



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

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## TONIGHT'S GAME

The U.S. and Canada meet tonight in the final game of the 2019-20 Rivalry Series, a five-game competition between the two women's hockey superpowers. The U.S. has a three-games-to-one Series advantage. Opening faceoff is set for 7 p.m. PT at Honda Center in Anaheim, California. Tonight's game will be broadcast live in the U.S. on NHL Network. Follow updates on Twitter @USAHockey and join the conversation by using #RivalrySeries.

## LAST TIME OUT

The U.S. topped Canada, 3-1, in the fourth game of the 2019-20 Rivalry Series on Wednesday (Feb. 5) at Rogers Arena in Vancouver, British Columbia. **Dani Cameranesi**, **Hilary Knight** and **Hayley Scamurra** each scored in the win, and goaltender **Katie Burt** notched her first win as a member of the U.S. Women's National Team. Team USA had a 26-12 shots-on-goal advantage in the content.

## RIVALRY SERIES SCHEDULE

DATE	LOCATION	TIME (LOCAL/ET)
SAT., DEC. 14	HARTFORD, CONN. XL Center	W, 4-1 NBCSN
TUES., DEC. 17	MONCTON, N.B. Avenir Centre	W, 2-1 NHL Network
MON., FEB. 3	VICTORIA, B.C. Save-On-Foods Memorial Centre	OTL, 2-3 NHL Network
WED., FEB. 5	VANCOUVER, B.C. Rogers Arena	W, 3-1 NHL Network
SAT., FEB. 8	ANAHEIM, CALIF. Honda Center	7 P.M. / 10 P.M. NHL Network

## THE LATEST

### TIDBITS

**Alex Cavallini** will start in goal tonight. She played the opening game of the 2019-20 Rivalry Series and recorded 32 saves in a 4-1 win on Dec. 14 in Hartford, Conn. Cavallini also played in two of the three Rivalry Series games last season, including stopping 33 shots in a 1-0 victory on Feb. 12, 2019, in London, Ont., and recording 15 saves in a 2-0 loss to Canada in Detroit on Feb. 17, 2019 ... **Nicole Hensley**, **Sophia Shaver** and **Lee Stecklein** will not dress tonight ... **Alex Carpenter** is Team USA's leading point-getter in the 2019-20 Rivalry Series with 2-2--4, followed by **Amanda Kessel** (1-2--3) and **Hilary Knight** (2-1--3) ... The U.S. has outscored Canada by an 11-6 count in the first four games of the 2019-20 Rivalry Series. Canada has outshot the U.S. in three of the first four games but the U.S. has a 100-96 cumulative shots-on-goal advantage ... The U.S. is 3-for-17 on the power play in the 2019-20 Rivalry Series, while Canada is 2-for-18 ... Tonight's game is a homecoming for U.S. forward **Annie Pankowski** who grew up not far from the Honda Center. Some 200 family and friends will be in attendance tonight supporting her and Team USA ... U.S. head coach **Bob Corkum** was part of the original Mighty Ducks of Anaheim NHL team in 1993-94. He was a member of the Ducks for parts of three seasons (1993-96) ... U.S. soccer legend **Julie Foudy**, gymnast **Katelyn Ohashi** and this year's 21st Duck, **Lera Doederlein**, will drop tonight's ceremonial puck ... It is anticipated a crowd of 12,000-plus will be on tonight which will mark the most attended women's national team game ever in the U.S. The current record of 10,158 spectators was set on Jan. 6, 2002, when the U.S. faced Canada at Joe Louis Arena in Detroit ... USA Hockey executive director **Pat Kelleher** and vice president **Gavin Regan** will present the Rivalry Series championship trophy on the ice following tonight's contest ... USA Hockey is likely to name its roster for the 2020 IIHF Women's World Championship later this month. Team USA will gather for a training camp in Portland, Maine, beginning March 23 to prepare for the world championship, which is set for March 31-April 10 in Halifax and Truro, Nova Scotia ... USA Hockey hosted a women's leadership summit entitled: *Game On: Empowering Women in Hockey* over the past two days at the Honda Center. Some 75 female leaders within the sport from across the country attended and heard from an all-star panel of speakers, including Team USA captain **Kendall Coyne**. The summit attendees are at tonight's game ... Team USA's players will be participating in three youth clinics tomorrow morning at the Anaheim Ducks practice facility in Irvine, Calif. In addition, many of the U.S. players will be attending the U.S.-Canada CONCACAF women's Olympic soccer qualifying final between the U.S. and Canada at Dignity Health Sports Park in Carson, Calif., tomorrow afternoon.

## THINGS TO KNOW

### ABOUT THE RIVALRY SERIES

USA Hockey and Hockey Canada established the Rivalry Series last season to further showcase the women's national teams from the two hockey powerhouses. Canada won the inaugural series, 2-1. This season, the Rivalry Series includes five games. The U.S. has three of the first four games.

