Tournament in 2012.

Corkum's NHL career began with the Buffalo Sabres in 1990 after being selected by the Sabres in the 3rd round, 47th overall in 1986. The Salisbury, Mass., native also spent time with the Mighty Ducks of Anaheim, Philadelphia Flyers, Phoenix Coyotes, Los Angeles Kings, New Jersey Devils and Atlanta Thrashers.

Prior to playing in the NHL, Corkum played four years at the University of Maine. As a senior in 1989, Corkum helped lead the Black Bears to a Hockey East Championship and a second-consecutive Frozen Four Appearance.

JOEL JOHNSON, ASSISTANT COACH

Johnson recently served as an assistant coach for the U.S. Women's National Team as it won four games in five days en route to its fourth consecutive tournament championship at the 2018 Four Nations Cup in November, marking his first appearance behind the bench for the team in international play. Previously, he led the U.S. Under-22 Women's Select Team to a three-game sweep at the Under-22 Series vs. Canada, serving as head coach alongside Corkum. Johnson also served as head coach for the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team from 2015-2018, helping the U.S. capture four consecutive gold medals at the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship, and in addition, has coached at numerous USA Hockey evaluation and training camps over the past five years. Now in his 14th season on the University of Minnesota coaching staff, Johnson has helped the Golden Gophers claim six national titles (2000, 2004, 2012, 2013, 2015, and 2016). He previously spent six seasons coaching at Bethel University from 2004-10, including three years as the men's hockey head coach.

BRIAN POTHIER, ASSISTANT COACH

Pothier receives his second coaching assignment with the U.S. Women's National Team after serving as an assistant coach during the 2018 Four Nations Cup. Pothier, alongside Corkum and Johnson, has served as a camp coach at the 2018 USA Hockey Women's Winter Training Camp in Plymouth, Mich., the U.S. Women's National Team Evaluation Camp in Biddeford, Maine, and the USA Hockey Women's National Festival in Lake Placid, N.Y. A former NHL defenseman and U.S. Men's National Team alumnus (2007 IIHF Men's World Championship), Pothier went undrafted in the NHL before signing with the Atlanta Thrashers in his senior year of college. He spent his first year in Orlando with Atlanta's farm team, the Orlando Solar Bears and went on to win both the Turner Cup and Rookie of the Year and American-born Rookie of the Year honors in 2000-2001. Pothier also spent time with the Ottawa Senators, Washington Capitals and Carolina Hurricanes organizations before retiring from hockey in 2012. Pothier now coaches all ages at Pothier BlueLine Hockey in Rochester, Mass.

STEVE THOMPSON, GOALTENDING COACH

Thompson is also making his second appearance as a coach with the U.S. Women's National Team after having been a member of the staff at the 2018 Four Nations Cup. Recently, he served as goaltending coach during the 2018 USA Hockey Women's Winter Training Camp in Plymouth, Mich. He has spent two years with USA Hockey as the Pacific District Associate Coach-in-Chief/Goaltending. The founder and head instructor at Alaska Goaltending Academy, LLC, Thompson played two seasons with the USHL's Sioux City Musketeers before graduating from University of Alaska Nanooks and moving on to coach at University of Alaska Anchorage where he spent two seasons as the team's goaltending/strength and conditioning coach.

TEAM SUPPORT STAFF

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USA HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

THIS WEEKEND IN DETROIT

The U.S. Women's National Team's game at Little Caesars Arena on Feb. 17, the Rivalry Series finale, highlights a weekend-long celebration of hockey in Detroit.

USA HOCKEY TAKING PART IN 2019 INTERNATIONAL ICE HOCKEY FEDERATION GLOBAL GIRLS GAME

Beginning Friday (Feb. 15) and concluding Sunday (Feb. 17), the IIHF hosted its fourth annual Global Girls Game, a worldwide initiative during which international hockey federations hosted games in succession around the world. USA Hockey joined in on the action with a continuous game running Feb. 15-17, featuring girls/women's games at varying age levels and concluding with the U.S. Women's National Team game against Canada on Sunday (Feb. 17) in Detroit.

GIRLS SKATING PARTY AT BELFOR

At noon ET on Saturday (Feb. 16), USA Hockey, in conjunction with the NHL, hosted a girls skating party at Belfor Training Center immediately following the U.S. practice. USA Hockey welcomed current local 8U and 10U girls players to bring a friend to come skate and also watch the U.S. women practice.

