



BDO Hockey World Cup - Men
Friday 15 September
17:30

Australia 4

Korea 2

70' AUS have reached the final but the world number eight KOR have certainly been a worthy opponent for Olympic champions and world number one Australia.

**** Goal: Michael MCCANN (AUS) ****

70' AUS goal. With 20 seconds to go, a last KOR attack goes into empty space. GEORGE intercepts the ball in midfield and passes to McCANN near the top of the circle. McCANN fakes a step to the left to deceive KO, then takes his shot. With four seconds on the clock, the ball hits the net.

70' With 51 seconds to go, the game is extremely hectic now.

70' Seong Jung KANG gets into the AUS circle from the left but loses the ball to de YOUNG.

69' Time is stopped for KO who again receives treatment but continues playing.

68' Awesome interception from DWYER, fast run down the left. He takes a shot but the ball is high and wide. DWYER limps off the field, apparently having pulled a muscle in the thigh area.

68' Free hit for AUS near the 23m line. The hit goes through and out the back.

67' KOR are desperately attacking now and thus setting themselves up for counters from the Aussies. The KOR defense is doing a fantastic job today.

66' Great pass into the circle for EGLINGTON who should have made better use of this one. As it is, he hesitates and KO has the moment he needs to slide in and clear.

63' Time is stopped for Bevan GEORGE on the ground after a clash with Jung Seon LEE. He is ok, play resumes, free hit for KOR but the shot into the circle goes past everyone and out the back.

63' KOR are starting to feel a little hard done by, the last few minutes have seen two or three controversial decisions against them.

**** Goal: Jamie DWYER (AUS) ****

60' AUS goal. A free hit from the far right near the 23m line passes several AUS and KOR to find DWYER alone in front of the goal. With an easy deflection, he scores his 4th goal and AUS's 21st goal of the tournament.

59' Excellent cross from right to left for YOU who picks the ball up skillfully to lay it off for Nam Yong LEE who goes for a reverse stick shot from near the top of the circle but it hits the outside of the goal only.

58' The KOR defense is struggling a little now, the Aussies coming forward in rolling waves of attacks.

52' Good attack down the right by KOR but the AUS defense holds. Quick counter strike down the left with DWYER but he only wins a free hit near the circle. KOR take the ball off AUS. Chul KIM is currently playing an important role in the KOR defense.

**** Goal: Travis BROOKS (AUS) ****

- 51' AUS goal. Complicated variation. ELDER pretends but runs over to the right. KNOWLES lays the ball off for ELDER who hits towards the right post where BROOKS dives in to push it over the goal line.
- 50' ELDER tries to flick but the KOR defense has already run up to him and deflects the ball early. Another PC for AUS.
- 49' PC for AUS.
- 49' AUS get into the KOR circle but manage no shot on goal. The KOR defense recover and clear.
- 44' Time is stopped for KOTR goalkeeper KO who receives treatment. KO second goalkeeper LEE is getting ready to take over, but eventually, KO stays on and play resumes.
- 44' DOERNER's flick to the mid left is deflected wide off KO's stick.
- 43' HAMMOND wins a PC for AUS.

**** Goal: Seong Jung KANG (KOR) ****

- 41' KOR goal. KOR are on the attack again, getting into the circle from the right. KANG gets the ball almost on the back line and goes for a shot from an impossible angle. MOWLAM stands no chance.
- 40' JANG's flick to the mid right is saved well by MOWLAM.
- 39' PC for KOR.

**** Goal: Bevan GEORGE (AUS) ****

- 38' AUS goal. The ball coming in is off to the right. Stopper BROOKS reacts well and plays it out to the right for GEORGE who deflects the ball in behind KO.
- 37' McCANN wins a PC for AUS.
- 35' Halftime in this exciting game. Despite a low number of shots on goal, the game is a fast-paced thriller. AUS have done slightly more for the game but KOR have used their chances more effectively. KOR have had three PCs and converted one while AUS have had no PC.
- 35' KOR attack down the right. KNOWLES clears. The AUS counter attack is cut short in midfield.
- 33' Lovely opportunity for AUS through EGLINGTON who gets into the circle through the middle. Goalscorer JANG saves by deflecting the ball high up into the air - JANG is clearly the man of the match for KOR so far.

**** Goal: Jong Hyun JANG (KOR) ****

- 31' KOR goal. A 104 km/h flick from JANG to the mid right gives KOR the lead. It is JANG's fourth goal of the tournament.
- 30' PC for KOR.
- 29' Another attack down the left, Seong Jung KANG for Eun Seong HONG on the side line but HONG misses and the ball goes out.
- 28' Quick attack for KOR down the left but the AUS defense has re-shaped fast and KOR have to play back to start building from there again.
- 27' Lovely attempt at an interception by YOU in midfield near the right side line. The ball is high and YOU gets to it but defelcts it up and just over the side line.
- 24' A complicated variation with several stations does not go well and the AUS defense take the ball off KOR. BUTLER tries to set up a quick counter attack with a long hit into midfield but the abll is lost to KOR there.

- 24' The shot is saved but a second PC follows.
- 23' Free hit for KOR from just outside the circle. Yong Bae KIM plays to YOU on the far left who passes across. MOWLAM kicks out to clear the ball but it goes high. PC for KOR.
- 21' Long ball from HOPKINS for DWYER in the circle on the right. Jong Bok CHA misses the ball but luckily for KOR, so does DWYER.
- 18' On the other side, a great pass across from the left finds YEO unmanned in the middle of the circle. His shot is overhasty and wide.
- 18' A rough patch for KOR as AUS pressure the circle. The KOR defenders and goalkeeper struggle and have to ward off a string of attempts but manage to keep the goal clear.
- 16' KOR have a free hit from just outside the circle but the AUS defense intercepts.
- 12' AUS attack down the right but the ball is too fast for DWYER and goes over the back line.
- 10' Time is stopped for KO who has remained on the ground after the crash with McCANN. He soon gets back up and play resumes.
- 10' Another good attack from AUS. McCANN gets into the circle. KOR goalkeeper KO tries to kick the ball away but only stops it. McCANN and KO crash, the ball bouncing a meter away. EGLINGTON rushes in from the right and hits the ball towards the goal from a narrow angle but the shot is wide.
- 9' Good ball into the circle through the middle on an AUS attack but LIVERMORE misses the ball.
- 8' AUS play around the back again, waiting for an opening but the ranks of the KOR are tight.
- 7' KOR attack down the right, YOU gets into the circle and launches a shot from just inside. MOWLAM deflects the ball wide.
- 6' Jamie DWYER gets the ball high up in the KOR half but JANG takes it off him.
- 5' No further circle penetrations. AUS control the ball but play around the back a lot.
- 1' KOR have the first attack but Bevan GEORGE clears in the circle.
- 0' Welcome to the first semi-final of the 2006 BDO Hockey World Cup where Olympic champions Australia do battle with Korea, the surprise semi-finalist in this tournament - the only semi-finalist currently not ranked in the top four in the world.
- 0' The umpires in this match are Christian BLASCH (GER) and Henrik EHLERS (DEN). The video umpire is Andy MAIR (SCO).