The Rivalry Series serves as a precursor to the 2020 International Ice Hockey Federation Women's World Championship, which will be held March 31-April 10 in Halifax & Truro, Nova Scotia.

### RETURN TO THE SERIES

Fifteen of the 23 skaters on Team USA's roster competed in last year's inaugural Rivalry Series. **Hilary Knight** (Sun Valley, Idaho) led the U.S. in scoring with three points (1G, 2A), and **Alex Cavallini** (Delafield, Wis.) notched a 1.02 goals against average and a .960 save clip in two games. In addition, 13 of the 23 skaters competed in the first portion of the 2019-20 Rivalry Series.

### TEAM LEADERSHIP

**Kendall Coyne Schofield** (Palos Heights, Ill.) is the captain of the U.S. team. She served in that capacity during the 2019 Rivalry Series and 2019 IIHF Women's World Championship. **Kacey Bellamy** (Westfield, Mass.) and **Hilary Knight** are serving as alternate captains.

## MEDIA ACCESS

Team USA players and head coach Bob Corkum will be available for interviews in designated mixed zone areas following tonight's game. Members of the media are not allowed in the U.S. dressing room at any time.

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NO	NAME	HT (CM)	WT (KG)	BIRTHDATE	S/C	HOMETOWN
<b>GOALTENDERS (3)</b>						
31	Katie Burt	5-6 (168)	175 (79)	01/26/97	L	Lynn, Mass.
33	Alex Cavallini	5-7 (170)	155 (70)	01/03/92	L	Delafield, Wis.
35	Nicole Hensley	5-6 (168)	155 (70)	06/23/94	L	Lakewood, Colo.
<b>DEFENSE (7)</b>						
2	Lee Stecklein	6-0 (183)	170 (77)	04/23/94	L	Roseville, Minn.
5	Megan Keller	5-11 (180)	165 (75)	05/01/96	L	Farmington Hills, Mich.
6	Kali Flanagan	5-5 (165)	140 (64)	09/19/95	R	Hudson, N.H.
8	Emily Matheson	5-2 (157)	125 (57)	06/14/93	R	Buffalo, N.Y.
9	Megan Bozek	5-8 (173)	176 (80)	03/27/91	R	Buffalo Grove, Ill.
22	Kacey Bellamy	5-7 (170)	145 (66)	04/22/87	L	Westfield, Mass.
34	Savannah Harmon	5-3 (160)	148 (67)	10/27/95	L	Downers Grove, Ill.
<b>FORWARDS (13)</b>						
7	Monique Lamoureux-Morando	5-6 (168)	155 (60)	07/03/89	R	Grand Forks, N.D.
11	Sophia Shaver	5-10 (178)	150 (68)	04/03/97	R	Wayzata, Minn.
12	Kelly Pannek	5-8 (173)	165 (75)	12/29/95	R	Plymouth, Minn.
14	Brianna Decker	5-4 (163)	148 (67)	05/13/91	R	Dousman, Wis.
17	Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson	5-6 (168)	155 (60)	07/03/89	R	Grand Forks, N.D.
20	Hannah Brandt	5-6 (168)	150 (68)	11/27/93	R	Vadnais Heights, Minn.
21	Hilary Knight	5-11 (180)	172 (78)	07/12/89	R	Sun Valley, Idaho
24	Dani Cameranesi	5-5 (165)	155 (70)	06/30/95	L	Plymouth, Minn.
25	Alex Carpenter	5-7 (170)	155 (70)	04/13/94	L	North Reading, Mass.
26	Kendall Coyne Schofield	5-2 (157)	125 (57)	05/25/92	L	Palos Heights, Ill.
27	Annie Pankowski	5-9 (175)	165 (75)	11/04/94	R	Laguna Hills, Calif.
28	Amanda Kessel	5-6 (168)	130 (59)	08/28/91	R	Madison, Wis.

