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Canada, Finland, Sweden and the United States continue round robin play in Finland



Tampere, Finland – Tuesday, November 2, 2010 – Canada came very close to capturing a coveted win over Finland on day two of the 2010 world ringette championship, but the reigning world champions scored with five seconds left in the game to beat the Canadians 9-8.

Calgary's Barb Bautista opened up the scoring just under three minutes into the game and the Canadians went on to dominate the first two periods, going into the half tied at four. The first half saw Finnish goalie Heidi Ahlberg face 26 shots and Edmonton's Keely Brown face 17. In the second half, the Finns took 31 shots to Canada's 15. Rookie Andrea Ferguson from Winnipeg picked up a hat trick in the game, Bautista scored a pair and singles came from Kailee Dundas (Hussar), Victoria Russell (Calgary) and Jackie Gaudet (Cambridge). Finland's Salla Kyhälä scored four goals, including the winner and was also named player of the game. Ferguson was player of the game for Canada. The game was officiated by Natalie Fortin from Limoges, Ontario and Veera Lempiäinen from Turku, Finland.

Head coach Lyndsay Wheelans spoke very positively about her team's performance immediately following the game. "Overall we definitely played really well. Andrea had a great game and really got the ring to the net. The Finns are a very strong offensive team and we cannot back down for one moment. The exhibition game against the Finns on Saturday allowed us to get some of the nerves out and we were much more disciplined in today's game."

Interviews were done immediately following the game with Calgary's Barb Bautista who had two goals and one assist in the game - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Bud4Pe8OMcs> and Winnipeg's Andrea Ferguson who had a hat trick in the game - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d2qZIQDF9jo>

Sweden faced another tough day on the ice, being shut out 22-0 by Team USA. Team captain Catherine Cartier posted an impressive six goals and three assist for the US and was named player of the game. Sweden's Linnea Ulfheden faced 61 shots, while US goalies Heather Konkin and Katie McNeil faced seven shots each. The player of the game for Sweden was Elina Jalineus. The game was officiated by Kevin Lee from Mississauga, Ontario and Katriina Keskitalo from Vantaa, Finland.

Round robin play finishes tomorrow and then starting Thursday the top two teams will play in a best of three series for gold and the bottom two teams will play in a best of three series for bronze. Finland currently holds the world title after downing Canada at the 2007 world ringette championships in Ottawa, Ontario.

Results for Tuesday, November 2, 2010 at the 2010 world ringette championship in Tampere, Finland:

USA 22 Sweden 0

Finland 9 Canada 8

Tomorrow's schedule includes the following games (all local times in Finland):

13:00 Canada vs. USA

16:00 Finland vs. Sweden

More information on the event can be found at [www.ringette.ca](http://www.ringette.ca). Full game summaries and stats can be accessed through the results link at [http://www.leaguestat.com/ringettecanada/worlds/en/stats/schedule.php?season\\_id=](http://www.leaguestat.com/ringettecanada/worlds/en/stats/schedule.php?season_id=). The Team Canada Media Guide can be accessed by clicking on the Media Guide link on the following page: <http://www.ringette.ca/content/Major%20Events/WRC/2010/Main.asp?langid=1>

Professional photos from today's games can be accessed through the following link:

<http://www.wrc2010.fi/en/MEDIA+/Photo+bank.html> and additional photos can be access through the Ringette Canada photo sharing site at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/ringettecanada/>.

The event can be followed live using the stats link mentioned above, as well as through Twitter at [www.twitter.com/redringette](http://www.twitter.com/redringette). