

**SWEDEN** 

2018 FOUR NATIONS CUP | SASKATOON, SASKATCHEWAN, CANADA | NOV. 6-10, 2018

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**TODAY'S GAME** 

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**GAME** 

Today is the first meeting between the U.S. and Sweden at the 2018 Four Nations Cup. The game will take place at 4 p.m. (ET) at SaskTel Centre in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Canada. Today's game will be streamed live on HockeyTV. com. Follow the updates on Twitter @USAHockey and join the conversation by using #FourNations. The two teams last met in the preliminary round of the 2017 Four Nations Cup in Wesley Chapel, Florida. **Kendall Coyne** (Palos Heights, III.) scored twice and **Nicole Hensley** (Lakewood, Colo.) recorded a shutout in the 5-0 win for the U.S.

USA

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# TALKING POINTS —

# **BACK FOR MORE**

Sixteen of the 23 skaters on the U.S. Women's National Team roster competed in the 2018 Olympic Winter Games with Team USA. Cayla Barnes (Eastvale, Calif.), Kacey Bellamy (Westfield, Mass.), Hannah Brandt (Vadnais Heights, Minn.), Cameranesi, Kendall Coyne Schofield (Palos Heights, III.), Brianna Decker (Dousman, Wis.), Kali Flanagan (Hudson, N.H.), Megan Keller (Farmington Hills, Mich.), Amanda Kessel (Madison, Wis.), Hilary Knight (Sun Valley, Idaho), Gigi Marvin (Warroad, Minn.), **Sidney Morin** (Minnetonka, Minn.), **Kelly Pannek** (Plymouth, Minn.), Pfalzer, **Alex Rigsby** (Delafield, Wis.) and Rooney helped lead the U.S. to its second-ever Olympic gold medal.

#### **LEADING THE WAY**

Three of those players find themselves atop the stat sheet so far in the Four Nations Cup. Cameranesi, Decker and Knight each have one goal and two assists to tie for a team-high three points. They also share the top position with Team USA rookie, Sydney Brodt (North Oaks, Minn.), who leads the U.S. in goals scored with two for a total of three points (2-1).

## **USA VS SWEDEN**

In the Four Nations Cup, Team USA has never lost to Sweden, holding an 18-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) record overall. The U.S. has shut out Sweden in seven of the last nine games over the last nine years, and holds a collective scoring advantage of 54-3. The last time these two teams met at the 2017 Four Nations Cup, Kendall Coyne (Palos Heights, III.) scored twice and Nicole Hensley (Lakewood, Colo.) recorded a shutout in a 5-0 win for the U.S.

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# **FRIENDLY FOES**

Today's match-up will be a special one for U.S. defender, Sidney Morin (Minnetonka, Minn.), who has played with a number of Swedes in her two years competing in the Swedish Women's Hockey League. Morin currently skates professionally for Linkoping HC, where she plays alongside Sweden's Pernilla Winberg, and last year with MODO Hockey, she played with Olivia Carlsson, Erika Grahm, Emma Soderberg, Celine Tedenby and Mina Waxin.

Morin said: It will be exciting to see some of my teammates on the opposing bench for the first time! You can meet so many incredible people and make lasting friendships through this sport, so it will be fun for all of us to play on the international stage together.

# CENTRE **TOURNAMENT IN REVIEW**

**NOVEMBER** 

2018

The U.S. has picked up two wins in as many games so far at the 2018 Four Nations Cup. First, the U.S. defeated Finland, 5-1, in its opening game of the tournament. Eleven members of Team USA contributed points in the victory, highlighted by Sydney Brodt (North Oaks, Minn.), Dani Cameranesi (Plymouth, Minn.), Brianna Decker (Dousman, Wis.) and Hilary Knight (Sun Valley, Idaho), who each registered two points apiece. Then, the U.S. came out on top of a hard-fought battle against Canada with a 2-1 win thanks to goals from Hannah Brandt (Vadnais Heights, Minn.) and the game-winner from Brodt with 1:38 remaining.

