



**BDO Hockey World Cup - Men**  
**Tuesday 12 September**  
**18:00**

**Germany 5**

**South Africa 0**

70' FULL TIME: A comprehensive victory with Germany playing some exceptional hockey at times. The boost to the goal difference may prove crucial in their hunt for a semi final spot

**\*\* Goal: Sebastian BIEDERLACK \*\***

68' Christopher ZELLER charges down the right and along the back line, before slipping to Sebastian BIEDERLACK who strikes into the corner

67' RSA win a free hit a few yards to the left of the circle, but it is slapped straight out of play and GER move forward in search of a fifth

**\*\* Goal: Matthias WITTHAUS \*\***

66' Tibor WEISSENBORN passes to WITTHAUS, who slaps the ball first time into the top corner. A wonderful finish

64' GER are chasing hard for a fourth immediately after the third, and are pressing RSA deep into their own half.

**\*\* Goal: Oliver HENTSCHEL \*\***

63' Sebastian DRAGUHN's shot is flying wide. but Oliver HENTSCHEL stops the ball expertly on his reverse and flicks into the net

61' Another good GER move from left to right almost results in a goal, but HIBBERT gets a touch to force the ball out of play for a corner. RSA recover the ball and try to put some pressure on the GER goal.

56' Andrew CRONJE feels the full force of Christopher ZELLER's drag flick, collapsing in a heap on the pitch. ZELLER immediately checks to see if he is ok, but he is stretchered off the field.

55' Lloyd NORRIS-JONES has a half chance for RSA, but his shot is deflected by a GER stick. GER regain possession and win a PC

52' Tibor WEISSENBORN drives in a free hit from just outside the circle which Christopher ZELLER deflects fractionally wide. It is all GER at the moment

50' Oliver HENTSCHEL decides that he does not need to control the ball and fires a brilliant, vicious shot just wide of the left post

47' Sebastian BIEDERLACK picks up a quick free hit, and slaps it towards goal, but HIBBERT uses his glove to full effect to deflect the ball away over the back line. GER waste the following corner

44' PC - GER: Jan Marco MONTAG drag flicks, but it is saved and cleared by the relieved RSA defence

42' A pass outside the circle hits a GER stick and completely deceives BUBOLZ, hitting the crossbar and almost into the path of an RSA forward. It is eventually well cleared

39' Lungile TSOLEKILE crosses the ball across goal from inside the circle, but his pass is picked up by a GER player. Shortly afterwards Ulrich BUBOLZ is forced into a fine save. RSA have started the half brightly.

36' Second half underway

35' HALF TIME - GER deservedly in the lead, and look likely to move further ahead in the second half if RSA don't change things around

35' PC - RSA: An overtime penalty corner for RSA is flicked straight at GER keeper Ulrich BUBOLZ, and easily cleared.

**\*\* Goal: Matthias WITTHAUS \*\***

- 32' WITTHAUS shows great skills to weave past the last defender and the keeper before reverse stick passing into the corner of the goal to give GER a 2-0 lead
- 29' RSA cause GER defence to panic, and a goalmouth scramble is almost bundled over the line, but eventually cleared by CRONE on his reverse stick
- 27' GER starting to put pressure on RSA once again, with Christopher ZELLER at the heart of it. His pass to WITTHAUS nearly results in GER's second, as he hits the post at the second attempt
- 25' Denzil DOLLEY is given a stern talking to by umpire TEN CATE after a poor challenge, and will have to be careful not to upset the umpire further
- 22' Lungile TSOLEKILE has RSA's best chance of the half so far, cutting in from the left, but GER are looking extremely strong in defence
- 20' RSA having moments of possession, but GER getting back in great numbers, cutting out all of their passing options which usually results in GER regaining possession
- 18' Tibor WEISSENBORN sets up Christopher ZELLER, but the goalscorer fails to properly control the ball
- 16' GREEN CARD: Wayne MADSEN: Bad tackle of Carlos NEVADO
- 15' Another slick GER move sees Moritz FUERSTE shoot from the left of the circle, well saved by Chris HIBBERT, and the follow up shot is high and wide
- 12' RSA defender Clyde ABRAHAMS clears another GER shot off the line. GER are looking likely to get their second if this pressure continues
- 10' Philipp CRONE (GER) tries an unnecessary reverse stick pass in his own circle, and puts the ball out of play. RSA do not make him pay for his mistake, and GER regain possession
- 7' The goal has sparked the large, flag waving crowd into life, and GER are on the hunt for a second goal.

**\*\* Goal: Christopher ZELLER \*\***

- 4' GER take the lead after Christopher ZELLER touches a cross at the top of the circle into the bottom corner.
- 4' Brilliant move from GER inspired by NEVADO sees the ball cleared off the goal line by a RSA defender
- 2' A scrappy opening, with both teams guilty of poor passing and conceding possession
- 1' Match underway
- 0' The umpires in this match are David LEIPER (SCO) and Rob ten CATE (NED). The video umpire is Sumesh PUTRA (CAN).