KICKING OFF HOCKEY WEEK ACROSS AMERICA (FEB. 17-24)

Hockey Week 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. The week-long initiative kicks off today (Feb. 17), with highlighted events including the U.S.-Canada women's game in the concluding game of the Rivalry Series, presented by TCF Bank, at Little Caesars Arena in Detroit and also the nine-plus hours of coverage on NBC Sports as part of Hockey Day in America. Each day of Hockey Week Across America has a theme, and for more information, please visit HockeyWeekAcrossAmerica.com.

OLYMPIC GOLD ANNIVERSARIES

Today marks the 21st anniversary of the United States capturing the inaugural Olympic gold medal in women's ice hockey at the 1998 Olympic Winter Games in Nagano, Japan, while Feb. 22 will mark exactly one year since the 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Hockey Team reclaimed gold in PyeongChang, South Korea, in thrilling shootout fashion.

CEREMONIAL PUCK DROP

As presenting sponsor of the Rivalry Series finale at Little Caesars Arena in Detroit, representatives from TCF Bank will be on hand to drop the ceremonial first puck.

MEET THE U.S. WOMEN

Select members of the U.S. Women's National Team will appear on the concourse of Little Caesars Arena immediately following its game for an autograph signing for fans in attendance. A ticket to the game will be required for access.

THE LATEST FROM USA HOCKEY

2019 WINTER WORLD UNIVERSITY GAMES

The U.S. Men's National University Team and U.S. Women's National University Team will take the ice in Krasnoyarsk, Russia, March 2-12 for the 2019 Winter World University Games. Comprised of players from the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA), both the men's and women's teams are compete every two years in the Winter World University Games. The U.S. women enter the 2019 tournament off its best finish since 2011, having finished third in 2017 in Almaty, Kazakhstan. Olympic champion Shelley Looney (Buffalo, N.Y.) is returning as head coach of the 2019 U.S. Women's National University Team for the second consecutive tournament, alongside returning assistant coaches Brett Berger (Springfield, N.J.) and Scott Hicks (Richmond, Ind.), while Roger Grillo (North Kingstown, R.I.) will lead the men alongside assistant coaches Nick Fabbrini (Forest Park, Ill.) and Eric Ballard (Grand Rapids, Minn.).

22ND ANNUAL PATTY KAZMAIER MEMORIAL AWARD

An award of The USA Hockey Foundation, the Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award is annually bestowed upon the top player in NCAA Division I women's ice hockey. The 2019 Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award will be presented on March 23 during a ceremony at Cascade Fine Catering in Hamden, Conn., adjacent to the campus of Quinnipiac University. Selection criteria for the award include outstanding individual and team skills, sportsmanship, performance in the clutch, personal character, competitiveness and a love of hockey. Consideration is also given to academic achievement and civic involvement. The award ceremony is part of the festivities associated with the NCAA Women's Frozen Four, which will take place at People's United Center in Hamden, Conn. For more information, such as sponsorship opportunities and tickets, please visit PattyKaz.com.

USA HOCKEY'S NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Founded in 1996, USA Hockey's National Team Development Program began operations in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and remained there until the summer of 2015. The full-time program is composed of two squads, the U.S. National Under-18 Team and U.S. National Under-17 teams, which compete in the USHL as well as against international and collegiate competition.

The Under-17 Team competes in the United States Hockey League and also participates in three international events annually. The U.S. National Under-18 Team's schedule includes games against NCAA Division I and III opponents, USHL teams as well as competition in three international tournaments.

USA HOCKEY ARENA

USA Hockey Arena, home of USA Hockey's National Team Development Program, is a two-sheet facility with regulation ice (85x200) in the main arena and Olympic-size ice (100x200) for the secondary sheet. Acquired by the USA Hockey Foundation on April 1, 2015, the facility has added 20,000 square feet to the property that included a 9,800-square-foot workout facility, additional offices and a conference center. In total, the facility encompasses 170,000 square feet with the main rink providing 3,504 seats for hockey games and 4,500 seats for other performances and events. Accompanying the facility is the USA Hockey Summer Drive-In, which has three large screens that show first-run double-features seven nights a week, as well as CJ's Brewing Company.