### FROM PREVIOUS RIVALRY SERIES GAME NOTES

Team USA and staff traveled to the suburbs of Vancouver to join world champion, Olympian and USA Hockey legend **Cammi Granato** and her family for dinner at her home on Tuesday (Feb. 4) in Vancouver. The team watched NHL games, played a few rounds of basement soccer and had dinner. Granato and her family were at the game ... While at Great Park Ice and Fivepoint Arena in Irvine, California for training camp, Team USA joined the Anaheim Ducks of the National Hockey League (NHL) for a friendly scrimmage. The Ducks and the U.S. mixed teams for a quick five-on-five scrimmage before ending the skatearound with a shootout that closed with a bar-down shot from **Hilary Knight** ... The team bumped into figure skating duo **Alexa** and **Christopher Knierim** while in Irvine. The pair, who recently won gold in the free skate at the 2020 Toyota U.S. Figure Skating Championships in Greensboro, North Carolina, stopped to chat with players and take a photo before heading into the rink for their training ... U.S. soccer legends **Julie Foudy**, **Mia Hamm** and **Tisha Venturini** joined players and staff on the final day of camp in Irvine to share about their time as members of the U.S. Women's National Soccer Team and discuss the importance of camaraderie and teamwork ... The U.S. rounded out its training camp with a scrimmage against the 16U Jr. Ducks. **Hannah Brandt** (Vadnais Heights, Minn.) tallied two goals and **Alex Carpenter**, **Kendall Coyne Schofield** and **Hayley Scamurra** (Williamsville, N.Y.) added goals as the U.S. defeated the Jr. Ducks by a 5-3 count. All three goaltenders saw time in the net for the U.S., combining for 12 saves ... USA Hockey conducted its Women's National Team Training Camp in Irvine, California, last week. The team skated in practices and scrimmages Jan. 29-31 prior to traveling to Victoria, B.C. ... On Jan. 2, **Brianna Decker** became the first woman to win gold as both a player and a coach at the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championships. After winning gold at both the 2008 and 2009 tournaments as a player, Decker served as an assistant coach for the gold-medal winning U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team at the 2020 IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship in Bratislava, Slovakia. The team defeated Canada, 2-1, in overtime to earn its eighth gold

medal at the event ... U.S. forward **Annie Pankowski** was right at home at last week's camp in Irvine. The Laguna Hills, Calif., native grew up just down the road and played youth hockey with the Lady Ducks program ... Goaltender **Katie Burt** celebrated her 23rd birthday two days before training camp on Jan. 26. ... The U.S. has won gold at eight of the last nine IIHF Women's World Championships ... The U.S. and Canada have battled in the gold-medal game of every IIHF Women's World Championship and Olympic Winter Games staged, with just two exceptions (2019 World Championship, 2006 Olympics).

### NHL ALL-STARS

**Kacey Bellamy**, **Alex Carpenter**, **Alex Cavallini**, **Kendall Coyne Schofield**, **Brianna Decker**, **Amanda Kessel**, **Hilary Knight**, **Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson**, **Annie Pankowski** and **Lee Stecklein** faced a team comprised of the top women's players from Canada as part of a 3-on-3 game during the 2020 NHL All-Star Skills Competition at NHL All-Star Weekend in St. Louis, Mo last January. The 3-on-3 game consisted of two 10-minute periods with a running clock and the U.S. team was coached by **Cammi Granato**. Last year, Coyne Schofield became the first woman to compete in the NHL All-Star Skills Competition, posting a time of 14.346 in the fastest skater event.

### 2020 HOCKEY WEEK ACROSS AMERICA

USA Hockey's yearly nationwide initiative Hockey Week Across America, now in its 13th year, will take place from Feb. 16-23, 2020. The festivities begin on Feb. 16 with NBC Sports Hockey Day in America. The daily themes will include salutes to players (Feb. 17), coaches (Feb. 18), officials (Feb. 19) and local rinks (Feb. 20) followed by the traditional themed days of Wear Your Favorite Hockey Jersey Day (Feb. 21), Try Hockey Day (Feb. 22) and Celebrate Local Hockey Heroes (Feb. 23). For more information on the week-long celebration, visit [HockeyWeekAcrossAmerica.com](http://HockeyWeekAcrossAmerica.com).



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## U.S. COACHING STAFF



### BOB CORKUM, HEAD COACH

Bob Corkum is in his second season serving as head coach of the U.S. Women's National Team. Most recently, Corkum led the U.S. Women's National Team to its fifth consecutive gold medal at the IIHF Women's World Championship in 2019 in Espoo, Finland. The team went undefeated in the tournament, outscoring its opponents 41-5.

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 U22 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 is serving as assistant coach of the U.S. Women's National Team. He served in the same role during the 2018-19 season, his first year in that capacity. Johnson made his debut at the 2018 Four Nations Cup in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, where the U.S. earned its fourth consecutive tournament championship, and also helped guide the U.S. to its fifth straight gold medal at the 2019 IIHF Women's World Championship in Espoo, Finland. Earlier last season, Johnson helped lead the U.S. Under-22 Women's Select Team to a three-game sweep of its northern rival at the 2018 U22 Series vs. Canada in Calgary. A long-time contributor to the U.S. women's program, he also previously served as head coach of 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. Entering in his 15th 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 is serving as assistant coach of the U.S. Women's National Team. He served in the same role for the first time at the 2018 Four Nations Cup in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, where the U.S. captured its fourth consecutive tournament championship. He also helped lead the team to its fifth consecutive gold medal in the 2019 IIHF Women's World Championship in Espoo, Finland. Pothier served as a camp coach at both the 2018 and 2019 USA Hockey Women's National Festivals 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.

