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Portugal and the hosts Croatia are winners at the EuroHockey Indoor Championship III



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Portugal were first to clinch a promotion spot although their 9-5 victory over Turkey wasn't as clear cut as the result might sound.

Turkey took a 4-1 lead and Portugal looked in trouble in what was a must win game. However 8 unanswered goals cemented their place in the next division. Hungary avoided bottom spot in demolishing Finland 9-3 with all eyes now set on what was to prove the most exciting game of the tournament. Another capacity crowd saw WAL take a 1st minute lead in a game they needed to win by 3 clear goals to overtake Croatia.

The game went from end to end with Croatia having the upper hand at halftime 3-2. Wales then scored twice to give themselves a chance but Croatia again drew level at 4-4. After 38' with the score at 5-5 it seemed it was all over but a number of cards left 2 Croatia players facing a full strength Wales. 2 goals in the final minute gave Wales the victory but it was hosts Croatia who took the 2nd promotion spot behind Portugal on the number of goals scored as goal difference was identical. A fitting end to a tremendous tournament.

Thanks to Chris Brewer, TD

Best GK: Zoran Jakopović (Cro), best scorers - 11 goals: Rufus McNaught-Barrington (Wal) i Domagoj Čefko (Cro); MVP: David Franco (Por)

Photograph: Host team is promoted!

Final Ranking

- 1 Portugal, Promoted to EuroHockey Indoor Championship II, 2016
- 2 Croatia, Promoted to EuroHockey Indoor Championship II, 2016
- 3 Wales
- 4 Turkey
- 5 Hungary
- 6 Finland

ParaHockey in Portugal

Written by Administrator



A short movie on the very start of ParaHockey in Portugal. Many thanks to all who made it possible and good luck for the future! The EHF is very proud of Portugal for this start.... We hope to see more new soon!



Parahockey promotion - Portugal from FPHoquet on Vimeo.

Together we are stronger - Portugal starts to develop ParaHockey in Lisbon



Written by ehnews



EHF Continental Development Officer, Norman Hughes, visited Portugal last week to support the first small steps of the Portuguese Hockey Federation into the delivery of Disability Hockey, ParaHockey

PHF had linked with the Portuguese Federation for Disability Sport to deliver hockey to a group of Visually Impaired players (players with less than 20% sight)

Whilst a team of local coaches delivered a set of skills drills to the group the CDO together with Director of Sports Lisbon Mr Jorge de Carvalho, President of the Federation for Disability Sports Mr Jose Pavoeiro and Mrs Joana Goncalves discussed the way forward for disability hockey in Portugal.

Good partnership between Portuguese HF and the Federation for Disability Sport was agreed as crucial alongside the training of coaches to deliver to the groups. Amendments to equipment and rules were also debated.

CDO then rolled his sleeves up and helped the coaches train the visually impaired group.



All this was staged at the National High Performance Centre in Lisbon and just as our session was due to end another group of Intellectually Disabled people walked past the pitch. Their leaders approached the coaches and asked if they could try hockey!!

1 hour later the first Hockey4All group coached in Portugal had doubled in size!

These are very early stages but the signs are very encouraging that PHF can welcome Disability players into the hockey family of Portugal. The CDO plans to link nations at an early stage in this work together so that they can share ideas and experiences. Belgium, Portugal, England and Ireland are all just starting programmes to improve their deliver of Hockey 4 All.



Together we are stronger.

Final Day in Bratislava

Written by ehnews



Portugal went through the tournament without dropping a point and were worthy winners of the tournament.

Wins over Denmark 12-2 and against Turkey (who were the only team that could have caught them) 3-1 saw them clinch the promotion place. Despite the defeat Turkey were clear in 2nd place, only dropping points against Portugal and a draw against Wales throughout the tournament. With their victory over Wales and Denmark, hosts Slovakia climbed to win the 3rd place medals. Hungary also climbed the table with a win over Slovenia who remained in 6th place. Bringing up the rear were the very young squad from Denmark who improved as the tournament progressed.

Portugal and Turkey will now exchange places with Ukraine and Czech Republic in 2015 who finished in the relegation spots in the Championship division.

Top goal scorer: David Franco (POR)

Top Player: David Franco (POR)

Top goalkeeper: Daniel Deli (HUN)

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Portugal dominate on Day 2 in Bratislava

Written by ehfnws

Portugal continued to brush aside all the opposition with another commending day, recording victories over HUN



and hosts Slovakia.

Turkey however were the highest scorers of the day, registering 15 against Slovenia and 11 against Denmark. Wales moved up the table with a win and a draw and are now 3rd in the table. Despite suffering the highest defeat of the tournament so far SLO are 4th following their victory over SVK. HUN drop to 5th with just a draw against WAL for their efforts. SVK also slide down to 6th with DEN suffering two defeats. POR v TUR seems likely to determine the winners of the tournament with 3rd place still very much up for grabs.

Sunday 20th January

09:00	Wales	v	Slovenia
10:00	Turkey	v	Hungary
11:00	Denmark	v	Portugal
12:00	Wales	v	Slovakia
13:00	Hungary	v	Slovenia
14:00	Portugal	v	Turkey
15:00	Denmark	v	Slovakia

Bratislava, Day 1: Portugal dominate at the EuroHockey Indoor Junior Championships II

Written by ehfnews



Portugal were the team of the day in winning their two matches to give them 6 points and a goal difference of +14..

They overcame Slovenia 9-3 in their 1st outing and WAL 9-1 in their 2nd. Wales had drawn their earlier match 4-4 against strong promotion candidates Turkey which ended with Turkey scoring twice in the final 30 seconds with both teams having withdrawn their goalkeepers. TUR ended the day in 2nd place with a 3-2 victory over hosts Slovakia and the draw against Wales. Equal 3rd with an identical goal difference are Slovakia and Hungary who each recorded a win and a defeat. Denmark, Slovenia and Wales are all on 1 point with goal difference separating the nations.

Friday 18th January

10:00	Slovakia v Turkey	2-3 (1-2)
11:00	Hungary v Denmark	4-1 (1-1)
12:00	Slovenia v Portugal	3-9 (0-4)
14:00	Wales v Turkey	6-6 (2-3)
15:00	Hungary v Slovakia	4-6 (1-3)
16:00	Slovenia v Denmark	4-4 (0-2)
17:00	Wales v Portugal	1-9 (0-4)

Interview with Marijke Fleuren

Written by Administrator

You Tube



EHF President visits Portugal on its National Hockey Day

Written by ehfnews



Marijke Fleuren, President of the European Federation of Hockey, and Jorge Alcover, Vice-President, were in Portugal during the past weekend on the occasion of the National Hockey Day, the V Hockey Gala and the Inaugural Ceremony of the new Managing Bodies of FPH for the 2012-2016 Olympic Cycle.

Marijke pointed to the success of Portugal's path to success, and says that the fulfillment of one of her goals when she was elected is being achieved, namely the rejuvenation of the members of European hockey.

At the same ceremony was also distinguished Marcos Castro, EHF Communications Committee Member, with the "Dedication Award".

Interview with Marijke Fleuren: <http://youtu.be/b5PA--YcDiI>

A full gallery of photographs is available on our FaceBook page

Scotland and Portugal progress to FIH World League Round 2



Written by ehnews



Portugal earned a place in the Hockey World League's Round 2 after a dramatic 3-3 draw and 2-0 shootout win. Portugal knew its spot in Round 2 was secured after getting the one point for the draw, but nevertheless, they put the icing on the cake with the shootout win to finish the tournament with eight points. The loss gave Gibraltar a third-place finish with six points.

