



2020 U.S. NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM GAME NOTES

2020 IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP | OSTRAVA & TRINEC, CZECH REPUBLIC | DEC. 26, 2019 - JAN. 5, 2020

PRELIMINARY GAME #1 • USA (0-0-0-0) VS. CANADA (0-0-0-0) • OSTRAVA, CZECH REPUBLIC • OSTRAVAR ARENA • DECEMBER 26, 2019

U.S.-CANADA RIVALRY

The U.S. is on a four-game win streak against Canada in the IIHF World Junior Championship, including back-to-back shootout wins. U.S. and Canada squared off outdoors in Buffalo, N.Y., during the 2018 IIHF World Junior Championship, resulting in a 4-3 shootout win as **Kieffer Bellows** scored twice, and again in the shootout. The year prior, the U.S. beat Canada in a 5-4 shootout to win the gold medal, after defeating their rivals 3-1 in the preliminary round.

| DATE | ROUND | W-OTW-OTL-L | GF | GA |
|----------|-------------------|-------------|----|----|
| 12/29/17 | Preliminary Round | OTW* | 4 | 3 |
| 1/5/17 | Gold-Medal Game | OTW* | 5 | 4 |
| 12/31/16 | Preliminary Round | W | 3 | 1 |
| 12/26/15 | Preliminary Round | W | 4 | 2 |
| 12/31/14 | Preliminary Round | L | 3 | 5 |

*shootout win

TALKING POINTS

10 YEARS AGO

The 2010 U.S. National Junior Team compiled a 3-0-0-1 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record in preliminary play prior to winning a gold medal in Saskatoon, Canada. **John Carlson** scored the overtime-winning goal in the gold medal game to give USA a 6-5 win over Canada. **Jack Campbell** stepped into netminding duties in the second period, and went on to stop 32 of 34 shots. **Derek Stepan**, whose 15 points led the tournament, was named Team USA's Player of the Game.

COLLEGE HOCKEY

A total of 20 of the 23 players listed on the U.S. National Junior Team roster currently or previously played college hockey, including eight in the Big Ten Conference. Full school and conference breakdown available on page 6 of these game notes.

FAMILIAR FACES

All total, 12 players on the U.S. National Junior Team roster previously played for USA Hockey's National Team Development Program in Plymouth, Mich., at USA Hockey Arena, including **John Beecher** (2017-19), **Cole Caufield** (2017-19), **Ty Emberson** (2016-18), **Spencer Knight** (2017-19), **K'Andre Miller** (2016-18), **Jacob Pivonka** (2016-18), **Mattias Samuelsson** (2016-18), **Spencer Stastney** (2016-18), **Alex Turcotte** (2017-19), **Oliver Wahlstrom** (2016-18), **Cam York** (2017-19) and **Trevor Zegras** (2017-19).

RECORD SETTERS

The U.S. National Junior Team features three record-setting NTDP players: a forward, defenseman and goaltender. **Cole Caufield** set the NTDP goal-scoring records for single season (72) in 2018-19 and career goals scored (126), 2017-19. Previous record holders were **Auston Matthews** (55) and **Phil Kessel** (104). Caufield is third all-time at the NTDP with 180 career points. At the 2019 Under-18 Men's World Championship, Caufield tied **Alex Ovechkin's** tournament record for most goals in single tournament (14). **Cam York** owns the NTDP record for points by a defenseman in a single season (65 in 2018-19) and is second all-time at the NTDP in career points by a defenseman (103), 2017-19. Additionally, York set all-time marks at the Under-18 Men's World Championship including career points by a defenseman (17) and career assists by a defenseman (13). **Spencer Knight** set the NTDP record for most wins in a career by a goaltender (59) from 2017-19, and was T-1st for most wins in a single season (32) after his 2018-19 campaign.

HOLIDAY CELEBRATION

The U.S. National Junior Team celebrated the holidays on Christmas Eve in Ostrava. Players enjoyed a steak dinner before hosting a private Christmas party. Athletic trainer Stan Wong dressed up as Santa Clause and delivered gifts to all of the players.

TIBDITS

Defenseman **Mattias Samuelsson** is serving as captain of the 2020 U.S. National Junior Team, while defenseman **K'Andre Miller** and forward **Oliver Wahlstrom** are the team's alternate captains ... The U.S. played two pre-tournament games. On Dec. 22, Team USA rallied from a 3-0 deficit on its way to a 6-4 win over Sweden. **Nick Robertson**, who tallied twice, was among five U.S. goal scorers. The next day (Dec. 23), thanks to four goals from **Cole Caufield**, the U.S. gained a 7-1 victory over Germany ... The United States enters the 2020 IIHF World Junior Championship having won its last 13 tournament-opening games, a stretch that dates back to the 2007 event in Mora and Leksand, Sweden.

U.S. GAME SCHEDULE

| DATE | OPPONENT | TIME (LOCAL/ET) |
|---|--|------------------------|
| SUN., DEC. 22 Cesky Tesin, Czech Republic | SWEDEN* Cesky Tesin | W, 6-4 |
| MON., DEC. 23 Havirov, Czech Republic | GERMANY* Havirov Arena | W, 7-1 |
| THURS., DEC. 26 Ostrava, Czech Republic | CANADA Ostravar Arena | 7:00 PM/1:00 PM |
| FRI., DEC. 27 Ostrava, Czech Republic | GERMANY Ostravar Arena | 7:00 PM/1:00 PM |
| SUN., DEC. 29 Ostrava, Czech Republic | RUSSIA Ostravar Arena | 7:00 PM/1:00 PM |
| MON., DEC. 30 Ostrava, Czech Republic | CZECH REPUBLIC Ostravar Arena | 7:00 PM/1:00 PM |
| THURS., JAN. 2 TBD | QUARTERFINALS TBD | TBD |
| SAT., JAN. 4 Ostrava, Czech Republic | SEMIFINALS Ostravar Arena | TBD |
| SUN., JAN. 5 Ostrava, Czech Republic | BRONZE-MEDAL GAME Ostravar Arena | 3:00 PM/9:00 AM |
| SUN., JAN. 5 Ostrava, Czech Republic | GOLD-MEDAL GAME Ostravar Arena | 7:00 PM/1:00 PM |

*Pre-tournament game All U.S. tournament games will be televised live on NHL Network

TEAM USA AT THE WORLD JUNIORS

Entering the 2020 IIHF World Junior Championship, the U.S. holds an all-time event record of 140-9-6-116-11 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T) and has earned 12 podium finishes, including four gold medals (2004, 2010, 2013, 2017), two silver medals (1997, 2019) and six bronze medals (1986, 1992, 2007, 2011, 2016, 2018). The U.S. has medaled in seven of the last ten years, including the last four years (gold - 2017; silver - 2019; bronze - 2018, 2016), the first time it has accomplished the feat in U.S. history. Additionally, Team USA's three gold medals since 2010 (2010, 2013, 2017) are tied with Finland for the most of any nation. In each of the last four IIHF World Junior Championships, a U.S. player has earned Media All-Star Team honors, including **Ryan Poehling** (2019), **Casey Mittelstadt** and **Kieffer Bellows** (2018), **Clayton Keller** and **Charlie McAvoy** (2017), and **Auston Matthews** and **Zach Werenski** (2016). Poehling (Forward), Mittelstadt (Forward) and Werenski (Defense) were also tabbed with Directorate Awards.

MEDIA INFORMATION

All U.S. National Junior Team players, as well as head coach Scott Sandelin, will be available for interviews in designated media areas following practices and games. 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 Aaron Westendorf, who is on-site with Team USA throughout the event.

ONLINE MEDIA GUIDE

TEAMUSA.USAHOCKEY.COM/WORLDJUNIORS2020

Team USA information, including bios, team schedule, news and team history are available at the official website of USA Hockey's national teams.



