



2007 Samsung Champions Trophy - Men
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17:35

Netherlands 3

Korea 2

70' Very close encounter between two teams producing a superb display of hockey. The Netherlands are deserving winner after an excellent first half, but they had a narrow escape in the closing minutes of the game. They are certainly pleased to have avenged their spectacular loss 2-6 in pool play.

70' The Dutch survive a last Korean raid and win the Bronze Medal 3-2

70' Last minute of play. Nam Yong LEE deflects a ball just over the crossbar.

69' KOR on the attack again. A ball in front of the empty goal eludes a diving KOR attacker. Tempers are flaring and the game is stopped.

67' *** **GOAL KOR: Byung Hoon KIM** ***

67' PC KOR but Jong Hyun JANG is not on the field! the shot is saved, but Byung Hoon KIM picks up the bouncing rebound to score.

66' Jong Ho SEO gives a great ball to Woon Kon YEO in traffic, but the ball is stolen and carried out of the circle by Klaas VERMEULEN.

65' The Dutch are now sending long balls forward to relieve the pressure a few seconds.

64' Sam Seok KIM receives the ball at the top of the circle with some space, but his powerful shot is quite wide.

59' All players are now in the NED 25. The Dutch are certainly fearing the KOR last ten minutes.

58' A long ball over the NED defense is nearly caught by Chul KIM but it goes out.

56' Woon Kon YEO runs the ball on the left of the circle but his cross is high.

55' The crowd likes the entertaining game and cheers loudly. Great atmosphere in Bukit Jalil Stadium!

54' PC KOR. Jong Hyun JANG is saved by a NED runner.

52' *** **GOAL NED: Jeroen HERTZBERGER** ***

52' A free hit by Jeroen DELMEE hits a KOR foot in the circle for a PC. Taeke TAEKEMA's flick hits the crossbar but the play continues and Jeroen HERTZBERGER slots the ball in goal from close range. NED re-establish a 2-goal lead.

49' Taeke TAEKEMA hits a free hit directly in a KOR stick, and a quick scoop nearly finds Nam Yong LEE in the back of the NED defense.

46' KOR have clearly picked up the pace and progressively overwhelm the NED defense. A free hit by Chul KIM is lost in traffic in front of the NED goal, but a foul against KOR in whistled

- 44' A KOR cross eludes a defender and the goal-keeper, but is missed by a diving Hyo Sik YOU behind them.
- 44' A long ball by Taeke TAEKEMA finds Ronald BROUWER in the circle. He is bumped from the ball and earns a PC. Taeke TAEKEMA's flick is acrobatically saved by Dong Sik KO in the KOR goal.
- 41' NED are playing cautiously now, probably remembering that the Koreans scored five goals in the second half of their round-robin encounter.
- 39' Rain has stopped and the temperature is cool (for Kuala Lumpur). A perfect evening for hockey.
- 38' The Korean fans are now shouting louder, lead by their drummer.

36' * GOAL KOR: Woon Kon YEO *****

- 36' It doesn't take long to Korea to react: Woon Kon YEO gets the ball with a lot of room in the circle and takes his time to adjust a shot that leaves no chance to Guus VOGELS in the NED goal. The gap is reduced to one goal.
- 36' Game is under way in second half.
- 35' The Netherlands go into the break with a deserved 2-goal lead, having done most of the game so far. There is nevertheless a feeling that Korea could pick up their pace significantly in the second half.
- 33' Ronald BROUWER shot hits the crossbar
- 31' Matthijs BROUWER progresses in the circle despite some strong KOR tackles, but he doesn't get the call he was expecting from the umpire.
- 28' Good ball for Matthijs BROUWER deep in the circle, but slightly too late and a retreating defender tackles him.

26' * GOAL NED: Rob RECKERS *****

- 26' Rob RECKERS runs from the right of the circle, exchange a quick pass, then eats the keeper in a close angle after bouncing the ball on the post.
- 24' A good ball by Floris EVERS finds Rob RECKERS in front of the keeper but he cannot adjust his shot and the keeper clears.
- 23' The ball possession is nearly exclusively Dutch, but they cannot progress much, bouncing back against the Korean compact defense.
- 21' Good free hit for NED. It is drilled in but the KOR defense clears calmly.
- 18' NED is not relenting their pressure, but KOR are more entrepreneurial to try and catch up their one-goal deficit.
- 15' Taeke TAEKEMA joins Sohail ABBAS (PAK) at the top of the all-time Champions Trophy scorers list, with 40 goals.

15' * GOAL NED: Taeke TAEKEMA *****

- 15' PC for NED earned by Floris EVERS. The Koreans are slow to take their positions. Taeke TAEKEMA doesn't miss the opportunity to score with a low flick.
- 13' With Teun DE NOOIJER not playing, even more balls than usual are going through Jeroen DELMEE.
- 11' NED are playing well, passing the ball fast and supporting each other, but they cannot

find a hole in the compact KOR defense.

- 10' Korea have not done a single attack so far, they quietly absorb the NED pressure.
- 8' A good ball by Jeroen DELMEE nearly connects with a diving Ronald BROUWER.
- 7' Good incursion in the KOR 25 by Geert-Jan DERIKX but he has no option when approaching the circle.
- 5' NED circulate the ball fast from one side to the other, but the KOR defense is well regrouped and wait for the Dutch to come forward to intercept their plays.
- 4' Rob DERIKX follows a long ball in the circle but a KOR defender prevents him from reaching it and it goes out.
- 3' Long observation round between the two teams.
- 2' Long Dutch ball in the circle, but the KOR defenders are in front of the orange shirts.
- 1' First attack for NED on the right, but they are pushed back.
- 1' The game for the Bronze Medal is under way, the Netherlands in their traditional orange and Korea in white and light blue. It has unfortunately started to rain again, although not too heavily so far.
- 0' Today, the Netherlands will rest Wouter Jolie and emblematic star Teun De Nooijer from their 20-player roster, while Sung Kweon HONG and Jae Won LEE will not dress for Korea.
- 0' Taeke Taekema's career total for Champions Trophy goals is on 39. He is one goal short from equaling all-time top scorer Sohail Abbas from Pakistan (40 goals). He has now scored six times at Kuala Lumpur 2007, trailing Korea's Jang Jong-Hyun by just one goal. Jang Jong-Hyun has scored six penalty corner goals and one field goal.
- 0' The Netherlands have won a medal in each of the last nine Champions Trophy editions. The last time they failed to pick up a medal was at Adelaide 1997, when they finished fourth. Korea's best Champions Trophy performance is winning silver in 1999. They are back in the Champions Trophy competition after a four year absence.
- 0' The Netherlands are making their 27th Champions Trophy appearance. The Dutchmen made their competition debut in 1980, and only missed out on the 1988 tournament. They are defending champions. They have won the Champions Trophy a record eight times.
- 0' The Netherlands have taken on Korea on seven occasions in the Champions Trophy, winning five and losing twice. The first round match against Korea at the 2007 Champions Trophy was the biggest ever defeat for the Netherlands in this competition (6-2). Jang Jong-Hyun scored three goals for Korea in that match (1 FG, 2 PC).