#### TEAM USA SCHEDULE —

DATE	<b>OPPONENT</b>	TIME (LOCAL/ET)
TUES., NOV. 6	FINLAND	W, 5-1
WED., NOV. 7	SaskTel Centre CANADA	W, 2-1
FRI., NOV. 9	SaskTel Centre SWEDEN	3 P.M./4 P.M.
SAT., NOV. 10	SaskTel Centre THIRD-PLACE GAME	3 P.M./4 P.M.
SAT., NOV. 10	SaskTel Centre CHAMPIONSHIP GAME	8 P.M./9 P.M.
	SaskTel Centre	

## **FINISHES SINCE 2003 -**

YEAR	LOCATION	FINISH	RECORD
2017	Tampa, Florida	First	4-0-0-0
2016	Vierumaki, Finland	First	3-0-0-1
2015	Sundsvall, Sweden	First	3-1-0-0
2014	Kamloops, British Columbia	Second	2-0-1-1
2013	Lake Placid, New York	Third	2-0-0-2
2012	Vantaa, Finland	First	3-0-0-1
2011	Nykoping, Sweden	First	2-1-0-1
2010	St. John's, Newfoundland	Second	2-1-1-0
2009	Vierumaki, Finland	Second	3-0-0-1
2008	Lake Placid, New York	First	2-1-0-1
2007	Leksand, Sweden	Second	2-0-0-2
2006	Kitchener, Ontario	Second	2-0-0-2
2005	Hameenlinna, Finland	Second	2-0-0-2
2004	Lake Placid, New York	Second	2-0-0-1-1
2003	Skovde, Sweden	First	4-0-0-0

# **MEDIA INFORMATION**

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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All media availability with U.S. team members must be arranged through Andrea Mazzarelli, who is on-site with the U.S. Women's National Team here in Saskatoon.



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NO.	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN	MOST RECENT TEAM
31 33 35	LTENDERS (3) Emma Polusny Alex Rigsby Maddie Rooney	5-9 (175) 5-7 (170) 5-5 (165)	164 (74) 155 (70) 145 (66)	03/16/99 01/03/92 07/07/97	L L L	Mound, Minn. Delafield, Wis. Andover, Minn.	St. Cloud State University (WCHA) Calgary Inferno (CWHL) University of Minnesota Duluth (WCHA)
DEFE 2	NSE (8) Mikaela Gardner	5-8 (173)	160 (73)	02/10/97	L	Plainfield, III.	University of Wisconsin (WCHA)
3 5	Cayla Barnes Megan Keller	5-2 (157) 5-11 (180)	138 (63) 165 (75)	01/07/99 05/01/96	R	Eastvale, Calif. Farmington Hills, Mich.	Boston College (HEA) Boston College (HEA)
6	Kali Flanagan	5-5 (165)	140 (64)	09/19/95	R	Hudson, N.H.	Boston College (HEA)
8	Emily Pfalzer Megan Bozek	5-2 (157) 5-8 (173)	125 (57) 176 (80)	06/14/93 03/27/91	R R	Buffalo, N.Y. Buffalo Grove, III.	Buffalo Beauts (NWHL) Markham Thunder (CWHL)
22 23	Kacey Bellamy Sidney Morin	5-7 (170) 5-5 (165)	145 (66) 140 (64)	04/22/87 06/06/95	L R	Westfield, Mass. Minnetonka, Minn.	Calgary Inferno (CWHL) Linköping HC (SDHL)
FOR	NARDS (12)						