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2020 U.S. NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM PRELIMINARY ROSTER

| NO. | NAME | HT (CM) | WT (KG) | BIRTHDATE | S/C | HOMETOWN | CURRENT TEAM (LEAGUE) | NHL RIGHTS (NHL DRAFT) |
|------------------------|-------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----|-----------------------|---|-----------------------------------|
| GOALTENDERS (3) | | | | | | | | |
| 30 | Spencer Knight* | 6-3 (191) | 194 (88) | 04/19/2001 | L | Darien, Conn. | Boston College (HEA) | FLA ('19, 1st rd., 13th overall) |
| 31 | Isaiah Saville | 6-1 (185) | 181 (82) | 09/21/2000 | R | Anchorage, Alaska | University of Nebraska Omaha (NCHC) | VGK ('19, 5th rd., 135th overall) |
| 32 | Dustin Wolf | 6-0 (183) | 161 (73) | 04/16/2001 | L | Gilroy, Calif. | Everett Silvertips (WHL) | CGY ('19, 7th rd., 214th overall) |
| DEFENSEMEN (7) | | | | | | | | |
| 21 | Ty Emberson | 6-1 (185) | 194 (88) | 05/24/2000 | R | Eau Claire, Wis. | University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | ARI ('18, 3rd rd., 73rd overall) |
| 2 | Jordan Harris | 5-11 (180) | 179 (81) | 07/07/2000 | L | Haverhill, Mass. | Northeastern University (HEA) | MTL ('18, 3rd rd., 71st overall) |
| 6 | Zac Jones | 5-10 (178) | 176 (80) | 10/18/2000 | L | Glen Allen, Va. | University of Massachusetts Amherst (HEA) | NYR ('19, 3rd rd., 68th overall) |
| 19 | K'Andre Miller* (A) | 6-4 (193) | 207 (94) | 01/21/2000 | L | Minnetonka, Minn. | University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | NYR ('18, 1st rd., 22nd overall) |
| 24 | Mattias Samuelsson* (C) | 6-4 (193) | 220 (100) | 03/14/2000 | L | Voorhees, N.J. | Western Michigan University (NCHC) | BUF ('18, 2nd rd., 32nd overall) |
| 7 | Spencer Stastney | 5-10 (178) | 179 (81) | 01/04/2000 | L | Mequon, Wis. | University of Notre Dame (Big Ten) | NSH ('18, 5th rd., 131st overall) |
| 4 | Cam York | 5-11 (180) | 172 (78) | 01/05/2001 | L | Anaheim Hills, Calif. | University of Michigan (Big Ten) | PHI ('19, 1st rd., 14th overall) |
| FORWARDS (13) | | | | | | | | |
| 17 | John Beecher | 6-3 (191) | 209 (95) | 04/05/2001 | L | Elmira, N.Y. | University of Michigan (Big Ten) | BOS ('19, 1st rd., 30th overall) |
| 23 | Bobby Brink | 5-8 (173) | 165 (75) | 07/08/2001 | R | Minnetonka, Minn. | University of Denver (NCHC) | PHI ('19, 2nd rd., 34th overall) |
| 13 | Cole Caufield | 5-7 (170) | 163 (74) | 01/02/2001 | R | Stevens Point, Wis. | University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | MTL ('19, 1st rd., 15th overall) |
| 12 | Jack Drury* | 6-0 (183) | 179 (81) | 02/03/2000 | L | Winnetka, Ill. | Harvard University (ECAC) | CAR ('18, 2nd rd., 42nd overall) |
| 20 | Parker Ford | 6-0 (183) | 176 (80) | 07/20/2000 | R | Wakefield, R.I. | Providence College (HEA) | 2020 NHL Draft Eligible |
| 10 | Curtis Hall | 6-3 (191) | 196 (89) | 04/26/2000 | R | Chagrin Falls, Ohio | Yale University (ECAC) | BOS ('18, 4th rd., 119th overall) |
| 28 | Arthur Kaliyev | 6-2 (188) | 190 (86) | 06/26/2001 | L | Staten Island, N.Y. | Hamilton Bulldogs (OHL) | LAK ('19, 2nd rd., 33rd overall) |
| 22 | Shane Pinto | 6-2 (188) | 192 (82) | 11/12/2000 | R | Franklin Square, N.Y. | University of North Dakota (NCHC) | OTT ('19, 2nd rd., 32nd overall) |
| 25 | Jacob Pivonka | 5-11 (180) | 198 (90) | 02/28/2000 | L | Naperville, Ill. | University of Notre Dame (Big Ten) | NYI ('18, 4th rd., 103rd overall) |
| 16 | Nick Robertson | 5-9 (175) | 161 (73) | 09/11/2001 | L | Northville, Mich. | Peterborough Petes (OHL) | TOR ('19, 2nd rd., 53rd overall) |
| 15 | Alex Turcotte | 5-11 (180) | 185 (84) | 02/26/2001 | L | Chicago, Ill. | University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | LAK ('19, 1st rd., 5th overall) |
| 18 | Oliver Wahlstrom* (A) | 6-1 (185) | 205 (93) | 06/13/2000 | R | Quincy, Mass. | Bridgeport Sound Tigers (AHL) | NYI ('18, 1st rd., 11th overall) |
| 9 | Trevor Zegras | 6-0 (183) | 174 (79) | 03/20/2001 | L | Bedford, N.Y. | Boston University (HEA) | ANA ('19, 1st rd., 9th overall) |

*2019 U.S. National Junior Team silver medalist

2020 U.S. NATIONAL JUNIOR TEAM GAME-BY-GAME SCORING

| TIME (ET) | | | SWE [^] | GER [^] | CAN | GER | RUS | CZE | QF | SF | MEDAL | 2020 |
|-----------|--------------------|------|------------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| NO | NAME | POS. | W, 6-4 | W, 7-1 | 1:00 P.M. | 1:00 P.M. | 1:00 P.M. | 1:00 P.M. | TBD | TBD | TBD | WJC |
| | | | 12/22 | 12/23 | 12/26 | 12/27 | 12/29 | 12/30 | 01/02 | 01/04 | 01/05 | TOTAL |
| 2 | Jordan Harris | D | DND | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 4 | Cam York | D | -- | A | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 6 | Zac Jones | D | -- | A | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 7 | Spencer Stastney | D | AA | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 9 | Trevor Zegras | F | -- | DND | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 10 | Curtis Hall | F | G | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 12 | Jack Drury | F | DND | G | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 13 | Cole Caufield | F | G | PG*GP | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 15 | Alex Turcotte | F | -- | AA | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 16 | Nick Robertson | F | GP*A | GA | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 17 | John Beecher | F | A | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 18 | Oliver Wahlstrom | F | -- | G | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 19 | K'Andre Miller | D | G | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 20 | Parker Ford | F | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 21 | Ty Emberson | D | -- | AAA | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 22 | Shane Pinto | F | GA* | A | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 23 | Bobby Brink | F | A | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 24 | Mattias Samuelsson | D | DND | A | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 25 | Jacob Pivonka | F | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 28 | Arthur Kaliyev | F | -- | A | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (0) |
| 30 | Spencer Knight | G | (30:15) | W (60:00) | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (W-L) |
| | | | --/-- | --/-- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0.00 GAA |
| 31 | Isaiah Saville | G | DND | DND | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (W-L) |
| | | | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0.00 GAA |
| 32 | Dustin Wolf | G | W (29:45) | DNP | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0-0 (W-L) |
| | | | --/-- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | -- | 0.00 GAA |

Key: For complete statistics, visit: <https://www.iihf.com/en/events/2020/wm20>

G - goal
A - assist
U - unassisted goal
P* - penalty shot goal

P - powerplay goal
S - shorthanded goal
G* - game-winning goal
A* - assist on game-winning goal

DNP - did not play
DND - did not dress
^ - exhibition game



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ROSTER DETAILS

HOME STATES (13)

| | |
|---------------|---|
| New York | 4 |
| Illinois | 3 |
| Wisconsin | 3 |
| California | 2 |
| Massachusetts | 2 |
| Minnesota | 2 |
| Alaska | 1 |
| Connecticut | 1 |
| Michigan | 1 |
| New Jersey | 1 |
| Ohio | 1 |
| Rhode Island | 1 |
| Virginia | 1 |

AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT TIES+

| | |
|----------------------------|----|
| NCAA | 20 |
| USHL | 20 |
| NTDP | 12 |
| BIOSTEEL ALL-AMERICAN GAME | 19 |

*Includes players who have skated in multiple leagues

BY THE NUMBERS

| | |
|----------------|-----------------------------|
| Average Height | 6ft 0in (184 cm) |
| Tallest | Miller (6 ft 4in/193 cm) |
| | Samuelsson (6ft 4in/193 cm) |
| Shortest | Caufield (5ft 7in/170 cm) |
| Average Weight | 185 lbs (84 kg) |
| Heaviest | Samuelsson (220 lbs/100 kg) |
| Lightest | Robertson (161 lbs/73 kg) |
| | Wolf (161 lbs/73 kg) |
| Average Age | 19 yrs 2mo |
| Oldest | Stastney (19yrs 11mo) |
| Youngest | Robertson (18yrs 3mo) |
| Shoot/Catch | Left: 15 Right: 8 |