The qualification of Portugal is one of the biggest surprises yet in all of the World League Round 1 tournaments. Portugal entered the event as the fourth-seeded team in the five-team group with a 50th ranking, well behind #23 Scotland, the other team to earn a berth to Round 2 from the tournament.

Portugal seemed to have things well in hand at the half, owning a 2-0 lead. But Gibraltar came out in the second half fired up and ready for action and slowly chipped into the lead. Gibraltar capped its comeback with a penalty stroke, taking a 3-2 lead late in the game. But a penalty corner goal from David Franco in the last two minutes of regulation saved the day for Portugal, giving them a 3-3 tie and the key point needed to make it to Round 2.

Scotland completed its clean sweep of the tournament with a 9-0 shutout against Italy. Scotland went 4-0 in the event and out-scored its opponents an incredible 30-0. The Italians finished well out of contention for a place in Round 2, coming in fourth in the five-team pool. Rounding out the tournament was Morocco, which went 0-4 in its outings.

Scotland and Portugal can now look ahead to the Hockey World League Round 2.

Source: FIH

(Photo: Sérgio Afonso, TVS)

Five games and 2 Champions in Lisbon

Written by ehfnws



The Final Day in Lisbon was one of highs and lows for the hosts.

In the Men's competition, an amazing game we witnessed that has shown the result of the real devotion, love and hard trainings in the field hockey sport. Attack after attack followed every minute of the game and on the third minute, Portugal scored their first goal (1-0). Five minutes later another strategic attack placed the ball in the goal of Gibraltar and Portugal scored again. Gibraltar made many good attacks during the first half but without success. Another two goals for Portugal before the interval were scored and the result became 4-0.

The second half was much more intensive and Gibraltar scored two goals more. It seemed that the boys from Gibraltar needed that lag after the first half to motivate them and to start to play with all their strength. The National team of Gibraltar scored three goals in the opponent's goal and made the result 4-3. Until then, it seemed that Portugal underestimate the team of Gibraltar and let the result to grow for Gibraltar. Despite the good play of Gibraltar, Portugal led the game during the whole time and made one score minutes before the final of the game (5-3).

The Champion of this tournament is Portugal who played magnificent games during the Championship. With players like David Franco, Hélder Gonçalves, Ivo Moreira and others the team of Portugal is almost unbeatable. Portugal goes to the next stage - EuroHockey Junior Championships II.

Goals: João Penetra (2), William Rogerson, Luís Tavares, David Franco (POR); Kayron Stagno (2), Eric Casciaro (GIB)

Final Score: Portugal 5 Gibraltar 3

The day however began with the match between Azerbaijan facing Cyprus. The team of Cyprus with yellow-black equips and with dark blue-white outfits, the National team of Azerbaijan played very tight game. In the first half Azerbaijan scored two goals (2-0). The first hit in the opponent's goal was after a penalty strike. During the second half Azerbaijan continued to lead the game by scoring one more goal.

Cyprus lost the game against Azerbaijan with final result of 3-0.

Final Score: Cyprus 0 Azerbaijan 3

The final match of the men's Tournament was a battle for 2/3 in the Tournament ranking between Turkey and Greece. Turkey seemed the team with the final energy for that last match and were ahead 2-1 at half-time. An intense second half continued with Turkey edging ahead and taking the match 4-2.

Final Score: Turkey 4 Greece 2

Final Ranking:

1. Portugal (promoted to Championships II in 2014)
2. Turkey
3. Greece
4. Gibraltar
5. Azerbaijan
6. Cyprus

In the women's Tournament:

The game for the third and fourth place of the EuroHockey Junior Championships III was against the female National team of Azerbaijan and Portugal. Both teams had ambitions for a victory but Azerbaijan was leading during almost the whole game. The final score of the first half was 2-0 in favor of Azerbaijan. After the interval Azerbaijan scored another goal and kept the lead until the end (4-0). The third place goes to Azerbaijan.

Portugal is taking the fourth place.

Final Score: Portugal 0 Azerbaijan 4

In the Final, the Irish team started slowly and although 3-0 ahead at half-time, the Turks were still in the game. Possibly spurred on by the win of their men's team earlier in Bratislava, the Irish girls came out guns blazing and the scored again and again. They won the Final 8-0 and the valuable promotion to the Championships II in 2014.

Final Ranking:

1. Ireland (promoted to Championships II in 2014)
2. Turkey
3. Azerbaijan
4. Portugal

Source: Portuguese Hockey

Ireland in the Final at the EuroHockey Championships III, Lisbon

Written by ehfnews



On this beautiful day in the afternoon the fans of hockey could witness the game between women's team of Azerbaijan facing Ireland.

The girls have played a great match against each other and showed what means a "fair play". The first half ended with 1-1 tie. During the second half the battle continued. After the interval, Ireland scored another goal and managed to keep the result in their favor, until the end of the game (1-2). Ireland collected another victory and also the qualification to the final.

Final Score: Ireland 2 Azerbaijan 1

The match between the women's team of Portugal and Turkey was the last for today before tomorrow's final games. The Portuguese girls received a lot of support from the audience and also from the male National team of Portugal. The game was set and the first half passed with one score which allowed Turkey to lead the result. It was anxiety that was worrying the players and the crowd in the interval. Two very strong opponents have met on the field and the question was who would win. The game finished with the result of 0-2 and Turkey succeeded to play against Ireland in the final tomorrow 22th of July.

Final Score: Turkey 2 Portugal 0

Source: Portuguese Hockey

Penultimate day in Lisbon and Gibraltar win their first game.

Written by ehnews



After five days of the EuroHockey Junior Championships III, the men's team of Cyprus met Gibraltar on the hockey field in Jamor.

Wearing red-white hockey equips Gibraltar faced the players with white-blue outfits of Cyprus. Shortly just in a few minutes after the beginning of the game Cyprus scored the first goal (0-1). In a short term, Gibraltar returned the favor and scored two goals more (2-1). The moment when Gibraltar stroke and place the ball in the goal of Cyprus for a third time was seconds before the end of the first half (3-1).

Second half began and Cyprus made a score from a penalty stroke at the fourth minute (3-2). The game ended with a result 4-2 for Gibraltar, when the ball reached the goal of the National team of Cyprus for the fourth time.

Final score Gibraltar 4 Cyprus 2

Match 2 of the Day:

The match between Azerbaijan against Greece was the second in the Schedule of today's games. Both teams were anxious to gain the victory. The score at the interval of the game was 2-1 in favor of Azerbaijan. The first goal scored by Greece was from a penalty strike. With a lot of emotions and passion during the second half, Greece scored two goals (2-3) and led the result until the end. The winning goes to Greece after a tense game with Azerbaijan.

Greece has now 9 points, the same number as Portugal and Turkey.

Match 3, the final match of the Day:

The most awaited game of the day - Portugal versus Turkey. The match was very tense and full of passion, although almost the whole game was led by the National team of Portugal. Turkey managed to defend their goal, until the 10th minute of the game when Portugal scored the first goal (1-0). A series of goals for Portugal followed after that. The second goal was scored four minutes after, the third at the 19th minute, the fourth at the 24th minute (4-0).

The start was really tough for Turkey. The Turkish athletes scored only once and it was at the 30th minute of the game (4-1). Two minutes later (32min) Portugal scored their fifth goal (5-1). Minutes after the interval the Portuguese athletes scored three more goals (8-1). Ultimately, Portugal presented an amazing play and impressed everyone, even their opponents. With high techniques and unbelievable strength, David Franco from the National team of Portugal scored whole six hits in the opponent goal. At the 30th minute of the second half, Hélder Gonçalves made another score and the result with 10-1 outcome.