**2018 TEAM USA FOUR NATIONS ROSTER** 

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11	Caitrin Lonergan	5-7 (170)	158 (72)	09/10/97
12	Kelly Pannek	5-8 (173)	165 (75)	12/29/95
14	Brianna Decker	5-4 (163)	148 (67)	05/13/91
15	Sydney Brodt	5-6 (168)	140 (64)	05/03/98
19	Gigi Marvin	5-8 (173)	162 (73)	03/07/87
20	Hannah Brandt	5-6 (168)	150 (68)	11/27/93
21	Hilary Knight	5-11 (180)	172 (78)	07/12/89
24	Dani Cameranesi	5-5 (165)	155 (70)	06/30/95
26	Kendall Coyne Schofield	5-2 (157)	125 (57)	05/25/92
27	Annie Pankowski	5-9 (175)	165 (75)	11/04/94
28	Amanda Kessel	5-6 (168)	130 (59)	08/28/91
39	Melissa Samoskevich	5-4 (163)	168 (76)	03/31/97

R	Roslindale, Mass.
R	Plymouth, Minn.
R	Dousman, Wis.
R	North Oaks, Minn.
R	Warroad, Minn.
R	Vadnais Heights, Minn.
R	Sun Valley, Idaho
L	Plymouth, Minn.
L	Palos Heights, III.
R	Laguna Hills, Ćalif.
R	Madison, Wis.
L	Sandy Hook, Conn.
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Boston College (HEA) University of Minnesota (WCHA) Calgary Inferno (CWHL) University of Minnesota Duluth (WCHA) Boston Pride (NWHL) Minnesota Whitecaps (NWHL) Montréal Canadiennes (CWHL) Buffalo Beauts (NWHL) Minnesota Whitecaps (NWHL) University of Wisconsin (WCHA) Metropolitan Riveters (NWHL) Quinnipiac University (ECAC)

#### BY THE NUMBERS

AVERAGE HEIGHT TALLEST	Keller/Knight (5ft. 11in.)
SHORTEST	Barnes/Coyne-Schofield/
	Pfalzer (5ft. 2 in.)
<b>AVERAGE WEIGHT</b>	152 lbs
HEAVIEST	Bozek (176 lbs)
	Coyne Schofield/
LIGHTEST	Pfalzer (125 lbs)
SHOOT/CATCH	Left: 9 Right: 14

#### HOME CTATES (10)

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MINNESOTA	8
ILLINOIS	3
WISCONSIN	3
CALIFORNIA	2
MASSACHUSETTS	2
CONNECTICUT	1
IDAH0	1
MICHIGAN	1
NEW HAMPSHIRE	1
NEW YORK	- 1

# **TEAM USA ALL-TIME FOUR NATIONS STAT LEADERS**

#### **SKATERS**

**GAMES PLAYED** Julie Chu (47) Hilary Knight (30) Brianna Decker (24) **GOALS ASSISTS** 

# **GOALTENDERS**

**GAMES PLAYED** Jessie Vetter (21) SV% (AT LEAST 3 GP) Sara DeCosta (.955) Jessie Vetter (15)

## 2018 TEAM USA FOUR NATIONS SCORING BREAKDOWN

NO	NAME	POS.	FIN 5-1, W 11/6	CAN 2-1, W 11/7	SWE 4 P.M. ET 11/9	TBD TBD 11/10	2018 FNC Total
2	Mikaela Gardner	D					0-0 (0)
3	Cayla Barnes	D	G				1-0 (1)
5	Megan Keller	D	Α				0-1 (1)
6	Kali Flanagan	D					0-0 (0)
8	Emily Pfalzer	D	Α				0-1 (1)
9	Megan Bozek	D					0-0 (0)
11	Caitrin Lonergan	F	Α				0-1 (1)
12	Kelly Pannek	F					0-0 (0)
14	Brianna Decker	F	GA	A*			1-2 (3)
15	Sydney Brodt	F	GA	W			2-1 (3)
19	Gigi Marvin	F					0-0 (0)
20	Hannah Brandt	F	Α	G			1-1 (2)
21	Hilary Knight	F	GA	Α			1-2 (3)
22	Kacey Bellamy	D					0-0 (0)
23	Sidney Morin	D					0-0 (0)
24	Dani Čameranesi	F	GA	Α			1-2 (3)
26	Kendall Coyne Schofield	F	Α	A*			0-2 (2)
27	Annie Pankowski	F					0-0 (0)
28	Amanda Kessel	D	Α				0-1 (1)
39	Melissa Samoskevich	F					0-0 (0)
31	Emma Polusny	G	DNP	DNP			0-0 (W-L)
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33	Alex Rigsby	G	0:00	W, 60:00			1-0 (W-L)
	5 - 7			23/24			1.00 GAÁ
35	Maddie Rooney	G	W, 60:00	0:00			1-0 (W-L)
			9/10				1.00 GAÁ