FORWARDS

| NO NAME | GP | G | A | PTS |
|---|----|----|----|-----|
| 9 Trevor Zegras Boston University (Hockey East) | 16 | 5 | 12 | 17 |
| 10 Curtis Hall Yale University (ECAC Hockey) | 9 | 6 | 1 | 7 |
| 12 Jack Drury* Harvard University (Hockey East) | 10 | 4 | 6 | 10 |
| 13 Cole Caufield University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | 18 | 12 | 8 | 20 |
| 15 Alex Turcotte University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | 16 | 6 | 9 | 15 |
| 16 Nick Robertson Peterborough Petes (OHL) | 22 | 23 | 12 | 35 |
| 17 John Beecher University of Michigan (Big Ten) | 16 | 5 | 4 | 9 |
| 18 Oliver Wahlstrom* Bridgeport Sound Tigers (AHL) | 20 | 3 | 6 | 9 |
| 20 Parker Ford Providence College (Hockey East) | 17 | 6 | 8 | 14 |
| 22 Shane Pinto University of North Dakota (NCHC) | 17 | 8 | 6 | 14 |
| 23 Bobby Brink University of Denver (NCHC) | 18 | 7 | 6 | 13 |
| 25 Jacob Pivonka University of Notre Dame (Big Ten) | 17 | 4 | 4 | 8 |
| 28 Arthur Kaliyev Hamilton Bulldogs (OHL) | 33 | 31 | 31 | 62 |

*2019 U.S. National Junior Team silver medalist

SEASON STATISTICS

THROUGH DEC. 15

DEFENSE

| NO NAME | GP | G | A | PTS |
|---|----|---|----|-----|
| 2 Jordan Harris Northeastern (Hockey East) | 18 | 3 | 10 | 13 |
| 4 Cam York University of Michigan (Big Ten) | 14 | 4 | 5 | 9 |
| 6 Zac Jones University of Massachusetts Amherst (Hockey East) | 17 | 3 | 9 | 12 |
| 7 Spencer Stastney University of Notre Dame (Big Ten) | 18 | 2 | 6 | 8 |
| 19 K'Andre Miller* University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | 18 | 6 | 5 | 11 |
| 21 Ty Emberson University of Wisconsin (Big Ten) | 18 | 0 | 3 | 3 |
| 24 Mattias Samuelsson* Western Michigan University (NCHC) | 12 | 1 | 3 | 4 |

GOALTENDERS

| NO NAME | GP | W-L-T-OTL | GAA | SV% |
|---|----|-----------|------|------|
| 30 Spencer Knight* Boston College (Hockey East) | 15 | 11-4-0-0 | 1.73 | .940 |
| 31 Isalah Saville University of Nebraska Omaha (NCHC) | 14 | 6-5-2-0 | 3.04 | .889 |
| 32 Dustin Wolf Everett Silvertips (WHL) | 24 | 17-6-0-1 | 1.91 | .941 |

ABOUT THE STAFF

ABOUT VANBIESBROUCK

John Vanbiesbrouck is serving as general manager of the 2020 U.S. National Junior Team. He served in a similar role for the 2019 silver medal-winning U.S. National Junior Team. The 2007 U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame inductee has previously represented the United States as a player on nine occasions, including one Olympic Winter Games (1998), two Canada Cups (1987, 1991), four men's world championships (1985, 1987, 1989, 1991) and two world junior championships (1982, 1983). A full-time employee of USA Hockey, Vanbiesbrouck began his duties as assistant executive director of hockey operations for USA Hockey on June 4, 2018. His responsibilities include oversight of all of USA Hockey's international efforts, including its men's, women's and sled programs as well as the National Junior Development Program.

ABOUT SANDELIN

Head coach of the University of Minnesota Duluth men's ice hockey team, **Scott Sandelin** is head coach of the 2020 U.S. National Junior Team. He returns to the U.S. National Junior Team bench for a fourth time, and his second as head coach. Sandelin, who coached the U.S. to a fourth-place finish on home ice in 2005 in Grand Forks, North Dakota, and Thief River Falls, Minnesota, was an assistant coach on last year's silver medal-winning entry and fulfilled the same duties in 2012. Sandelin, who skated in the 1982 World Junior Championship, joins **Phil Housley** as the only two U.S. head coaching members to both coach and play in the World Junior Championship. Sandelin's time behind the Bulldogs bench has been highlighted by a trio of NCAA national championships, including back-to-back title wins the last two seasons (2017-18, 2018-19). Since taking the helm in 2000-01, his 21-6 record and .778 win percentage in NCAA Tournament play is the best of any active bench bosses.

COACHING STAFF'S WINNING PEDIGREE

All five members of the 2020 U.S. National Junior Team coaching staff hold winning pedigrees at the collegiate and international level. Combined, the staff has coached 108 NCAA seasons while contributing to eight international medals, six NCAA national titles and 13 conference championships (post-season). Internationally, the five coaches have represented the U.S. a combined 16 times. **Scott Sandelin, David Lassonde, Steve Miller** and **Jerry Keefe** all served as assistants on last year's silver medal-winning 2019 U.S. National Junior Team. Lassonde was an assistant for the gold medal-winning 2013 U.S. National Junior Team. Additionally, Miller helped the 2017 U.S. National Junior Team to a gold medal finish. **Brett Larson** most recently served as head coach for the 2012 U.S. Junior Select Team that won the World Junior A Challenge.

2020 U.S. STAFF

| POSITION | NAME |
|-------------------|---|
| General Manager | John Vanbiesbrouck Detroit, Mich. |
| Player Personnel | Ben Smith Gloucester, Mass. |
| Player Personnel | Ryan Martin Novi, Mich. |
| Head Coach | Scott Sandelin Hibbing, Minn. |
| Assistant Coach | David Lassonde Durham, N.H. |
| Assistant Coach | Steve Miller Sun Prairie, Wis. |
| Assistant Coach | Brett Larson St. Cloud, Minn. |
| Assistant Coach | Jerry Keefe Saugus, Mass. |
| Video Coach | Nick Siergiej South Bend, Ind. |
| Team Leader | Dan Brennan Colorado Springs, Colo. |
| Athletic Trainer | Dennis MacDonald Plymouth, Mich. |
| Athletic Trainer | Stan Wong Boca Raton, Fla. |
| Equipment Manager | Scott Aldrich Colorado Springs, Colo. |
| Equipment Manager | Chris Garner Duluth, Minn. |
| Team Physician | Dr. Doug Weiss Camp Lejeune, N.C. |
| Media Officer | Aaron Westendorf Cincinnati, Ohio |
| Digital Content | Kyle Huson Parker, Colo. |

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ADDITIONAL NOTES

RECORD FOUR STRAIGHT YEARS WITH A MEDAL

The U.S. has medaled at the IIHF World Junior Championship in four consecutive years, the longest streak in U.S. history. Five players currently on the 2020 U.S. roster earned a silver medal at the 2019 IIHF World Junior Championship in Vancouver, British Columbia.

A FIRST FOR NEW JERSEY AND VIRGINIA

Captain **Mattias Samuelsson** (Voorhees, N.J.) is the first New Jersey native to serve as captain for the U.S. National Junior Team. Defenseman **Zac Jones** (Glen Allen, Va.) is the first Virginia native to play for the U.S. National Junior Team.

HOCKEY BLOODLINES

Mattias Samuelsson's father, Kjell Samuelsson, won a gold medal with Sweden at the 1991 Men's World Championship and a Stanley Cup with the Pittsburgh Penguins in 1992. Kjell was a 1984 sixth round draft pick of the New York Rangers and went on to play 14 years in the NHL with the New York Rangers, Philadelphia Flyers, Pittsburgh Penguins and Tampa Bay Lightning. Kjell is the Director of Player Development with currently the Philadelphia Flyers. Mattias' brother, Lukas Samuelsson, is a current teammate at Western Michigan University (NCHC).

Jack Drury's father, Ted Drury, skated on two U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Teams (1992, 1994) in addition to playing eight seasons in the NHL with the Ottawa Senators, Anaheim Ducks, Hartford Whalers and Calgary Flames. Jack's uncle, Chris Drury, skated on three U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Teams (2002, 2006, 2010), helping the United States earn two silver medals (2002, 2010). Chris also skated 14 years in the NHL with the New York Rangers, Buffalo Sabres and Colorado Avalanche. In 1996, he helped the Avalanche with the Stanley Cup and is the only player in history to win both the Hobey Baker Award as the best college player and the Calder Memorial Trophy as best NHL rookie.