Portugal won a splendid victory against Turkey, their worthy opponent. And its very closely to become champions. Goals: David Franco (6), Hélder Gonçalves (2), Ivo Moreira, William ROgerson (POR); Ebubekir Guden (TUR)

Final Score: Portugal 10 Turkey 1

Source: Portuguese Hockey

Ireland shine in the sunshine in Lisbon

Written by ehfnws



For now it is confirmed the favoritism of Ireland, completely dominating all game actions, against the Portuguese national team, characterized by its youth and vigor.

The inexperience of the Portuguese national team was reflected on the result, which was expressive, revealing 7-0 (4-0) for the ones in green. On the other hand Ireland proved to be on another level, with a very fast game, typical of a higher division.

Final Score: Portugal 0 Ireland 7

(another report on the game is available here: <http://www.hookhockey.com/index.php/2012/07/u-21-women-all-but-secure-final-berth/> (Stephen Findlater)

Game 2

Turkey – Azerbaijan was a very divided game, where a goal made the difference. Thus the Turkish national hockey team achieved their first victory with a solitary goal in the first half. Tomorrow's games decide who will qualify for the final.

Final Score: Turkey 1 Azerbaijan 0

Day 3 in Lisbon, but first women's game

Written by ehnews



The third day of the EuroHockey Junior Championship III, started with the first game of the female tournament between Azerbaijan versus the hosts Portugal.

An intense game, which the crowd could see at the hockey field of Jamor in Oeiras. As the game began in the first minutes the National team of Portugal scored from a short corner (0-1). It seemed that was all the National team of Azerbaijan needed because after this goal, the team of Jeyhun (Azerbaijan) scored their first goal a few minutes after. The attacks of both teams were uncountable and before the first half, Azerbaijan succeeded to score more two goals (3-1). After the interval the game went very interesting, Sara Matos from the Portuguese National team scored at the first minutes (3-2), but Azerbaijan changed the result with three more goals and at the end of the game it was (6-2).

Goals: Joana Silva, Sara Matos (POR); Rena Mehdiyeva (4), Hasanova Amaliya, Farida Mammadova (AZE).

The second game of the day was Turkey against Ireland. The game was very disputed on the first half, with the Irish team being surprised by Toker. On the first half, Ireland scored a goal from a penalty corner (1-0). After the interval, the female team of Turkey was struggling to get the tie on the result, but Ireland succeeded to mark three goals more until the end of the game.

Final Score Ireland 4 Turkey 0

In the men's Tournament it was the 3rd Day and it began with the incredible moment when the athletes of Cyprus and Portugal sang their national anthems before the match. The spectators were excited to see what will happen in the game.

Cyprus played with white and blue colors. Portugal played with red and white equips. A few minutes after the beginning, Portugal scored (0-1) as a result of a perfectly played strategy. The athletes of Cyprus have played with style but Portugal was leading the hockey game. In the middle of the half game the Portuguese National team marked the game with one goal more (0-2). The third goal was scored after a short corner minutes before the end of the first half (0-3). Second half was very intensive. Shortly after the first minutes Portugal began a serie of attacks and manage to score three more golas (0-6). Until the end, the team coached by Rui Graça would score more five goals (0-11).

Splendid game performed by the team of Portugal which shows clearly their ambitions to gain the Championship.

Final Score Portugal 11 Cyprus 0

Goals: David Franco (3), Rodrigo Seara (3), João Penetra (2), Ricardo Teixeira, Mário Correia, Luís Tavares (POR)

The next game was between Turkey and Azerbaijan.

The new accepted tradition of the tournament has been kept and both national teams of Turkey and Azerbaijan sang their national anthems. The atmosphere at the field is incredible for every spectator. Turkey and Azerbaijan played for their country, what made the match so tense and tight. At the end of the first half the score was 0-0. When the second half was set both teams gave all their strength to score, combining high performed technique and sport skills. Despite the impressive defence of Azerbaijan, Turkey succeeded to brake thorough and score two goals. The match between Turkey and Azerbaijan ended with 2-0 outcome.

Final score Turkey 2 Azerbaijan 0

With this result, Turkey and Portugal have 9 points in three games.

Last match of the day was played by the National team of Gibraltar and Greece. The red equips were worn by the athletes of Gibraltar and Greece wore white-blue equips. The game was very balanced, but Greece managed to score the only goal of the game, achieving their second win in the tournament.

Final Score Greece 1 Gibraltar 0

Rest Day tomorrow.

Day 2 in Lisbon and the hosts take the spoils

Written by ehfnews



The second day of the EuroHockey Junior Championship began with a magnificent moment – both teams Azerbaijan and Portugal sang their national anthems. Moment, which made all the audience to stand and sing with the athletes.

The first umpire's signal was set and the game began with high speed and performance. Portugal made clear their ambitions to win in the first seconds of the match. Azerbaijan did not stay too far and showed that they won't give the victory so easily.

The game between Azerbaijan and Portugal went very emotional and full with great strategy and passes. During the first half, Portugal scored an amazing goal and led the result (0-1). Although the admirable performance and skills of the National team of Azerbaijan, Portugal managed to score more four goals during the second half (0-5). The hard training sessions and devotion to the sport of the National Portuguese team are giving their results and great example. Until the end of the game, the team of Portugal managed to keep the same tempo and did not allowed the opponent team to score a single goal.

Two victories in two games. Portugal is leading the tournament.

Goals: Luís Tavares, William Rogerson, Ricardo Texeira, Hélder Gonçalves, David Franco (POR)

Final Score: Azerbaijan 0 Portugal 5

The fans of field hockey witnessed the second game today between Cyprus and Greece. An interesting match that presented the team of Cyprus with yellow equips and the team of Greece with white equips.

During the first half Greece scored and led the game with 3 goals and Cyprus managed to score 1 goal. After the interval Greece continued to score more two goals and led the game until the end with a 5-1 result.

Final Score: Greece Cyprus 1

The final game of the day was Turkey versus Gibraltar. During the whole match Turkey was the leading team. At the interval the result was 2-0 in favor to Turkey. During the second half the National Team of Turkey scored two more goals and the game ended with a 4-0 result.

Turkey is, along with Portugal, the only team with 6 points in 2 games.

Final Score: Turkey 4 Gibraltar 0

Pictured: Portugal v Azerbaijan

Lisbon starts with a draw!

Written by ehnews



The hockey game between Azerbaijan against Gibraltar set the beginning of the EuroHockey Junior Championships III.

Impressively motivated, the national team of Azerbaijan started the match with high performance and speed. But it did not take long for the team of Gibraltar to show what they've got. The first game showed us a high sport spectacle with both teams fighting very hard for a victory. A tie in the game of the game, by 1-1, was the result.

The EuroHockey Junior Championship continues with another magnificent game between Greece and Portugal. Both teams were strongly motivated, which marked the whole match with emotions and breathtaking moments. The National team of Portugal received an impressive support from the audience. First goal was scored by the Portuguese National team during the first half (0-1).

The team of Greece played very well, although on the second half Portugal scored two more goals and the result continued to grow in their favor (0-3). After that, Greece showed high sport performance and managed to score (1-3). Next amazing moments came when Portugal gathered all their strength and finished the game with scoring two more goals (1-5).

Portugal wins with a barely reachable result at the end of the game, although the well planned strategy and technique of Greece. Final score Portugal 5 Greece 1.

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EuroHockey Junior Championships starts on Sunday

Written by ehnews



With a total of 7 Divisions, its a busy upcoming week for our Under 21 players, the EuroHockey Championships II and III get underway on Sunday 15th July with the EuroHockey Championships I taking place in Den Bosch 26th August through to 1st September. The later start than normal of the Championships is allow teams with talented Under 21 players taking part in the Olympics to also have the opportunity to play in the EuroHockey Junior Championships.

