

Argentina 2 Belgium 3

70' A surprise upset in this match, BEL getting the better of an uninspired and sloppy ARG side.

70' BEL have one last attack down the left, and while the shot across finds no taker, it has used up the last precious seconds of this match.

70' LOMBI's flick is deflected wide.

70' PC for ARG.

69' The clock is ticking down and ARG are going all out to salvage a point.

**** Goal: Jorge LOMBI (PC) ****

68' LOMBI goes for a low shot this time, and the ball crashes into the back board, reducing ARG's lag to one goal.

68' Another PC for ARG.

66' LOMBI's flick is blocked by DEGREVE and cleared by the ARG defense.

66' PC for ARG.

65' High aerial ball, RECKINGER is alone in the circle on the far left but his shot only hits the outside of the goal.

63' With 7 minutes to go, Sergio VIGIL is edging his team on to attack, but they find no way past their BEL opponents.

60' GILARDI opts for a low ball to the left. DEGREVE deflects it wide with his stick.

59' Great solo run from Mario ALMADA. He gets into the circle and constructs a PC for ARG.

57' Matias REY cannot stop the ball as it comes in, it goes through and the opportunity is wasted.

56' PC for ARG.

55' ARG are back to full strength. IBARRA has not been allowed back on the field by Sergio VIGIL however, he has been replaced by another player.

**** Goal: Thomas BRIELS (FG) ****

54' Good attacking from BEL, making good use of their advantage in numbers with ARG still not back to full strength. BEL get into a crowded ARG circle, and a pass back from the back line finds BRIELS in front of the goal to slot it in for the 3-1.

51' LOMBI is not on the field, so GILARDI steps to center stage. His ball to the bottom right corner is saved easily by BEL.

50' A quickly taken free hit from ARG yields them a penalty corner.

49' Tomas ARGENTO gets into the circle from the left and looks for an opportunity but loses the ball to Loic VANDEWEGHE.

48' GUCASOFF tries for a hatrick but this time, his flick is high and goes over the crossbar.

48' PC for BEL.

47' Just as coach Sergio VIGIL calls out to his players to play smartly, Pedro IBARRA takes a yellow card for protesting a decision.

46' Green card for Lucas REY.

46' ARG try to copy the succesful corner with LOMBI again laying off to the left for GILARDI who takes a hit to the bottom left corner of the goal but the shot is wide.

45' ARG win another PC. BEL are very unhappy with the decision and protest to the point where umpire NEL takes captain van den BALCK aside to give him some words of warning.

41' Green card for Max Luycx.

**** Goal: Juan GILARDI (PC) ****

40' LOMBI looks as if he is going to flick but in turning lays off for GILARDI on the left who does not hesitate to powerflick it into the roof of the goal.

39' PC for ARG.

36' Emerging from half time, ARG still look shaky and struggle to keep up with BEL.

35' A surprising match so far, ARG having been considered the clear favorite after yesterday's results, but unable to put anything against the inspired Belgians. Two superb penalty corner goals from Gregory GUCASOFF reminded of tournaments past when Jean-Philippe BRULE would take BEL to victories singlehandedly with his drag flicks.

34' Fast run down the left by BOURDEAUD'HUI, GILARDI is too slow to keep up. BOURDEAUD'HUI goes for the reverse stick shot but it is wide.

33' ARG have lost their plot again and face rolling attacks of the hosts. Great ball across from TRUYENS but he finds no taker.

31' Great solo run from Charles VANDEWEGHE in a fast counter attack. Juan GILARDI tries to stop him but pushes a little too much, resulting in a PC for BEL.

29' ARG look more focussed and organized now and are starting to take over control.

27' Time is briefly stopped for Max Luycx who has gone down in the middle of the field after taking a hard ball to the thigh.

25' LOMBI's flick is blocked by the BEL goalkeeper. Very good work from DEGREVE in this match.

24' ZYLBERBERG wins a PC for his team.

**** Goal: Gregory GUCASOFF (PC) ****

22' Another cracker flick from Gregory GUCASOFF that fits precisely in the top left corner of the goal, leaving the ARG defense without a chance to react.

19' Dangerous high speed flick but it is wide.

18' PC for BEL.

17' Green card for Philippe GOLDBERG who has hindered the ARG from taking a free hit.

16' The ARG defense is really struggling now. BEL play patiently, holding back and looking for openings, then diving in at the right moment. RECKINGER gets into the circle through the middle and tries for a reverse stick shot but VIVALDI saves.

14' LOMBI flicks to the left side of the goal but DEGREVE saves easily.

14' Lucas VILA wins a PC for ARG.

13' Brilliant attacking play from BEL now, ARG look confused and at this point in time cannot get an attack together.

12' ARG attack down the left and win a long corner but the BEL defense stands firm.

11' The hosts squander the opportunity, umpire NEL awards the ball to ARG.

10' PC for BEL.

9' Opportunity for ARG, good shot on goal but it is wide.

8' And suddenly the tide has turned and it is BEL on the attack. Great run into the circle from BRIELS, he passes back for Charles VANDEWEGHE who is alone in the middle of the circle but the ball is just out of his reach.

**** Goal: Gregory GUCASOFF (PC) ****

6' Gregory GUCASOFF slots a fast ball neatly into the left bottom corner of the goal, out of reach of VIVALDI.

5' The first successful attack for BEL sees them into the circle where John-John

DOHNMEN plays the ball onto the foot of Lucas REY for the first PC of the match.

3' BEL are struggling with the aggressive play of ARG and have severe difficulties to get any attacks going. Play is mostly confined to the BEL half of the field.

1' ARG have the ball at the start of this match and start building slowly from the back.

0' The umpires in this match are Eduardo LIZANA (ESP) and Deon NEL (RSA).