Jacob Pivonka's father, Michal Pivonka, skated for Czechoslovakia at the World Junior Championship in 1986, 1985 (silver) and 1984 (bronze), serving as captain in both 1986 and 1985, and led his team in scoring en route to a silver medal in 1985. Michal's 26 points (15-11-26) in 21 games rank 4th all-time in Czechoslovakia and Czech Republic World Junior Championship history, his 21 games played rank 2nd all-time. Michal was a third round pick of the Washington Capitals in 1984 and went on to play 13 seasons in the NHL, all with Washington.

Alex Turcotte's father, Alfie Turcotte, skated for Team USA at the 1984 World Junior Championship scoring 11 points (2-9-11) in seven games. Alfie was a 1983 first round selection of the Montreal Canadiens and played seven years in the NHL.

Nick Robertson's brother, Jason Robertson, played for Team USA at the 2019 World Junior Championship winning a silver medal. Jason finished T-2nd in team scoring with seven points (1-6-7). Jason is a Dallas Stars 2017 second round pick, and currently skates with the Texas Stars (AHL).

Curtis Hall's father, Mike Hall, previously played at Bowling Green State University (CCHA) for four seasons, followed by a six-year professional career that included 18 games with the Providence Bruins (AHL).

Oliver Wahlstrom's father, Joakim Wahlstrom, played hockey at the University of Maine for two seasons (1988-90) prior to playing professionally in the Swedish Elite League.

MEET THE CAPTAINS

(C) MATTIAS SAMUELSSON: One of five returnees from last year's silver-medal winning U.S. Junior National Team, Samuelsson is currently skating in his second season at Western Michigan University (NCHC) where he currently serves as an alternate captain. Samuelsson previously served as captain for Team USA at the 2018 Under-18 Men's World Championship where Team USA won a silver medal. A native of Voorhees, N.J., Samuelsson was drafted by the Buffalo Sabres in the second round, 32nd overall.

(A) K'ANDRE MILLER: Miller is currently playing in his second season at the University of Wisconsin (Big Ten). Miller's international experience includes winning a silver medal at both the 2019 IIHF World Junior Championship and the 2018 Under-18 Men's World Championship. A native of Minnetonka, Minn., Miller was drafted by the New York Rangers in the first round, 22nd overall.

(A) OLIVER WAHLSTROM: Wahlstrom is currently playing in his first professional season with the Bridgeport Sound Tigers (AHL). Wahlstrom, who made his NHL debut earlier this season with the New York Islanders, is one of five returnees from last year's silver-medal winning U.S. Junior National Team. Wahlstrom also played twice in the IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship, winning a gold medal in 2017 and silver in 2018. Additionally, Wahlstrom won a gold medal at the 2016 Youth Olympic Games with Team USA. A native of Quincy, Mass., Wahlstrom was drafted by the New York Islanders in the first round, 11th overall.

PRELIMINARY REMATCHES

After winning the silver medal in the 2019 IIHF World Junior Championship, the U.S. will play Czech Republic and Russia in preliminary Group B matchups after facing them in the 2019 quarterfinals and semifinals, respectively. The U.S. will faceoff against Russia on Sunday (Dec. 29). They will then play Czech Republic in its second set of back-to-back games on Monday (Dec. 30) prior to quarterfinal games.

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CZECH ROOTS

Jacob Pivonka would visit his Czech family during the summer when he was young. Jacob's father Michal skated for Czechoslovakia at the World Junior Championship in 1986, 1985 (silver) and 1984 (bronze), serving as captain in both 1986 and 1985.

NHL NETWORK TO TELEVISION LIVE ALL U.S. GAMES

NHL Network, exclusive U.S. television home of the 2020 IIHF World Junior Championship, will televise all U.S. games of the tournament and 20 games in total. NHL Network's **Stephen Nelson** will call Team USA games with longtime NCAA hockey analyst **Dave Starman** and reporter **Jill Savage**. NHL Network's flagship studio show *NHL Tonight* will air regularly throughout the tournament.

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TEAM USA AMERICAN HOCKEY DEVELOPMENT TIES

USA HOCKEY'S AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT MODEL

The American Development Model, now in its 10th season, is USA Hockey's nationwide player development program for youth hockey associations. It's based on age-appropriate, age-specific competition and training for boys and girls, beginning with their first steps onto the ice and carrying them through age 18 and beyond. The ADM places a heightened emphasis on skill development and long-term athlete development principles, providing a blueprint for the best possible youth hockey experience.

At the younger age levels, it looks like fun and constant motion in small spaces. The ADM encourages station-based practices, small-area games and cross-ice competition to deliver more repetitions, more puck touches and more skill development per hour of ice time. It provides the most efficient, most engaging development path for children, keeping them both in the game and on a path toward their full potential.

U.S. HOCKEY ORGANIZATIONS

| PLAYER | ORGANIZATION | STATE |
|--------------------|---|----------------------|
| John Beecher | Salisbury School | CT |
| Bobby Brink | Minnetonka High | MN |
| Cole Caufield | Team Wisconsin Stevens Point High | WI WI |
| Jack Drury | Chicago Mission | IL |
| Ty Emberson | Team Wisconsin Eau Claire Memorial High | WI WI |
| Parker Ford | South Kent School | CT |
| Curtis Hall | Cleveland Barons | OH |
| Jordan Harris | Kimball Union Academy Islanders Hockey Club | NH MA |
| Zac Jones | South Kent School Richmond Generals | CT VA |
| Arthur Kaliyev | Compuware Little Caesars | MI MI |
| Spencer Knight | Avon Old Farms Mid Fairfield Rangers | CT CT |
| K'Andre Miller | Minnetonka High | MN |
| Shane Pinto | South Kent School New York Aviators | CT NY |
| Jacob Pivonka | Chicago Mission | IL |
| Nick Robertson | Little Caesars | MI |
| Mattias Samuelsson | Northwood School Team Comcast | NY NJ |
| Isaiah Saville | Colorado Thunderbirds Anchorage North Stars West Anchorage High | CO AK AK |
| Spencer Stastney | Chicago Mission | IL |
| Alex Turcotte | Chicago Mission Chicago Young Americans Honeybaked | IL IL MI |
| Oliver Wahlstrom | Shattuck St. Mary's North Yarmouth Academy Middlesex Islanders New England Jr. Falcons | MN ME MA MA |
| Dustin Wolf | Los Angeles Jr. Kings | CA |
| Cam York | Shattuck St. Mary's | MN |
| Trevor Zegras | Avon Old Farms School Mid Fairfield Rangers | CT CT |

USA HOCKEY YOUTH NATIONALS

Jack Drury, Jacob Pivonka and Spencer Stastney skated together with Chicago Mission at the 2016 USA Hockey Youth Nationals. Arthur Kaliyev won the 2017 USA Hockey Youth Tier I U16 National Championship with Compuware. Oliver Wahlstrom skated in two USA Hockey Youth Nationals (2015, 2016) with Shattuck St. Mary's.

NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (12)

Based at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Mich., USA Hockey's National Team Development Program includes the U.S. National Under-17 and Under-18 Teams that compete in the United States Hockey League and against NCAA Division I and international opponents.

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR(S) |
|--------------------|------------|---------|
| John Beecher | Forward | 2017-19 |
| Cole Caufield | Forward | 2017-19 |
| Ty Emberson | Defense | 2016-18 |
| Spencer Knight | Goaltender | 2017-19 |
| K'Andre Miller | Defense | 2016-18 |
| Jacob Pivonka | Forward | 2016-18 |
| Mattias Samuelsson | Defense | 2016-18 |
| Spencer Stastney | Defense | 2016-18 |
| Alex Turcotte | Forward | 2017-19 |
| Oliver Wahlstrom | Forward | 2016-18 |
| Cam York | Defense | 2017-19 |
| Trevor Zegras | Forward | 2017-19 |

BIOSTEEL ALL-AMERICAN GAME (19)

The BioSteel All-American Game, formerly known as the USA Hockey All-American Prospects Game, is an annual event that provides the best U.S. players eligible for next year's NHL Draft the opportunity to showcase their skills on a national stage. This year's event will combine the All-American Prospects Game with the USHL/NHL Top Prospects Game, featuring rosters comprised of USA Hockey's National Team Development Program Under-18 Team and the best draft-eligible USHL players.