On Sunday, the Championship II, Men gets underway in Cernusco, Italy. Top ranked teams Russia and Poland will be looking to regain the promotion they lost in 2010.

The Organisers have set up a site, <http://www.eventicernusco.it/u21ec12/> and will have a live commentary on all the games.

Also on Sunday, the Championship II, Women, Lithuania and Austria have the honour of starting the Tournament in Aleksin, Anapa, Russia. Scotland and Russia are the top ranked teams in Anapa.



On the 17th the Championships III Men get going in Lisbon. With only one to be promoted from 6 in the men's competition this is a tough ask for the teams from Azerbaijan, Greece, Turkey, Cyprus, Portugal and Gibraltar. Lisbon is also hosting the women's III Division. A 4 Nations event with Ireland back in Under 21 hockey for the first time in 5 years, they will be pushing for promotion with Azerbaijan, Turkey and Portugal, all hoping to be the winning team on the 22nd.

The website with interviews and stats is at www.eurohockeyportugal2012.com



Finally in Bratislava, on the 18th, it's a 4 Nations, with one to qualify. Bulgaria, Lithuania, Slovakia and once again Ireland is back from a 5 year Under 21 wilderness.

Their site is: www.juniorhockey2012.webnode.sk

As usual we will be updating www.eurohockey.org with the results of each of the games and uploading the official match reports, with daily reports from the venues.

In addition we will be tweeting: @eurohockeyorg

and uploading photos from the venues on our facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/EuroHockeyorg>

Sport Club do Porto wins the National Hockey Senior Female Championship



Written by ehfnws



Sport Club do Porto has won the the first Nacional Senior Female Hockey Championship in its history. The team founded by Jorge Santos won the final of the playoff against Lisbon Casuals, with a golden goal scored by Irina Oliveira.

After winning the first leg by 5-0, the Oporto's team needed to get another win in the second match. The game was balanced and both teams had chances to score. The truth is that the game was only resolved in extra time, after a 1 - 1 tie during the regular time, with goals from Zita Santos (Sport) and Filipa Ferreira (Lisbon). Here, Irina Oliveira scored her the third goal in this finals, and gave Sport an historic title.

Académica de Espinho wins the Portuguese Cup

Académica de Espinho won the Portuguese Cup, after beating Lousada in the final for 3 - 2.

This was the fourth Cup for Espinho, who won this final with a golden goal scored by Ricardo Cunha.

The game was trembling with emotion and well played. The match started with a superb goal from Ricardo Cunha, after a Hugo Gonçalves's pass. Despite playing at home, Lousada had a hard time to score with an inspired Márcio Marques, GK from Espinho, avoiding that.

The second part opened with a goal of Leandro Morais from Lousada in a short corner, the same player that scored in another short corner with only seven minutes to play. The victory seemed almost assured for Lousada, but Espinho, two minutes before the end of the second half of the game, scores again and took the game to the extra time.

Final - 1.May.12		Result
AA Espinho	AD Lousada	3 - 2 (GG)

Lousada wins the National Hockey Championship of Under-18 Men

The Associação Desportiva de Lousada won the National Hockey Championship of Under-18 Men. The team coached by Marco Santos won the second championship in the club's history. The previous title was conquered back in the 2000/2001 season.

To win the title Lousada performed brilliantly, winning nine of the ten games during the championship, and still managed to have best attack and the top scorer of the tournament (Ricardo Teixeira with 18 goals).

Despite the numbers the title was only confirmed in the last round, because of the excellent performance of Lisbon Casuals, who ended with the same number of points as Lousada.

Ranking

Position	Team	G	V	D	L	G	S	G	A	S	-GA	Points
1º	AD Lousada	109	0	1	59	11	48					46
2º	Lisbon Casuals HC	109	0	1	31	10	21					46
3º	CAMIR	105	1	4	24	33	-9					28
4º	Juventude HC	103	0	7	16	26	-10					20
5º	Sport CP	102	0	8	10	43	-33					14
6º	GD Viso	101	1	8	5	22	-17					12

Third National Hockey Schools Meeting

The 3 National Schools meeting, took place in Felgueiras, on the 12 of May

The event was a success on several levels, including the level of adhesion of the students. In this meeting we had a record number of 26 teams from six different schools - Jacob, Luis Freitas Branco, CAF Almeida, Oscar Lopez, Felgueiras and Freamunde - and more than 120 students, in what was a great hockey feast of the sport!

Besides the participation of athletes, teachers and parents, the other highlight of the event were the volunteers. Congratulations to you all on your work and engagement!

Portugal - A mission achieved and 800 children now know hockey

Written by ehfnews



The Grupo Desportivo do Viso returned to hockey this season, competing in Senior and Under-18 Men. However, the club from Porto also wants to start training and initiate a youth academy.

João Oliveira, athlete of the senior team, is the main face of the genesis of this new phase of the club, which has been experiencing tremendous activity in the recent months.

The strategy of the club goes through an introduction to the three schools geographically close to the area where they are, and strengthen their connection with Ramalde municipality. Thus, the club is participating in all the sports activities undertaken by the municipality, such as the Sports Camps, and as also made several hockey activities in 3 Schools of the region. In total, Viso presented hockey to more than 800 children between March and May 2012.

The long term goal of the club is to have teams competing at all age groups since the future of the club depends on the athletes who are being formed.

Grupo Desportivo do Viso, Portugal, thanked the EHF very much for its support towards our project.

Players can't even start to play hockey without sticks and balls so the EHF Development Committee ensured that equipment was presented to the club to help them pursue their dream that is to use field hockey to get a better society.

The club, based in a very poor part of the city of Porto and aims to give the children a window of opportunity. Through sport and hockey in particular they want to develop a love of sport and life and to keep the children motivated enough to get them to university and thereby help the community.

New EHF Communications Committee meets



Written by ehfnews



"A day of ideas and reminding ourselves of the most valuable asset the EHF has, it's people, our volunteers."

That's how the Chairman of the new EHF Communications Committee, Jean Christophe Capelle described the meeting of the new Committee.

As it was the first meeting, each member had the opportunity to present themselves and explain how best they felt they could serve the Committee and the EHF.

It was quite something to see the level of the ability and the wonderful ideas that came from the meeting and whilst the Agenda was quite open, several projects were distributed amongst the members with an agreed Skype meeting in advance of the next EHF Board meeting to review the status of each of the projects.

Reviewing how we the EHF serve our Member Associations is a priority and as such ideas on improving the website, getting information to and from our Member Associations were discussed.

Marcos Castro also presented his experience of all Communications in relation to the recent EuroHockey Indoor Championships in Gondomar, Portugal and Marcos agreed to look at a best practice for using a multi media approach to EuroHockey Tournaments.

Members are pictured at the meeting in the EHF office on Saturday 31st March:

Back: Daniel Frederik Grass (SWE,) Delphine Benoit Mayoux (FRA), Jean-Christoph Capelle (BEL) (Chair), Simon Mason (ENG)

Front: Marcos Castro, Matt Davies (WAL), Siobhan Madeley (EHF) Jakub Chomicz (POL), Sabina Zampetti (ITA)

Portugal beats Brazil

Written by ehfnews



The Portuguese National team won the two games played this weekend against the Brazilian National team. The Bobcats won by 2-1 and 6-2 the games played on Saturday and Sunday, respectively.

This was the first time that the two countries faced each other. These meetings occurred in the context of Brazil's preparation to the Pre-Olympic Tournament which will be held in Japan, between April 26th and May 6th.

