



**BDO Hockey World Cup - Men**  
**Thursday 7 September**  
**20:15**

**Netherlands 2**

**South Africa 0**

70' Despite the win, a disappointing performance from the NED. RSA are very unlucky to have gone down like this, they worked hard and looked much more motivated than their counterparts. They deserved a point here.

70' EVERS gets into the circle from the right and shoots but it is another wide shot.

69' NED are attacking now, RSA clearly frustrated and desperate now. They deserved more than a 0-2 defeat today. Hoyng tries a reverse stick shot from the left but it is too high.

**\*\* Goal: Geert-Jan DERIKX \*\***

65' A ball across finds DERIKX at the top of the circle. He hits the ball on the empty goal as HIBBERT is still moving over from the other side. The video umpire is consulted to determine whether the ball was inside the circle when he hit it but the decision is upheld: goal for NED.

65' A flat shot is deflected wide by the RSA defense.

65' PC for NED.

63' A flick to the right side of the goal is excellently saved by FORBES who deflects the ball wide off his stick.

62' PC for NED.

60' Another attack from RSA. MADSEN intercepts a ball in midfield and starts forward, then passes for ABBOTT high up on the right side of the field but the ball is too fast and ABBOTT fails to reach it. NED hardly manage to penetrate the RSA circle anymore.

58' NORRIS-JONES intercepts a ball in midfield and makes it to the top of the circle. He falls which umpire MAIR thinks no foul to the dismay of the spectators who are booing loudly.

55' Bad mistake by TAEKEMA. TSOLEKILE almost takes the ball off him at the top of the circle after a ball across isn't stopped properly but the NED can retrieve the ball.

53' RSA get into the circle again, but TSOLEKILE can't control the pass and loses the ball to NED.

50' And another opportunity for RSA already. VOGELS only just manages to prevent the ball from going in.

50' Great flick from JACOBS to the middle of the goal, aimed just under the crossbar. The ball is deflected up high.

49' PC for RSA after the ball hit a NED foot. NED protest with umpire MAIR but to no avail.

48' WEUSTHOF has an opportunity for NED coming into the circle from the far left but HIBBERT is there to ward him off.

45' Once more, the RSA defense holds as HIBBERT saves a flick to the right side of the goal.

44' PC for NED as a free hit from the far side is deflected up, leaving a RSA defender

standing just inside the circle without a chance to react and hitting him on the legs.

- 40' Play has been mostly in the NED half in this second half. This moment though, NED break through and get into the circle with de NOOIJER taking a shot. The ball is deflected wide.
- 36' The second half gets underway noisily as the numerous Dutch fans who have come across the border to see their team play cheer them on.
- 35' The NED are the better team here but are still struggling to find their game, something they will have to manage before taking on Germany and England in the next two matches. RSA are playing their hearts out but rarely manage to create a dangerous situation. It is enough to hold the listless Dutch but not enough to seriously challenge them.
- 33' An entirely open game, very unexpected considering the NED's favorite status and RSA's mediocre performances in the practice matches prior to this event.
- 30' Nice reverse stick shot from Bruce JACOBS from a narrow angle from the left but VOGELS saves.
- 28' Another great opportunity for NED to extend their lead. De NOOIJER gets into the circle through the middle but falls, the ball going to KLAVER who hits it across hard but it goes past the far post.
- 27' Time is stopped after TAEKEMA has hit Wayne MADSEN straight on the knee with a hard hit from close range. MADSEN goes to the ground and has to be escorted off the field by a teammate.
- 26' TAEKEMA for the first time tries a dragflick. The ball goes to the top left corner of the goal but is wide.
- 25' PC for NED.
- 25' TAEKEMA once more goes for a flat ball. HIBBERT saves. The rebound is also deflected wide by an RSA defender.
- 24' PC for NED.
- 20' NED win a free hit near the circle that could be dangerous. They execute quickly, but umpire MAIR awards the ball to RSA for the 5m rule.

**\*\* Goal: Taeke TAEKEMA \*\***

- 15' This time, they do not waste it - with some help. TAEKEMA's flat shot is deflected off a RSA player and hits the back of the net. RSA protest but to no avail.
- 15' The RSA defense stop the ball again. The Africans are playing their hearts out here but yet another PC is awarded to the NED.
- 14' TAEKEMA again tries a flat ball to the right side of the goal. HIBBERT saves but another PC is awarded.
- 14' PC for NED.
- 14' Green card for Lloyd NORRIS-JONES.
- 13' TAEKEMA's flat ball to the right side of the goal goes wide.
- 12' PC for NED.
- 11' NED get into the RSA circle but the ball goes high over the goal and is awarded to RSA.
- 9' NED are really struggling here to find their game. They are suffering from mistakes that one does not usually see them make, like imprecise passing and sluggish positioning.
- 6' And there's the first chance for RSA with McDADE passing the ball to DOLLEY who almost gets it in. TAEKEMA and VOGELS are having a hard time denying him but

eventually the ball goes out beside the goal.

- 6' NED are clearly the better team but struggling with the somewhat unorthodox play of the RSA.
- 3' Play is mostly in the RSA half. NED have had a first good attack but the RSA defense held. NED are complaining because RECKERS went down near the circle but umpire MAIR deems it no foul and awards the ball to RSA.
- 0' Welcome to the last match of day one, with South Africa v Netherlands completing the day's proceedings. The NED have of course had their first match yesterday, going down 2-3 to Korea, while it is the Africans' first encounter in this 2006 BDO Hockey World Cup.
- 0' The umpires for this Pool B clash are Andy MAIR (SCO) and Satinder KUMAR (IND). The video umpire is Amarjit SINGH (MAS)