



**Samsung Hockey World Cup - Women**  
**Wednesday 4 October**  
**18:00**

**Australia 3**

**Argentina 0**

70' With the win, Australia will meet Spain in the semi-final, while the other semi-final will be a remake of the 2002 World Cup Final between The Netherlands and Argentina.

60' With the game result somewhat beyond doubt, the intensity diminished but the game remained entertaining. Argentina kept pushing but failed to score a consolation goal, leaving the score at 3-0 for Australia.

**\*\* Goal: Sarah Taylor \*\***

52' Sarah Taylor scored another PC goal for Australia, batting the ball high in the net after the first shot then the first attempt at the rebound were stopped by the Argentinean keeper.

50' ARG started the half on a high tempo and obtained two penalty-corners, but could not convert them. The game was mostly in the AUS defensive zone, but they calmly absorbed the pressure. Luciana Aymar tried a few of her trademark runs down the middle but she was consistently denied by the Australian defense (and getting increasingly frustrated).

45' **We apologize for the lack of live commentary in the second half, due to another problem with the Internet connection at the pitch...**

35' Halftime: AUS with two nice goals to take a 2-0 halftime lead. ARG with some good chances late in the half but are unable to convert.

35' ARG Luciana AYMAR with a run but time expires with the ball inside the AUS circle

34' ARG setting up on the AUS end. ARG with some good chances late in the first half

32' ARG GARCIA again in the circle with some nice elimination moves but her shot goes wide left from the right side of the goal

31' Soledad GARCIA again with a chance as she draws out IMISON but her shot hits the post

30' ARG Soledad GARCIA with a chance in the circle, turns twice, draws out IMISON but shoots the ball into the side of the AUS cage

**\*\* Goal: Wendy BEATTIE \*\***

28' Goal AUS: Nicely executed variation as Wendy BEATTIE re-directs the pass from Angie SKIRVING into an open goal off of the left post

28' AUS with a chance in the circle but earn a PC

27' AUS with a good stop and take over possession

26' ARG building an attack as Luciana AYMAR looks for room. ARG with a free hit outside the AUS circle

- 23' Angie SKIRVING's direct shot is saved and AUS flirt with the rebound but ARG finally clears
- 22' AUS with a free hit into the circle and win a PC when the ball strikes the foot of ARG Ayelen STEPNIK
- 20' AUS with a chance but Suzie FAULKNER's deflection misses the goal
- 18' AUS with a free hit but the deflection sails over the ARG goal
- 18' AUS back on attack as ARG keeper Marilea ANTONISKA kicks away a loose ball.
- 16' Mercedes MARGALOT shot is saved and AUS clear
- 16' Luciana AYMAR shot is saved but ARG awarded new PC
- 15' ARG PC attempt goes wide left, but ARG quickly earns a new PC
- 15' ARG wins a PC
- 14' ARG setting up outside AUS circle
- 12' Claudia BURKART's shot is saved by AUS GK Rachel IMISON. ARG gets a shot off the rebound but it too is saved
- 12' ARG back on attack and earn a PC
- \*\* Goal: Wendy BEATTIE \*\***
- 10' Goal AUS: Wendy BEATTIE goes to a knee as she blasts a shot into the net from the left of the cage
- 9' AUS press keeping the ball on the ARG end
- 8' AUS back down the pitch but lose the ball over the endline
- 6' ARG across midfield for the first time today
- 5' Angie SKIRVING's shot goes into the net by it is too high. AUS claim a deflection but umpire McRAE will have nothing of it
- 4' AUS still pressing at the ARG circle and Suzie FAULKNER earns the first cPC of the game
- 3' Sarah TAYLOR rips another shot, this time into the side of the ARG cage
- 2' AUS Sarah TAYLOR with a quick shot in to the kickers of ARG Mariela ANTONISKA
- 1' At stake in today's match is the No. 1 position in Pool A and a date with ESP in the semifinals.
- 1' Match underway
- 0' ARG Magdalena AICEGA congratulated in the pre game for competing in her 250th career international match today
- 0' Umpires for today's Pool B match are Ute CONEN (GER) and Anne McCRAE (SCO). The video umpire is Jean DUNCAN (SCO).