Scorers:

Portugal: David Franco (2), Carlos Silva, Luís Tavares, Flávio Pinto, Pedro Pinto, André Vivas and Ricardo Cunha
Brazil: Luciano Caminha, Thiago Pacheco and

Interviews (portuguese language)

Interview with Hugo Gonçalves - national coach:

<http://www.fphoquei.pt/index.php/selecoes/hoquei-campo/2297-entrevista-com-claudio-rocha-balanco-da-semana-de-preparacao-realizada-em-portugal>

Interview with Claudio Rocha, Brazilian coach:

<http://www.fphoquei.pt/index.php/selecoes/hoquei-campo/2296-entrevista-com-hugo-goncalves>

Lousada becomes the most titled club in the age group of U18

The Lousada is the new Under-18 Indoor Hockey Portuguese National Champion. The formation of Vale do Sousa won fourth titles in three years at this age group, and is now the team with most national titles overcoming Club Futebol Benfica.

The team that were in this final phase, which was led by Paulo Magalhães, end an immaculate path which started in the Qualifying Tournaments, where they won all the games and also all the four tournaments where they participated.

The club with red and dark outfits has presented some athletes from the Portuguese national of U18 and U16 squad, that have a good mature level and experience for their age. Athletes like the captain Luís Cunha, the defender Jorge Leal and the creative Ricardo Teixeira, were a spare key for regaining a title lost in the last year in Lisbon for Carris.

CAMIR, the home team, become in second place, and Juventude HC stayed in an unexpected third place with the same number of points of CAMIR. A good tactical organization was the main force of the team lead by António Ribeiro who won the last place on the podium.

In the fourth and fifth places are Lisbon Casuals and Sport. Both presented almost U16 teams, which have a lot to improve and develop in the forthcoming years.

All the pictures all available in <http://bit.ly/wRSFh9>

Final Day in Gondomar and Belgium are Champions!

Written by euronews



Match 15: Turkey v Wales 3-9 (2-3)

The Welsh girls were very sure about what they wanted from this game.... 3 points and a chance to win the Tournament.

At 2-3 at half time the target was in reach, but the second half proved decisive and Bridget Radice was relentless in scoring or assisting many goals.

The Turkish girls failed to impact on the scoreline much in the second half and chose to rotate all the players. Wales v Belgium is now the crunch Tournament game.

Match 16: Croatia vs Belgium, 0-4 (0-3)

No doubt the Belgian girls had also the same target, 3 points and the chance for a great game at 13.10, but the Croatians were not going to make it easy. But in the end it was an over whelming victory for the Belgians who did not miss a chance. In a short time, the Belgians led by Dominique Maertens built a result that would allow them to face the second half in slow motion and no doubt conserve their energy.

Match 17: Italy v Sweden 0-4 (0-2)

The Swedish girls needed 3 points from this game to make up for losses on the other days and a mid-table final. It was competitive with the Swedes taking all their chances.

Match 18: Turkey v Portugal 4-1 (1-1)

Bottom of the table clash and not even a home crowd could rouse the Portuguese girls onto a much needed win.

Match 19: Belgium v Wales 4-1 (1-1)

Top of the table clash and the winner would take all! Belgium proved to be the best team here conceding a goal, but not much else. A greatly deserved win from an accomplished team. Both teams are promoted and will take their chances at the EuroHockey Championships II in 2014.

Match 20: Sweden v Croatia 3-1 (2-1)

Boosted by their earlier win the Swedish girls seem to have come alive on the final day and netted 3 goals and 3 points meaning they would finish a very respectable 4th in the Pool.

Match 21: Italy v Portugal 4-2 (3-1)

A final game and again the Portuguese girls were outclassed but not by much! They fought hard in the second half and netted 2 goals. Unfortunately, they finished bottom of the pool.

But on a better note the teams were delighted with the halls (men and women) and the organisation and warm Portuguese welcome in Gondomar. Huge thanks are due to the Portuguese Hockey Federation.

Photograph: Portuguese Hockey Federation / EHF (c)

France and Belgium promoted to EuroHockey Indoor Championships II in 2014



Written by euronews



Match 17: Finland v Wales 0-7(0-2)

A comprehensive win over a weak side ensured Wales a safe 5th place mid table berth.

Their coach Nazir Mohamed said that whilst he was happy with the games that his team had played, three wins, one draw and one loss, he would have liked to have been in the Promotional Pool rather than the Relegation Pool. He said that the players were impressed with the venue in Gondomar "one of the best they had ever been in" and he said that it had been an excellent Tournament in Portugal.

Match 18: Hungary v Turkey 4-3(2-1)

It was an entertaining beginning! The Hungarians scored first but a quick reply from the Turks. The Hungarians went ahead again before the end of the first half.

It was a good and competitive second half and the game could have gone with way, but Hungary prevailed and took the 3 points.

Match 19: Portugal v Belgium 4-4 (2-2)

The match between Portugal and Belgium really began when Belgians inaugurated the score (2m). The hosts scored 1-1 two minutes later and the game was played at a good pace with both teams closing their defenses hardly and quick counter attacks. The 8th minute brought a penalty corner in favour of the Portuguese team but they missed. With 6 minutes to play, penalty stroke and 2-1 for Belgians. Portugal lost a penalty corner but took advantage of a penalty stroke (18m).

In the second half, Portugal started well and went ahead 3-2 (22m), the Belgians drew in the 25th and went ahead in the 31st minute. The Portuguese missed another penalty corner (37m) but scored in the 53rd minute and then a stroke. The game finished in a draw 4-4 and Belgium is promoted to the Championship II in 2014.

Match 20: France v Croatia 2-0 (0-0)

A very nervous start from the Frenchmen, who seemed to find it very difficult to find the target! The match was 0-0 at half time and it took another 3 minutes into the second half for the French to score. It was a more confident French team that played the second half, but the Croatians did not make it easy for them! Finally the final whistle went and the French were declared Champions and are promoted with Belgium to the Championships II in 2014.

Photograph: Portuguese Hockey Federation / EHF (c)

France and Belgium draw on Day 2 in Gondomar

Written by euronews



Match 9: Croatia vs. Belgium, 4-5 (2-1)

It was a very close match with only three or four minutes of useful hockey. The players seemed cautious. Within 4 minutes of the second half the Belgians equalized, and one minute later the Croatians missed a penalty stroke. Answering, the blacks scored the 3-2, and then again the Croatians equalized. The match seemed finally open!

In the 30th minute Belgium went 4-3 ahead. Six minutes to end, and Belgium scored a penalty corner and Croatia increased the pace. The scoreboard has stopped at 3-5. After the whistle, the Croatians finally made the score 4-5 with a penalty corner.

Match 10: Wales vs. Turkey, 5-3 (1-0)

The first half was not brilliant for 17 minutes and then Wales scored.

The second half began with the draw, in a penalty corner scored by the Turkish team. The match, with a slow pace, produced goals but almost nothing more. A deserved win in the end for Wales.

Match 11: Portugal v Finland 8-0 (5-0)

WHAT A win for the home team, a huge and deserved victory. At a smart pace, the Portuguese men built the result they needed for the dream of playing in the Championship division.

Match 12: Hungary v France 3-6 (0-2)

France wanted to top the Pool and they did in a competent and not over enthusiastic way. However it was perhaps a sign of a very composed side with the ultimate target of a place at the EuroHockey Championships in 2014.

Match 13: Finland vs. Turkey, 1-7 (0-2)

An interesting game with the Turkish squad first to score. This team increased the score, collecting shots on target slowly constructing the win against Finland. The second half was very strained for the Nordic team as they suffered 5 goals.