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | LOCATION |
|--------------------|------------|------|-------------------|
| John Beecher | Forward | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Cole Caufield | Forward | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Jack Drury | Forward | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Ty Emberson | Defense | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Curtis Hall | Forward | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Jordan Harris | Defense | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Arthur Kaliyev | Forward | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Spencer Knight | Goaltender | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| K'Andre Miller | Defense | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Shane Pinto | Forward | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Jacob Pivonka | Forward | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Nick Robertson | Forward | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Mattias Samuelsson | Defense | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Isaiah Saville | Goaltender | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Spencer Stastney | Defense | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Alex Turcotte | Forward | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Oliver Wahlstrom | Forward | 2017 | Buffalo, N.Y. |
| Cam York | Defense | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |
| Trevor Zegras | Forward | 2018 | Saint Paul, Minn. |

USHL/NHL TOP PROSPECTS GAME (5)

The USHL/NHL Top Prospects Game was an annual event hosted by the USHL that provided its best players eligible for next year's NHL Draft the opportunity to showcase their skills on a national stage. Beginning this season, the USHL will send its top American prospects to the BioSteel All-American Game at USA Hockey Arena in Plymouth, Mich.

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | LOCATION |
|----------------|------------|------|---------------|
| Jack Drury | Forward | 2018 | Kearney, Neb. |
| Curtis Hall | Forward | 2018 | Kearney, Neb. |
| Zac Jones | Defense | 2019 | Lincoln, Neb. |
| Shane Pinto | Forward | 2019 | Lincoln, Neb. |
| Isaiah Saville | Goaltender | 2019 | Lincoln, Neb. |



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OTHER ROSTER TIDBITS

U.S. JUNIOR HOCKEY LEAGUES (20)

A total of 20 players have ties to USA Hockey-sanctioned junior hockey leagues, including the United States Hockey League (USHL), the only Tier I junior hockey league in the United States, and USA Hockey's Tier II North American Hockey League (NAHL).

| PLAYER | LEAGUE | TEAM | YEAR(S) |
|----------------|--------|-----------------------|---------|
| Bobby Brink | USHL | Sioux City Musketeers | 2017-19 |
| Jack Drury | USHL | Waterloo Black Hawks | 2016-18 |
| Parker Ford | USHL | Sioux City Musketeers | 2017-19 |
| Curtis Hall | USHL | Youngstown Phantoms | 2016-18 |
| Jordan Harris | USHL | Youngstown Phantoms | 2017-18 |
| Zac Jones | USHL | Tri-City Storm | 2018-19 |
| Shane Pinto | USHL | Tri-City Storm | 2018-19 |
| | | Lincoln Stars | 2018-19 |
| Isaiah Saville | USHL | Tri-City Storm | 2018-19 |
| | NAHL | Minnesota Magicians | 2017-18 |
| 6 NTDP players | USHL | USA Hockey's NTDP | 2016-18 |
| 6 NTDP players | USHL | USA Hockey's NTDP | 2017-19 |

NHL RIGHTS (22)

Twenty-two players have been drafted by an NHL team.

| PLAYER | NHL RIGHTS | DRAFT YEAR | ROUND | OVERALL |
|--------------------|------------|------------|-------|---------|
| Alex Turcotte | LAK | 2019 | 1st | 5th |
| Trevor Zegras | ANA | 2019 | 1st | 9th |
| Oliver Wahlstrom | NYI | 2018 | 1st | 11th |
| Spencer Knight | FLA | 2019 | 1st | 13th |
| Cam York | PHI | 2019 | 1st | 14th |
| Cole Caufield | MTL | 2019 | 1st | 15th |
| K'Andre Miller | NYR | 2018 | 1st | 22nd |
| John Beecher | BOS | 2019 | 1st | 22nd |
| Mattias Samuelsson | BUF | 2018 | 2nd | 32nd |
| Shane Pinto | OTT | 2019 | 2nd | 32nd |
| Arthur Kaliyev | LAK | 2019 | 2nd | 33rd |
| Bobby Brink | PHI | 2019 | 2nd | 34th |
| Jack Drury | CAR | 2018 | 2nd | 42nd |
| Nick Robertson | TOR | 2019 | 2nd | 53rd |
| Zac Jones | NYR | 2019 | 3rd | 68th |
| Jordan Harris | MTL | 2018 | 3rd | 71st |
| Ty Emberson | ARI | 2018 | 3rd | 73rd |
| Jacob Pivonka | NYI | 2018 | 4th | 103rd |
| Curtis Hall | BOS | 2018 | 4th | 119th |
| Spencer Stastney | NSH | 2018 | 5th | 131st |
| Isaiah Saville | VGK | 2019 | 5th | 135th |
| Dustin Wolf | CGY | 2019 | 7th | 214th |

COLLEGE HOCKEY (20)

A total of 20 players are currently playing or previously played college hockey.

| SCHOOL | PLAYERS |
|-------------------------------------|---------|
| University of Wisconsin | 4 |
| Boston College | 2 |
| University of Michigan | 2 |
| University of Notre Dame | 2 |
| Boston University | 1 |
| Harvard University | 1 |
| Northeastern University | 1 |
| Providence College | 1 |
| University of Denver | 1 |
| University of Massachusetts Amherst | 1 |
| University of Nebraska Omaha | 1 |
| University of North Dakota | 1 |
| Western Michigan University | 1 |
| Yale University | 1 |

| CONFERENCE | PLAYERS |
|-------------|---------|
| Big Ten | 8 |
| Hockey East | 6 |
| NCHC | 4 |
| ECAC | 2 |

WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP (5)

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | FINISH |
|--------------------|------------|------|--------|
| Jack Drury | Forward | 2019 | Silver |
| Spencer Knight | Goaltender | 2019 | Silver |
| K'Andre Miller | Defense | 2019 | Silver |
| Mattias Samuelsson | Defense | 2019 | Silver |
| Oliver Wahlstrom | Forward | 2019 | Silver |

NOTE: Oliver Wahlstrom is the team's leading returning point-getter from 2019 World Junior Championship after recording 2-2-4 in seven games

UNDER-18 MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP (13)

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | FINISH |
|--------------------|------------|------|--------|
| John Beecher | Forward | 2019 | Bronze |
| Bobby Brink | Forward | 2019 | Bronze |
| Cole Caufield | Forward | 2019 | Bronze |
| | | 2018 | Silver |
| Ty Emberson | Defense | 2018 | Silver |
| Spencer Knight | Goaltender | 2019 | Bronze |
| | | 2018 | Silver |
| K'Andre Miller | Defense | 2018 | Silver |
| Jacob Pivonka | Forward | 2018 | Silver |
| Mattias Samuelsson | Defense | 2018 | Silver |
| Spencer Stastney | Defense | 2018 | Silver |
| Alex Turcotte | Forward | 2019 | Bronze |
| | | 2018 | Silver |
| Oliver Wahlstrom | Forward | 2018 | Silver |
| | | 2017 | Gold |
| Cam York | Defense | 2019 | Bronze |
| | | 2018 | Silver |
| Trevor Zegras | Forward | 2019 | Bronze |

NOTE: Cam York set tournament records for all-time tournament points by a defenseman (17) and all-time tournament assists by a defenseman (13). York was named to the tournament all-star team. Cole Caufield led the 2019 tournament in goals scored (14), tying Alex Ovechkin's individual tournament record.

WORLD JUNIOR A CHALLENGE (6)

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | FINISH |
|----------------|------------|------|--------|
| Bobby Brink | Forward | 2018 | First |
| Parker Ford | Forward | 2018 | First |
| Curtis Hall | Forward | 2017 | Second |
| Zac Jones | Defense | 2018 | First |
| Shane Pinto | Forward | 2018 | First |
| Isaiah Saville | Goaltender | 2018 | First |

NOTE: At the 2018 event, Bobby Brink led the team in points en route to winning tournament MVP honors while Isaiah Saville registered a 25-save shutout in the championship game.