### 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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## 2018 FOUR NATIONS CUP U.S. TEAM STAFF



#### **BOB CORKUM, HEAD COACH**

Bob 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, who will serve as the U.S. Women's National Team head coach for the duration of the 2018-19 season, also 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. Among his accomplishments, he helped the Black Bears gualify for the NCAA tournament in 2012.

Corkum's NHL playing career began with the Buffalo Sabres in 1990 after being selected by the Sabres in the 3rd round (47th overall) in the 1986 NHL Draft. The Salisbury, Mass., native also spent time with the Anaheim Ducks, 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, he helped lead the Black Bears to a Hockey East championship and a second consecutive Frozen Four appearance.

### **JOEL JOHNSON, ASSISTANT COACH**

Joel Johnson, who recently led the U.S. Under-22 Women's Select Team into the Under-22 Series vs. Canada as head coach alongside Corkum, will make his debut as assistant coach of the U.S. Women's National Team at the 2018 Four Nations Cup. Johnson served as head coach for the U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team from 2014-2017, helping the U.S. capture four consecutive gold medals at the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship.

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**

Brian Pothier will be making his debut as a member of the coaching staff for the U.S. Women's National Team, having recently served as a camp coach at both the 2018 USA Hockey Women's National Festival in Lake Placid, N.Y., and the 2018 U.S. Women's National Team Evaluation Camp in Biddeford. Maine.

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.



**HOCKEY OPERATIONS:** John Vanbiesbrouck **HEAD COACH: Bob Corkum ASSISTANT COACH:** Joel Johnson **ASSISTANT COACH:** Brian Pothier **GOALIE COACH:** Steve Thompson STRENGTH & CONDITIONING: Connor Lyons **ATHLETIC TRAINER:** Katie Homan **ATHLETIC TRAINER:** Sheri Walters **MASSAGE THERAPIST:** Jennifer Chee **DIETICIAN:** Shelly Guzman **TEAM DOCTOR:** Jamie Schlueter Chris Demczuk **VIDEO COORDINATOR: EQUIPMENT MANAGER:** Logan Fischer **PLAYER DEVELOPMENT:** Kristen Wright **COMMUNICATIONS:** Andrea Mazzarelli

**BOTTOM ROW (L-R):** Alex Rigsby, Kendall Coyne, Dani Cameranesi, Amanda Kessel, Kelly Pannek, Hilary Knight, Gigi Marvin, Kacey Bellamy, Brianna Decker, Emily Pfalzer, Maddie Rooney and Emma Polusny

MIDDLE ROW (L-R): Head coach Bob Corkum, Assistant Coach Joel Johnson, Cayla Barnes, Kali Flanagan, Hannah Brandt, Caitrin Lonergan, Annie Pankowski, Megan Keller, Megan Bozek, Mikaela Gardner, Sydney Brodt, Sidney Morin, Melissa Samoskevich, Assistant Coach Brian Pothier and Goalie Coach Steve Thompson

**BACK ROW** (L-R): Massage therapist Jennifer Chee, player development manager Kristen Wright, strength and conditioning coach Connor Lyons, sports dietician Shelly Guzman, team physician Jamie Schlueter, athletic trainer Katie Homan, equipment manager Logan Fischer, athletic trainer Sheri Walters and communications manager Andrea Mazzarelli