Match 14: Hungary vs. Wales, 4-10 (3-4)

It was a good match! Good skills and hard fought. The first half produced 7 goals and the supporters were delighted. In the second half both teams kept the pace and the Welshmen increased the score (5-3) with 16 minutes to play. Two minutes later, they scored the 6-3 (penalty corner). And then, 7-3, despite high-pressure from both squads. The Hungarians made mistakes and the scoreboard showed 8-3, 9 minutes to play. In the 35th the Hungarians scored their 4th goal. With 30 seconds on the clock Wales scored, bringing the final score to 10-4 Wales.

Match 15: Portugal vs. Croatia, 5-3 (5-3)

Portugal began the match with a goal, but the Croatians answered and drew level, both from penalty corners. The 10th minute Portugal went ahead 2-1 after the Croatians missed a penalty stroke. With 4 minutes to play the Croatians scored the 3-4 (penalty corner) and with one minute to play, wonderful skills and tremendous Portuguese goal: 5-3!

Match 15: France vs. Belgium, 6-6 (3-2)

Awaited as the match of the day. In the middle of the first half France scored the first goal but Belgium equalized almost immediately. It was time for great hockey, intelligent and clever, with open mind and experience. With 5 minutes to play, France scored the 2nd and a tactical time out chilled the Belgians. One minute later, the 3-1 and new answer – penalty corner – of the reds (3-2).

After the break, the Frenchmen pressed hard and went ahead, but by the 23rd minute we had a 5-6 to France and on the last second the Belgian's equalised, deserved as they had battled until the end.

Photograph: Portuguese Hockey Federation / EHF (c)

Sunday 22nd January

10:00 D 4A Finland v 3B Wales
 11:10 D 3A Hungary v 4B Turkey
 13:00 C 2A Portugal v 1B Belgium
 14:30 C 1A France v 2B Croatia

An historic win for Portugal at the EuroHockey Indoor Championships, Women, Gondomar



Written by euronews



Day 2, 7 games and all to play for!

Match 8: Wales vs. Portugal, 7-1 (3-0)

Wales showed in the opening game of the second day their intent to push for the title with a huge 7-1 score against Portugal. Despite the great poise, mainly at the second half, the Portuguese women suffered a big loss. Ângela Lima was the Portuguese scorer in a match that the Welshwomen owned from the first whistle.

Match 9: Belgium vs. Sweden, 3-0 (2-0)

Belgium with a new show of strength and commitment to this competition, showed signs that they intend to take the title.

Match 10: ITA v TUR 5-3 (4-2)

It was definitely the Best match of the day between two teams totally winners: shots on goal, skills and much more at a very high level with the scoreboard in movement both ways.

Match 11: CRO vs. WAL, 4-4 (0-3).

A flashy start saw Wales go 0-3 in the first half. In the second half, Croatia was transfigured, increased dramatically their attacks. They in fact went ahead 4-3 and forced the Welsh girls to attack again to secure the draw.

Match 12: SWE vs. POR 1-4 (0-2)

Today, a beautiful page in the history of women's Portuguese hockey was written.

The commanded by José Martins won the first victory in the European Championship and also seem having captivated the attention of a packed stadium! A well orchestrated game by the Portuguese girls, composed and ready to score in front of a very happy home crowd!

Match 13: TUR v BEL 0-6 (0-1)

The Belgian girls seem to be just improving each game with a very composed and comprehensive win against the bottom ranked Turkish team. Belgium are now well placed at the top of the table, but with 2 matches still to play tomorrow, nothing is sure and the top of the table clash at 13.10 tomorrow v Wales could be make or break.

Match 14: ITA v CRO 6-2 (1-0)

The final match of the day was a mid table clash between Italy and Croatia. A non descript first half with only one goal from Italy didn't promise much, but something happened at half-time and we had an pulsating second half with 7 goals, 5 coming from the Italians, and leaving Croatia with too big a gap in the final minutes.

Sunday 22nd January

08:30	Turkey v Wales
09:40	Croatia v Belgium
10:50	Italy v Sweden
12:00	Turkey v Portugal
13:10	Belgium v Wales
14:20	Sweden v Croatia
15:30	Italy v Portugal

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Day 1 EuroHockey Indoor Championships, women, Gondomar

Written by euronews



A full day of action in Gondomar and a wonderful welcome to Portugal for the teams. A single pool, so a busy 3 days action ahead!

Match 1: Portugal vs Croatia, 2-4 (1-0)

This Friday in Gondomar took place the first stage of the EuroHockey Indoor Championships III. The first game was Portugal v Croatia, which ended with 2-4 to Croatia. A great game in which the two teams pushed for victory.

Match 2: Belgium vs Italy, 1-0 (1-0)

Game 2 of the single pool was the contest of Belgium and Italy.

The game ended with score of 1-0, benefitting the Belgian team. The match was a good contest for the spectators with plenty of intensity and tension.

Match 3: Wales vs Sweden, 5-1 (3-1)

In the third hockey match today, Wales faced Sweden. Both teams played for the victory but it was Wales who came away with the 3 points.

Match 4: Turkey vs Croatia, 4-4 (4-1)

Turkey versus Croatia with final score of 4-4. The spectators witnessed a match full of passion and enthusiasm from the first seconds. In the first half Turkey led with impressive 4-1. Even the coach of the Turkish National team could not hide his emotions. And finally it was a draw, a game that really could have gone either way.

Match 5: Belgium vs Portugal, 6-0 (3-0)

Belgium meet Portugal

Portugal had great support in the auditorium but that was not an obstacle for Belgium who gained victory with score 6 - 0. Belgium continues its leadership in the ranking.

Match 6: Wales vs Italy, 5-4 (2-2)

The next spectacular game was Wales against Italy. The team of Italy with white and blue played with great spirit to defeat their opponent the team of Wales with red and white outfits. This hockey match ended 5-4 to Wales. The game kept the spectators on their toes from the first to the last second. The players of the two teams gave their best to honor and prove the great game of hockey!

Match 7: Turkey vs Sweden, 3-4 (2-2)

Another tight game which was 2-2 at half time. The final game of the day which really could have been won by either team. But Sweden took the win and much needed 3 points which secured a mid-table 4th place for them. Turkey are on 5th place after Day 1.

Lots more from Gondomar tomorrow!

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EuroHockey Indoor Championships Men, Day 1, Gondomar

Written by euronews



Day 1 saw a mixed bag of very tight games, draws, and big scores with the Belgians setting out their favourites stall early...

Match 1: Croatia vs. Wales, 2-2 (0-0)

It was a typical opening game with much nerves on display and without much of a buzz, with the 0-0 scoreline reflecting the game. The second half showed more promise with the teams seeming less nervous and willing to take more chances, but Croatia was a little more dangerous, but Wales, kept coming back and equalised with 7 seconds on the clock.

Match 2: Turkey vs. Belgium, 5-6 (2-3)

Belgium, the favourites to be promoted, initiated the game with three shots on goal and three goals, and seemed destined to a big scoreline! The Turks assumed the commitment to the contest, in the last seven minutes, with the score in 3-6, the Belgians dropped their rhythm, and the Turks kept coming back. A win for Belgium, but just!

Match 3: Hungary vs. Finland, 5-6 (3-3)

A draw (3-3) at half-time seemed about right in this game.

A similar second half, but as the Finns started to go ahead they kept their composure but the Hungarians kept coming back for more! The last minute brought the victory to the team from the North: the Finns scored and the Hungarians missed a penalty corner on the last whistle... 3 points going to the Finns.

Match 4: Portugal vs. France, 4-6 (2-3)

Good pace, enthralling skills, a close match between Portugal and France. The hosts were 2-3 down at half time. The second half began with the Portuguese drawing, a goal directly from a French error (they failed a penalty corner). A even game, with the French keeping ahead. In the dying minutes Portugal substituted the goalkeeper for a six field player and tried hard to score, but in vain. The french victory was a worthy one.

Match 5: Wales vs. Belgium, 3-8 (2-5)

Once again the Belgians set out their stall early and scored twice, but Wales, with 5 minutes played, reduced the score and contested the Belgian favouritism. After the 10th minute the sides were even (2-2).

Belgium was eager but a splendid initiative of the Belgians gave them the lead of the scoreboard, and the 16th minute consolidated (2-4) the leadership. One minute later, the 2-5.

The second half was completely controlled by the Belgians and they certainly earned their favourites title with 6 points on the Board after Day1.

Match 6: Turkey vs. Croatia, 3-8 (1-2)

This game brought the Portuguese umpire's Jorge Santos. Croatia initiated the contest scoring, dominated the possession of the ball but in the 10th minute the Turks missed two penalty corners which could have been game changing. Two minutes later the Turkish team was near the goal, but nothing to show for it. So the Croatians increased the speed and created two chances: they missed both. In the 17th minute there was a change, penalty corner and 2-0 for Croatia. In the last seconds of the first half, penalty stroke against Croatia, and 1-2. The game was hectic, with a great pose and totally challenging but the Croatian victory was a fair result with a fair score.

Match 7: France vs. Finland, 10-2 (7-0)

A fast and furious game with the French 5-0 up after 9 minutes. By the 13th it was 6-0. The second half was top class french skills with a very well deserved victory for France.

Match 8: Hungary vs. Portugal 3-1 (1-0)

The first half of this game was played very fast but with some mistakes. The Hungarians scored 1-0 in the 11th minute (penalty corner) and Portugal increased their pace to keep danger away from the goal.

The first minute of the second half and Hungary went 2-0 up and all seemed lost for the Portuguese team, nervous and upset, and the bench was down. The Portuguese fought, but seemed psychologically defeated. 3-0 finished any ray of hope. With one minute to play, Portugal was awarded penalty stroke. Carlos Silva scored 1-3 but the Hungarians deserved the 4-1, scored just before the final whistle.

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Portugal (Women) wins tournament in preparation to the Indoor Europeans

Written by euronews



Portugal won a tournament of preparation for the Eurohockey Indoor Championships, which took place this weekend in Porto.

Besides Portugal the tournament had the participation of a Canadian team – GOA Reds – and the portuguese squads of Belenenses and CAMIR.

The Bobcats won all the four games of the tournament, leaving good indications for European.

Results

07.January.12	Result
GPGOA vs Portugal	2 - 3
GPCAMIR vs GOA	2 - 9
GPPortugal vs CF "Os Belenenses"	6 - 0
GPCF "Os Belenenses" vs CAMIR	2 - 1

08.January.12	Result
GP CAMIR vs Portugal	3 - 6
GP GOA vs CF "Os Belenenses"	4 - 3
3 ^o /4 ^o CF "Os Belenenses" vs CAMIR	0 - 2
1 ^o /2 ^o Portugal vs GOA Reds	3 - 1

Ranking Groups Phases (GP)

Position	Team	GV	DL	GS	GA	Points
1 ^o	Portugal	3	3	0	15	10 6
2 ^o	GOA Reds	3	2	0	11	5 8 7 4
3 ^o	CF "Os Belenenses"	3	1	0	25	11 -6 2
4 ^o	CAMIR	3	0	0	36	17 -11 0

Final ranking

- 1^o Portugal
- 2^o GOA Reds
- 3^o CAMIR
- 4^o CF "Os Belenenses"

Vilanovense wins fourth stage of this Vets season competition (Indoor Stage)

Vilanovense won the fourth stage of the PHF Veterans Challenge, becoming the fourth team winning a stage this season.

In a competition with five teams, we had the natural good mode of the veterans and intense and disputed games between them.

Next stage will take place at Jamor, Lisbon, on March 11.

Results

08.January.12		Result
AD Lousada	GD Viso	2 - 2
Vilanovense FC	Ramaldense FC	0 - 0
Sport CP	GD Viso	1 - 2
Vilanovense FC	AD Lousada	2 - 0
Ramaldense FC	Sport CP	2 - 1
GD Viso	Vilanovense FC	0 - 4
AD Lousada	Sport CP	1 - 1
GD Viso	Ramaldense FC	0 - 0
Sport CP	Vilanovense FC	0 - 1
Ramaldense FC	AD Lousada	1 - 0

Final ranking

Position	Team	G	V	D	L	S	G	A	G	S	-GA	Points
1º	Vilanovense FC	4	3	1	0	7	0	7				17
2º	Ramaldense FC	4	2	2	3	1	2					14
3º	GD Viso	4	1	2	14	7	-3					9
4º	AD Lousada	4	0	2	23	6	-3					6
5º	Sport CP	4	0	1	33	6	-3					5

Next stages:

Stage 5, Lisbon (Jamor), March March 11, (Field Hockey, 11x11)

Stage 6, Lamas, April 22 (Field Hockey, 11x11)

Stage 7, Lousada, Jun 3, (Field Hockey, 11x11)

CAMIR wins 4th tournament of the U18 Men's Nacional Indoor Hockey Championship

CAMIR won the 4th qualifying tournament for the Men U18 Nacional Indoor Hockey Championships Finals.

The competition, which featured the debut of Viso in U18 this year, was the first won by the clube of Mirandela this season.

4th Tournament

Organizer: GD Viso

	08.January.2012		Result
SF 1	GD Viso	Sport CP	1 - 2
SF 2	CAMIR	Lisbon Casuals HC	7 - 3
3º/4º	GD Viso	Lisbon Casuals HC	0 - 6
1º/2º	Sport CP	CAMIR	2 - 7

Final ranking

1º CAMIR

2º Sport CP

3º Lisbon Casuals HC

4º GD Viso

Source: Portuguese Hockey

Women`s Senior National Indoor Hockey Championship – Lousada wins 2nd Tournament

Lousada won the 2nd Qualifying Tournament of the Women`s Senior National Indoor Hockey Championship.

The team trained by Hugo Santos won in the final against Sport Club do Porto by 2-1, while the game award for the 3rd and 4th places was won by the northeast team of CAMIR.

Game		26.November.11		Result
234	SF1	Juventude HC	AD Lousada	0 - 7
235	SF2	Sport CP	CAMIR	9 - 0
236	3 ^o /4 ^o	Juventude HC	CAMIR	1 - 5
237	1 ^o /2 ^o	AD Lousada	Sport CP	2 - 1

Ranking

1^o AD Lousada

2^o Sport CP

3^o CAMIR

4^o Juventude HC

U18 Men National Indoor Hockey Championship – Lousada wins 1st Tournament

Lousada won the 1st Qualifying Tournament for the U18 National Indoor Hockey Championships.

The team coached by Marco Santos won the first game against Sport by 7-1, beating in the final CAMIR by 4-2. In third place was the team led by Márcio Marques, who won the game against Juventude by 7-3.

Games		27.November.11		Result
238	SF1	AD Lousada	Sport CP	7 - 1
239	SF2	Juventude HC	CAMIR	3 - 7
240	3 ^o /4 ^o	Sport CP	Juventude HC	7 - 3
241	1 ^o /2 ^o	AD Lousada	CAMIR	5 - 2

Ranking

1^o AD Lousada

2^o CAMIR

3^o Sport CP

4^o Juventude HC

Portugal: Development Visit to Portugal 17-20 November 2011



Written by curonews



CDO Norman Hughes visited Portugal recently to attend their

National Hockey Day and also hold discussions with the Portuguese Hockey Federation about the "Building a New Generation for Hockey" project.