HLINKA GRETZKY CUP (6)

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | FINISH |
|----------------|------------|------|--------|
| Jack Drury | Forward | 2017 | Fifth |
| Curtis Hall | Forward | 2017 | Fifth |
| Arthur Kaliyev | Forward | 2018 | Fourth |
| Nick Robertson | Forward | 2018 | Fourth |
| Isaiah Saville | Goaltender | 2017 | Fifth |
| Dustin Wolf | Goaltender | 2018 | Fourth |

FIVE NATIONS CUP (3)

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | FINISH |
|----------------|------------|------|--------|
| Jack Drury | Forward | 2016 | First |
| Arthur Kaliyev | Forward | 2017 | First |
| Isaiah Saville | Goaltender | 2016 | First |

NOTE: The U.S. had a combined 8-0-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L) record in tournament play over the two years. The 2017 Five Nations Cup was held in Ostrava, Czech Republic.

YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES (4)

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR | FINISH |
|--------------------|----------|------|--------|
| Ty Emberson | Defense | 2016 | Gold |
| Jacob Pivonka | Forward | 2016 | Gold |
| Mattias Samuelsson | Defense | 2016 | Gold |
| Oliver Wahlstrom | Forward | 2016 | Gold |

NOTE: The 2016 U.S. team was captained by Mattias Samuelsson, while Jacob Pivonka led the team in goals scored.



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U.S. OUTLOOK AT 2020 IIHF WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

2020 U.S. GROUP B OPPONENTS



CANADA

THUR., DEC. 26 7:00 P.M. LOCAL 1:00 P.M. ET
Series vs. Canada: 8-3-3-29-3 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)
Of Note: The U.S. is on a four-game win streak at WJC versus Canada
LAST MEETING: DEC. 29, 2017 (USA 4, CAN 3 SO): After defeating Canada in the 2017 gold-medal game, 5-4 in a shootout, the U.S. and Canada battled again to a shootout, this time in an outdoor game at New Era Field in the 2018 event. **Kieffer Bellows** scored twice, and again in the shootout to lead the U.S.



GERMANY

FRI., DEC. 27 7:00 P.M. LOCAL 1:00 P.M. ET
Series vs. Germany: 10-0-1-0-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)
Of Note: The U.S. has only faced Germany in preliminary rounds
LAST MEETING: DEC. 28, 2014 (USA 6, GER 0): **Brandon Halverson** recorded a 14-save shutout while **Dylan Larkin** led the way offensively with two goals and an assist. Ten different U.S. skaters recorded points, including a multi-point effort from **Hudson Fasching**.



RUSSIA

SUN., DEC. 29 7:00 P.M. LOCAL 1:00 P.M. ET
Series vs. Russia: 8-1-0-12-0 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)
Of Note: The U.S. is on a four-game win streak at WJC versus Russia
LAST MEETING: JAN. 4, 2019 (USA 2, RUS 1): The U.S. got off to a quick 2-0 lead before defeating Russia in the 2019 semifinals. Goaltender **Cayden Primeau** stopped 34 of 35 shots, while **Oliver Wahlstrom** and **Sasha Chmelevski** scored for the U.S.



CZECH REPUBLIC

MON., DEC. 30 7:00 P.M. LOCAL 1:00 P.M. ET
Series vs. Czech Republic: 13-1-1-7-1 (W-OTW-OTL-L-T)
Of Note: The U.S. has outscored the Czech Republic 82-64 all-time
LAST MEETING: JAN. 2, 2019 (USA 3, CZE 1): **Cayden Primeau** stopped 18 of 19 shots as the U.S. defeated Czech Republic 3-1 in the 2019 quarterfinals. **Josh Norris** scored what proved to be the game-winning goal early in the second period.

U.S. WJC PLAYOFF HISTORY

Quarterfinal Record: 11-0-0-7 (W-OTW-OTL-L)
Last QF: W, 3-1 vs. Czech Republic (2019)
 The U.S. enters the 2020 event having outscored opponents, 17-5, in its last four quarterfinal games. **Cayden Primeau** stopped 18 of 19 Czech shots in a 3-1 U.S. win.

Semifinal Record: 5-1-1-8 (W-OTW-OTL-L)
Last SF: W, 2-1 vs. Russia (2019)
 Team USA has reached the semifinal of the last four IIHF World Junior Championships, its best stretch since earning six-straight semifinal berths from 2003-08. **Cayden Primeau** stopped 34 of 35 Russian shots in a 2-1 U.S. win while **Oliver Wahlstrom** scored one goal.

Bronze-Medal Games: 4-0-2-3 (W-OTW-OTL-L)
Total Bronze Medals: 6 ('86, '92, '07, '11, '16, '18)
Last BMG: W, 9-3 vs. Czech Republic (2018)
 The United States has won four of its last five bronze-medal game meetings. In 2018, **Trent Frederic** netted four goals and **Kieffer Bellows** scored as the U.S. topped the Czech Republic, 9-3.

Gold-Medal Games: 2-2-0-2 (W-OTW-OTL-L)
Total Gold Medals: 4 ('04, '10, '13, '17)
Last GMG: L, 2-3 vs. Finland (2019)
 Since 2010, the U.S. and Finland have combined for six gold medals at the IIHF World Junior Championship, including three by the U.S. (2010, 2013, 2017). In 2019, Finland scored with 1:26 left in regulation to break a 2-2 tie and secure the victory.

U.S. WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP HISTORY AT A GLANCE

ALL-TIME RECORD VS. OPPONENT

| Opponent | GP | W | OTW | OTL | L | T | GF | GA |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|------|-----|
| Austria | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 2 |
| Belarus | 4 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 11 |
| Canada | 46 | 8 | 3 | 3 | 29 | 3 | 131 | 185 |
| Czech Republic | 23 | 13 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 82 | 64 |
| Czechoslovakia | 16 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 51 | 90 |
| Denmark | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 | 4 |
| Finland | 34 | 13 | 3 | 0 | 17 | 1 | 132 | 149 |
| Germany | 11 | 10 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 65 | 14 |
| West Germany | 13 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 80 | 45 |
| Japan | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 2 |
| Kazakhstan | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 42 | 6 |
| Latvia | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 30 | 4 |
| Norway | 6 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 62 | 17 |
| Poland | 5 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 29 | 12 |
| Russia | 21 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 12 | 0 | 52 | 71 |
| Soviet Union | 12 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 11 | 0 | 32 | 76 |
| Slovakia | 18 | 13 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 1 | 77 | 40 |
| Switzerland | 23 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 131 | 45 |
| Sweden | 34 | 14 | 1 | 1 | 16 | 2 | 114 | 126 |
| Switzerland | 23 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 131 | 45 |
| Ukraine | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 5 | 7 |
| TOTAL | 282 | 140 | 9 | 6 | 116 | 11 | 1189 | 970 |

ALL-TIME RECORD IN PLAYOFFS

| Opponent | QF | SF | BMG | GMG | Total |
|----------------|------|-----|-----|-----|-------|
| Canada | 0-1 | 1-4 | 0-1 | 3-1 | 5-7 |
| Czech Republic | 5-1 | 1-1 | 1-1 | NA | 7-3 |
| Finland | 2-0 | 1-0 | 0-2 | 0-1 | 3-3 |
| Russia | 1-3 | 2-3 | 0-1 | NA | 3-7 |
| Slovakia | 0-1 | NA | NA | NA | 0-1 |
| Sweden | 2-1 | 1-1 | 3-0 | 1-0 | 7-2 |
| Switzerland | 1-0 | NA | NA | NA | 1-0 |
| Total | 11-7 | 6-9 | 4-5 | 4-2 | 25-23 |

ALL-TIME MEDALS AT WORLD JUNIORS

| Year | Location | Head Coach | Record | Medal |
|-------|-------------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------|
| 2019 | Vancouver, Canada | Mike Hastings | 5-0-1-1 | Silver |
| 2018 | Buffalo, N.Y. | Bob Motzko | 4-1-0-2 | Bronze |
| 2017 | Montreal/Toronto, Canada | Bob Motzko | 5-2-0-0 | Gold |
| 2016 | Helinski, Finland | Ron Wilson | 5-0-0-2 | Bronze |
| 2013 | Ufa, Russia | Phil Housley | 5-0-0-2 | Gold |
| 2011 | Buffalo/Niagara, N.Y. | Keith Allain | 5-0-0-1 | Bronze |
| 2010 | Regina/Saskatoon, Canada | Dean Blais | 5-1-1-0 | Gold |
| 2007 | Leksand/Mora, Sweden | Ron Rolston | 3-1-2-1 | Bronze |
| 2004 | Helsinki/Hameenlinna, Finland | Mike Eaves | 6-0-0* | Gold |
| 1997 | Geneva/Morges, Switzerland | Jeff Jackson | 4-1-1* | Silver |
| 1992 | Fussen/Kaufbeuren, Germany | Walt Kyle | 5-2-0* | Bronze |
| 1986 | Hamilton, Canada | Dave Peterson | 4-3-0* | Bronze |
| TOTAL | | | 4 Gold 2 Silver 6 Bronze | |