### BRIANNE McLAUGHLIN-BITTLE, GOALTENDING COACH

McLaughlin-Bittle is serving as goaltending coach for the U.S. Women's National Team. Most recently, she served as a goalie coach at the 2019 U.S. Women's National Festival in Lake Placid, New York. She also lent her expertise to USA Hockey's top goalie camp the past two years, plus the girls' Under-18 camp and the boys' Under-17 camp earlier this summer. As a player, McLaughlin-Bittle was part of Team USA for the U22 Series against Canada in 2008. A two-time Olympic silver medalist, McLaughlin-Bittle played goalie for the U.S. in the 2010 and 2014 Olympic Winter Games. McLaughlin-Bittle played four seasons (2005-09) of college hockey for Robert Morris University and finished her career with a .910 save percentage in 120 career games. Additionally, she finished with the most career saves in NCAA Division I history. She also served as an assistant coach at RMU from 2011-13. Following her time with the U.S. Women's National Team, McLaughlin-Bittle played two seasons for the Buffalo Beauts of the National Women's Hockey League, leading the team to the Isobel Cup league championship in 2016-17.

## TEAM SUPPORT STAFF

**DIRECTOR, WNT PROGRAMS:**  
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**STRENGTH & CONDITIONING COACH:**  
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## 2019-20 RIVALRY SERIES GAME-BY-GAME SCORING

No	Name	POS.	CAN W, 4-1 12/14	CAN W, 2-1 12/17	CAN L, 2-3 OT 02/03	CAN W, 3-1 02/05	CAN Anaheim 02/08	2019-20 Rivalry Series TOTALS
2	Lee Stecklein	D	A	--	--	--	--	0-1--1
3	Cayla Barnes	D	--	--	DND	DND	--	0-0--0
5	Megan Keller	D	P	--	--	--	--	1-0--1
6	Kali Flanagan	D	DND	DND	DND	--	--	0-0--0
7	Monique Lamoureux-Morando	F	DND	DND	--	--	--	0-0--0
8	Emily Matheson	D	A	--	--	--	--	0-1--1
9	Megan Bozek	D	--	DND	--	--	--	0-0--0
11	Abby Roque	F	G	G	DND	DND	--	2-0--2
11	Sophia Shaver	F	DND	DND	DND	--	--	0-0--0
12	Kelly Pannek	F	A*A	A*	A	--	--	0-2--2
14	Brianna Decker	F	INJ	INJ	--	A	--	0-1--1
15	Sydney Brodt	F	--	--	DND	DND	--	0-0--0
16	Britta Curl	F	A	--	DND	DND	--	0-1--1
16	Hayley Scamurra	F	DND	DND	--	WA	--	1-1--2
17	Jocelyne Lamoureux-Davidson	F	DND	DND	--	--	--	0-0--0
18	Jesse Compber	F	--	--	DND	DND	--	0-0--0
20	Hannah Brandt	F	DND	DND	--	A*A	--	0-2--2
21	Hilary Knight	F	--	--	P	EA*	--	2-1--3
22	Kacey Bellamy	D	--	A	--	--	--	0-1--1
24	Dani Cameranesi	F	--	--	A	G	--	1-1--2
25	Alex Carpenter	F	GA*	W	A	--	--	2-2--4
26	Kendall Coyne-Schofield	F	--	--	--	A	--	0-1--1
27	Annie Pankowski	F	A	--	--	DND	--	0-1--1
28	Amanda Kessel	F	W(PA)	A*	--	--	--	1-2--3
32	Kelly Browne	F	--	DND	DND	DND	--	0-0--0
34	Savannah Harmon	D	DND	DND	G	DND	--	1-0--1
38	Clair DeGeorge	F	DND	--	DND	DND	--	0-0--0
39	Natalie Buchbinder	D	DND	A	DND	DND	--	0-1--1
31	Katie Burt	G	DND	DND	DND	W (60:00) 11/12	--	1-0 (W-L) 1.00 GAA
31	Aerin Frankel	G	DNP	W (60:00) 27/28	DND	DND	--	1-0 (W-L) 1.00 GAA
33	Alex Cavallini	G	W (60:00) 32/33	DND	DNP	DNP	--	1-0 (W-L) 1.00 GAA
35	Nicole Hensley	G	DND	DND	L (63:22) 20/23	DND	--	0-1 (W-L) 2.84 GAA
35	Maddie Rooney	G	DNP	DNP	DND	DND	--	0-0 (W-L) 0.00 GAA

G - goal  
A - assist  
P - powerplay goal

S - shorthanded goal  
P\* - penalty shot  
U - unassisted goal

W - game-winning goal  
A\* - assist on game-winning goal  
# - U.S. Player of the Game

DNP - did not play  
DND - did not dress