On Day 1 we visited Óscar Lopes secondary school in quite a deprived area of Porto where the club Sport Clube do Porto has strong links and helps to staff weekly hockey training sessions for U16-U12 boys and girls. The programme is headed up by the teacher Maria do Céu Mota but 1st team players and coaches from Sport Clube do Porto Hockey Club assist with the training which is held in a very good Indoor Hall at the school.

That evening we joined an on line Coaches seminar discussing Coordination and Strength training. This online seminar used a combination of U Stream and Skype chat. The seminar lasted 90 minutes and was conducted by a specialist in physiology. Coaches at home in Lisbon, Lousada and Porto linked online to join this seminar. Portugal is using this facility for both the Level 1 and Level 2 Coach Awards. CDO left with Portugal some Level 1 and Level 2 hockey specific resources to help these seminars.

On Day 2 the long drive from Porto to Lisbon ended with a visit to the National Sports Training Centre at Jamor in Lisbon. Here the team collected 4 hockey goals to be used the next day for the National Hockey Day Festival. Then onto Casa Pia in central Lisbon to set up the venue for Saturday's event. Casa Pia is a special school for abandoned children. Their hockey team is coached by former student Sergio Ferreira.

On Day 3 we attended the National Hockey Day Festival which is a mix of Veterans, U16, U12 and School teams. The 7 a side half pitch format was used for all the ages and young and older leaders, umpires and officials took charge of the tournament. Schools play 3 and 4 a side in a 20 m x 22 m pitch. CDO even was invited to play for Lisbon Casuals in the Veterans event!

Source: Norman Hughes, BHF CDO

Photograph: Norman playing for the Lisbon Casuals, Vets team

Talks with the President, Vice Presidents and the staff as well as key figures from various clubs proved that Portuguese Hockey Federation and their clubs are working hard to grow the base of hockey locally. Many challenges lie ahead but news that the Ministry of Education had just approved hockey as an Official After School sport only help the project. Step by step it is hoped that numbers and quality grows in Portuguese hockey

Portugal - Norman Hughes EHF CDO in Portugal



Written by euronews



Norman Hughes, Continental Development Officer (CDO) of the European Hockey Federation (EHF), was in Portugal between 17th and 19th November. Norman is pictured (centre) with players and coaches.

His visit was intended to follow the work that is being done by the Portuguese Hockey Federation (PHF) in terms of developing players and coaches, which resulted in a Grant by the EHF.

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In other news from Portugal:

Women`s Senior National Indoor Hockey Championship – 1st Qualifying Tournament

Belenenses won the 1st qualifying tournament for the Finals of the Women`s Sénior National Indoor Hockey Championship. The formation of Belem played and gain victories in their home field in Restelo Pavilion, against Lisbon Casuals and Lousada respectively by 3-0 and 2-0.

In the next weekend the Championship will be continued in its 2nd Tournament in Infante Sagres Pavilion in Porto, in a race organized by Sport Club do Porto. Game		20.November.11	Result
231	CF "Os Belenenses"	Lisbon Casuals HC	3 - 0
232	Lisbon Casuals HC	AD Lousada	1 - 1
233	AD Lousada	CF "Os Belenenses"	0 - 2

Portugal - League update

Written by euronews



Men's Senior National Hockey Championship –

Académica de Espinho goes ahead

Academic de Espinho won the most anticipated meeting later this week. The victory was against Lousada by 4-3, defeating this away for the first time the national champions. In Porto derby, Viso won the match by 1-0 facing Sport, and with this second consecutive victory for the team of Nuno Oliveira, Viso is now near to the point of access of the playoffs.

Other team that is doing a good season's start is Lisbon Casuals, who won their two games of the weekend and reached fourth place. Fut. Benfica also won but is in the fifth place, because has an inferior goal difference comparing to Lisbon Casuals.

Ranking Position	Team	G	V	D	L	GS	GA	GS-GA	Points
1º	AD Lousada	6	5	0	1	22	11	11	26
2º	AA Espinho	6	5	0	1	21	12	9	26
3º	CFU Lamas	6	4	0	2	21	13	8	22
4º	Lisbon Casuals HC	6	3	0	3	19	10	9	18
5º	CF Benfica	6	3	1	2	17	11	6	18
6º	GD Viso	6	2	1	3	13	17	-4	14
7º	Sport CP	6	2	1	3	8	13	-5	14
8º	GD Carris	5	1	0	4	13	16	-3	9
9º	Juventude HC	7	0	1	6	12	43	-31	5

Women's Senior National Hockey Championship – Casuals leading

Took place this weekend more three games of the Women's Senior National Field Hockey Championship took place this weekend.

In Jamor, Casuals and Belenenses played and won against Juventude and Camir, respectively, while Sport and Lousada ended the match with 1-1 tie.

With these results, Lisbon Casuals continues in front of the regular phase of the tournament, followed by Lousada and Sport, respectively in 2nd and 3rd place.

Ranking Position	Team	G	V	D	L	GS	GA	GS-GA	Points
1º	Lisbon Casuals HC	5	4	0	1	18	4	14	20
2º	AD Lousada	4	2	1	1	8	4	4	13
3º	Sport CP	3	2	1	0	13	2	11	12
4º	CF "Os	4	2	0	2	12	6	6	11
5º	CAMIR	3	1	0	2	8	8	0	6
6º	Juventude HC	5	0	0	5	0	35	-35	0

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Portugal: Veterans: Viso wins the competition in Porto



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Viso won the second stage of the Veterans Championship this season. The club, which has not participated in any competition since 2008, became the ninth team to win a stage of the Veterans Championship.

This stage, realized in Viso's field, was marked by the game of the superstars of others times and, as usual, by a healthy interaction of all present.

30.October.11

GD Viso	Vilanovense FC	2 - 1
CFU Lamas	Sport CP	0 - 0
Vilanovense FC	CFU Lamas	0 - 0
Sport CP	GD Viso	0 - 0
Sport CP	Vilanovense FC	1 - 0
GD Viso	CFU Lamas	2 - 0

Men's Senior National Field Hockey Championship – Viso wins for the first time

Viso won his first game in the National Championship, beating the Lamas by 5-3. With this result Viso jumps to the sixth position of the ranking (it was in last place). In the other game of this weekend, Académica de Espinho faced and won against Fut. Benfica 5-1, and that leads the team to be with one of the teams, along Lousada and Lamas, which are isolated at the top of the rank list.

Game, 6ª Jornada – 29.October.11, Result

24	CFU Lamas	GD Viso	3 - 5
25	AA Espinho	CF Benfica	5 - 1

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Portugal - Lousada in the lead



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On Saturday, the current National Champion Lousada, played against Sport and won the game for 6-1, and Juventude, also in Lousada's field, faced Académica de Espinho and suffered a defeat by 3-1. In the other match of the weekend, held this Sunday, Lamas won against Casuals 2-1.

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With these results, Lousada continues to lead the competition with 25 points, followed by Lamas with 21 points, after them is Académica de Espinho with 16 points, and Fut. Benfica with 13 points. Game		Day 5 – 22.October 11	Result
20	Juventude HC	AA Espinho	1 - 3
23	AD Lousada	Sport CP	6 - 1

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FIH President, Leandro Negre and EHF General Secretary, R.David Balbirnie in Portugal



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FIH President, Leandro Negre (pictured right) and EHF General Secretary, R.David Balbirnie (left) were recently in Lousada, Portugal at the EuroHockey Indoor Club Champions Trophy and also took time to visit the office of the Portuguese Hockey Federation and make a presentation to the President of the Portuguese Hockey Federation, Mr. Jose Pedro Sarmento.

Both of them spoke to Marcos Castro, Communications Manager, Portuguese Hockey Federation

To see R.David Balbirnie's interview, click here:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uj2X3jRdego>

To see Leandro Negre's interview, click here:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mluZnTPnWn0>