U.S. IN PREVIOUS 10 WORLD JUNIORS

| Year | Location | Head Coach | Record | Finish |
|-------|---------------------------|---------------|--------------------------|---------|
| 2019 | Vancouver, Canada | Mike Hastings | 5-0-1-1 | Silver |
| 2018 | Buffalo, N.Y. | Bob Motzko | 4-1-0-2 | Bronze |
| 2017 | Montreal/Toronto, Canada | Bob Motzko | 5-2-0-0 | Gold |
| 2016 | Helinski, Finland | Ron Wilson | 5-0-0-2 | Bronze |
| 2015 | Montreal/Toronto, Canada | Mark Osiecki | 2-1-0-2 | Fifth |
| 2014 | Malmö, Sweden | Don Lucia | 3-0-0-2 | Fifth |
| 2013 | Ufa, Russia | Phil Housley | 5-0-0-2 | Gold |
| 2012 | Calgary, Edmonton, Canada | Dean Blais | 4-0-3-0 | Seventh |
| 2011 | Buffalo/Niagara, N.Y. | Keith Allain | 5-0-0-1 | Bronze |
| 2010 | Regina/Saskatoon, Canada | Dean Blais | 5-1-1-0 | Gold |
| TOTAL | | | 3 Gold 1 Silver 3 Bronze | |



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U.S. WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP GAME SUMMARIES

PRE-TOURNAMENT GAME 1 • USA VS. SWEDEN

December 22, 2019 - Cesky Tesin Arena - Cesky Tesin, Czech Republic
(N/A)

| | | | | | |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| United States | 0 | 5 | 1 | - | 6 |
| Sweden | 3 | 0 | 1 | - | 4 |

1st: SWE - Ginning (Hoglander, Fagemo), 6:44
SWE - Broberg (Gustafsson), 17:05
SWE - Henriksson (Soderstrom), 18:37

2nd: USA - Hall (Brink), 2:38
USA - Caufield (Beecher), 5:21
USA - Pinto (Stastney), 8:22
USA - Robertson (Stastney), 17:15

3rd: SWE - Holtz (Berggren, Pasic), PPG, 7:38
USA - Miller (Robertson), ENG, 19:15

Penalties: USA 5-10, SWE 2-4 **Power Plays:** USA 1-2, SWE 1-5

Saves: USA - Knight (N/A); 30:15 **Shots:** N/A
USA - Wolf (N/A); 29:45
SWE - Alnefelt (N/A); 58:05

Notes: Team USA rallied from a 3-0 deficit in the first period, behind a pair of **Nick Robertson** goals in the second period. U.S. goaltenders switched mid-game.

PRE-TOURNAMENT GAME 2 • GERMANY VS. USA

December 23, 2019 - Gascontrol Arena - Havirov, Czech Republic
(N/A)

| | | | | | |
|---------------|---|---|---|---|---|
| United States | 1 | 1 | 5 | - | 7 |
| Germany | 0 | 1 | 0 | - | 1 |

1st: USA - Caufield (Turcotte), PPG, 19:04

2nd: GER - Peterka (Schutz), 2:49
USA - Caufield (Emberson), 14:44

3rd: USA - Robertson (Jones), 6:27
USA - Drury (Emberson, York), 8:05
USA - Wahlstrom (Robertson, Pinto), 12:14
USA - Caufield (Emberson, York), 13:53
USA - Caufield (Turcotte, Kaliyev), PPG, 19:00

Penalties: USA 9-18, GER 7-14 **Power Plays:** USA 2-7, GER 0-9

Saves: USA - Knight (N/A); 60:00 **Shots:** N/A
GER - Hane (N/A); 60:00

Notes: **Cole Caufield** led Team USA in goals scored with four, while **Ty Emberson** had three assists in the game. **Spencer Knight** allowed just one goal in sixty minutes, helping the U.S. kill off nine Germany power plays.

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U.S. RECORDS

GOALS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR | GP | G |
|------|----------------------|------|----|---|
| 1 | Kieffer Bellows | 2019 | 7 | 9 |
| 2 | Jeremy Roenick | 1989 | 7 | 8 |
| 3 | Colin White | 2017 | 7 | 7 |
| | Auston Matthews | 2016 | 7 | 7 |
| | Johnny Gaudreau | 2013 | 7 | 7 |
| | Chris Borque | 2006 | 7 | 7 |
| | Peter Ferraro | 1993 | 7 | 7 |
| | Scott Young | 1987 | 7 | 7 |
| | Mark Green | 1978 | 6 | 7 |
| 10 | 20 different players | | | 6 |

ASSISTS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR | GP | A |
|------|-------------------|------|----|----|
| 1 | Doug Weight | 1991 | 7 | 14 |
| 2 | Derek Stepan | 2010 | 7 | 10 |
| | Phil Kessel | 2006 | 7 | 10 |
| 4 | Pat Peake | 1993 | 7 | 9 |
| | Mike Modano | 1989 | 7 | 9 |
| | Alfie Turcotte | 1984 | 7 | 9 |
| | Bobby Crawford | 1978 | 6 | 9 |
| 8 | Clayton Keller | 2017 | 7 | 8 |
| | Kyle Palmieri | 2010 | 7 | 8 |
| | Jordan Schroeder | 2009 | 6 | 8 |
| | Kevin Shattenkirk | 2009 | 6 | 8 |
| | Tom Pederson | 1989 | 7 | 8 |
| | Jeremy Roenick | 1989 | 7 | 8 |

POINTS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR | GP | PTS |
|------|----------------|------|----|-----|
| 1 | Doug Weight | 1991 | 7 | 19 |
| 2 | Jeremy Roenick | 1989 | 7 | 16 |
| 3 | Mike Modano | 1989 | 7 | 15 |
| 4 | Derek Stepan | 2010 | 7 | 14 |
| 5 | Pat Peake | 1993 | 7 | 13 |
| | Bobby Crawford | 1978 | 6 | 13 |
| 7 | Jerry D'Amigo | 2010 | 7 | 12 |
| | Ted Drury | 1991 | 8 | 12 |
| | Trent Klatt | 1991 | 8 | 12 |
| | Mark Green | 1978 | 6 | 12 |

WINS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR | GP | W |
|------|------------------|------|----|---|
| 1 | Al Montoya | 2004 | 6 | 6 |
| 2 | Tyler Parsons | 2017 | 5 | 5 |
| | John Gibson | 2013 | 7 | 5 |
| | Jack Campbell | 2011 | 6 | 5 |
| | Rick DiPietro | 2001 | 6 | 5 |
| | Mike Dunham | 1992 | 6 | 5 |
| 7 | Cayden Primeau | 2019 | 5 | 4 |
| | Alex Nedeljkovic | 2016 | 6 | 4 |
| | Mike Lee | 2010 | 5 | 4 |
| | Jeremy Smith | 2008 | 6 | 4 |
| | Jeff Frazee | 2007 | 5 | 4 |
| | Rob Geopfert | 2003 | 7 | 4 |
| | Jason Bacashihua | 2002 | 7 | 4 |
| | Brian Boucher | 1997 | 6 | 4 |
| | Paul Joswiak | 1978 | 6 | 4 |

GAA (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR | MIN | GAA |
|------|---------------------|------|-----|------|
| 1 | Al Montoya | 2004 | 360 | 1.17 |
| 2 | Rick DiPietro | 2001 | 359 | 1.33 |
| 3 | John Gibson | 2013 | 398 | 1.36 |
| 4 | Brian Boucher | 1997 | 357 | 1.51 |
| 5 | Cayden Primeau | 2019 | 298 | 1.61 |
| 6 | Alex Nedeljkovic | 2016 | 325 | 1.66 |
| 7 | Jean-Marc Pelletier | 1998 | 180 | 1.67 |
| 8 | Jack Campbell | 2011 | 353 | 1.70 |
| 9 | Jeff Frazee | 2007 | 313 | 1.72 |
| 10 | Thatcher Demko | 2015 | 241 | 1.74 |

*minimum 180 minutes played

SHUTOUTS (SINGLE TOURNAMENT)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR | GP | SO |
|------|-------------------|------|----|----|
| 1 | Al Montoya | 2004 | 6 | 2 |
| | Brian Boucher | 1997 | 6 | 2 |
| 3 | Alex Nedeljkovic | 2016 | 6 | 1 |
| | Thatcher Demko | 2015 | 4 | 1 |
| | Brandon Halverson | 2015 | 1 | 1 |
| | Anthony Stolarz | 2014 | 1 | 1 |
| | John Gibson | 2013 | 7 | 1 |
| | Jack Campbell | 2010 | 3 | 1 |
| | Thomas McCollum | 2009 | 5 | 1 |
| | Rick DiPietro | 2001 | 6 | 1 |
| | Rick DiPietro | 2000 | 5 | 1 |
| | Mike Heinke | 1991 | 4 | 1 |

GOALS (CAREER)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR(S) | GP | G |
|------|---------------------|---------|----|----|
| 1 | Jeremy Roenick | 1988-89 | 14 | 13 |
| 2 | James van Riemsdyk | 2007-09 | 19 | 12 |
| 3 | Kieffer Bellows | 2017-18 | 14 | 11 |
| | Brian Gionta | 1998-99 | 13 | 11 |
| 5 | 7 different players | | | 10 |

ASSISTS (CAREER)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR(S) | GP | A |
|------|------------------|---------|----|----|
| 1 | Jordan Schroeder | 2008-10 | 19 | 20 |
| 2 | Doug Weight | 1991 | 7 | 14 |
| 3 | Kyle Palmieri | 2010-11 | 13 | 12 |
| | Phil Kessel | 2005-06 | 14 | 12 |
| | Jeremy Roenick | 1988-89 | 14 | 12 |

POINTS (CAREER)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR(S) | GP | PTS |
|------|--------------------|---------|----|-----|
| 1 | Jordan Schroeder | 2008-10 | 19 | 27 |
| 2 | Jeremy Roenick | 1988-89 | 14 | 25 |
| 3 | James van Riemsdyk | 2007-09 | 19 | 22 |
| 4 | Brian Rolston | 1991-93 | 21 | 20 |
| | Mike Modano | 1988-89 | 14 | 20 |

WINS (CAREER)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR(S) | GP | WINS |
|------|---------------|---------|----|------|
| 1 | Jack Campbell | 2010-12 | 14 | 10 |
| 2 | Al Montoya | 2004-05 | 12 | 9 |
| 3 | Rick DiPietro | 2000-01 | 11 | 7 |
| 4 | Brian Boucher | 1996-97 | 10 | 6 |
| | Mike Dunham | 1991-92 | 9 | 6 |

MIN (CAREER)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR(S) | MIN |
|------|---------------|---------|--------|
| 1 | Alan Perry | 1984-86 | 968:40 |
| 2 | Jack Campbell | 2010-12 | 816:46 |
| 3 | Al Montoya | 2004-05 | 753:15 |
| 4 | Rick DiPietro | 2000-01 | 658:40 |
| 5 | Brian Boucher | 1996-97 | 577:00 |

SHUTOUTS (CAREER)

| RANK | PLAYER | YEAR | SO |
|------|---------------------|---------|----|
| 1 | Rick DiPietro | 2000-01 | 2 |
| | Al Montoya | 2004-05 | 2 |
| | Brian Boucher | 1996-97 | 2 |
| 4 | 8 different players | | 1 |

MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

| PLAYER | POSITION | YEAR |
|-------------------|------------|------|
| Ryan Poehling | Forward | 2019 |
| Casey Mittelstadt | Forward | 2018 |
| John Gibson | Goaltender | 2013 |
| Zach Parise | Forward | 2004 |

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USA HOCKEY HAPPENINGS

U.S. INTERNATIONAL SUCCESS

Since 2010, no other nation has claimed more medals in Olympic, Paralympic and International Ice Hockey Federation play than the 49 by the United States. Additionally, Team USA's 28 collective gold medals also leads all nations. In total, the last nine years has seen the U.S. claim 28 gold medals, 14 silver medals and seven bronze medals.

The 28 gold medals span seven events, including the Olympic Winter Games (2018 - Women), Paralympic Winter Games (2010, 2014, 2018), IIHF Women's World Championship (2011, 2013, 2015-17, 2019), IIHF World Junior Championship (2010, 2013, 2017), IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship (2010-15, 2017), IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship (2011, 2015-18) and IPC Para Hockey World Championship (2012, 2015, 2019).

2019 U.S. HOCKEY HALL OF FAME INDUCTION

Five American hockey legends including **Gary Bettman**, **Brian Gionta**, **Neal Henderson**, **Tim Thomas** and **Krissy Wendell** were formally enshrined into the United States Hockey Hall of Fame on Dec. 12 during a sold-out induction ceremony at the Marriott Marquis Washington D.C.

In addition to the induction of the Class of 2019, **Jack Blatherwick** was awarded the Lester Patrick Trophy, presented for outstanding service to hockey in the United States. **Alex Ovechkin** was awarded the Wayne Gretzky International Award, which pays tribute to the growth of hockey in the United States.

2019 U.S. JUNIOR SELECT TEAM

The U.S. Junior Select Team finished third in the 2019 World Junior A Challenge in Dawson Creek, British Columbia. The team was comprised of players competing in the United States Hockey League, the lone Tier I junior league in the U.S.

Anthony Noreen (Kearney, Neb.), head coach and general manager of the Tri-City Storm, served as head coach with assistant coaches **Mark Abalan** (Sioux City, Iowa), **Shane Fukushima** (Waterloo, Iowa) and **David Wilkie** (Omaha, Neb.).

The U.S. has finished first in six of the last ten tournaments (2010, 2012-14, 2016, 2018) and has occupied a top-three spot at the World Junior A Challenge every year since joining the tournament in 2007.

RIVALRY SERIES

The women's national teams from the U.S. and Canada are competing in a five-game Rivalry Series in 2019-20. The U.S. is off to a 2-0-0 start after defeating Canada 4-1 in Hartford, Conn., on Dec. 14, and 2-1 in Moncton, N.B., on Dec. 17. **Alex Cavallini** and **Alex Carpenter** were named U.S. Player of the Game, respectively.

The final three games of the Rivalry Series are set for Feb. 3 in Victoria, British Columbia; Feb. 5 in Vancouver; and Feb. 8 in Anaheim, California. Tickets for the game in Anaheim at Honda Center are currently on sale at hondacenter.com, Ticketmaster.com or the Honda Center box office. To purchase tickets by phone, fans can call 714-704-2500.

USA HOCKEY'S AMERICAN DEVELOPMENT MODEL TURNS TEN

USA Hockey celebrates its 10th year of the American Development Model this season. The ADM is USA Hockey's nationwide player-development program for youth hockey associations. It's based on age-appropriate, age-specific competition and training for boys and girls, beginning with their first steps onto the ice and carrying them through age 18 and beyond. ADM places a heightened emphasis on skill development and long-term athlete development principles, providing a blueprint for the best possible youth hockey experience.

2020 U.S. UNDER-18 WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAM

On Nov. 1, USA Hockey announced the 23-player roster for its U.S. Under-18 Women's National Team that will compete for its fifth gold medal in six years at the 2020 International Ice Hockey Federation Under-18 Women's World Championship Dec. 26-Jan. 2 in Bratislava, Slovakia. The roster features 10 players that helped the U.S. earn silver at last year's IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship in Obihiro, Japan.

Maura Crowell (Mansfield, Mass.), head women's ice hockey coach at the University of Minnesota Duluth, is serving as head coach of Team USA. She is joined by assistant coaches **Brianna Decker** (Dousman, Wis.), member of the gold medal-winning 2018 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, and **Josh Sciba** (Westland, Mich.), head women's ice hockey coach at Union College.

28 AMERICAN OFFICIALS IN IIHF COMPETITION

A total of 28 American officials have been selected to serve as referees or linesmen for International Ice Hockey Federation events and the Youth Olympic Games in 2019-20.

American officials will take part in 18 IIHF events this season, including the IIHF World Junior Championship, the IIHF Under-18 Women's World Championship, the IIHF Women's World Championship, and the IIHF Under-18 Men's World Championship. For a full list of American officials and their assignments, visit usahockey.com.

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.

USA HOCKEY'S NATIONAL TEAM DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

Founded in 1996, USA Hockey's National Team Development Program began operations in Ann Arbor, Mich., 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 Team, who 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 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 includes 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.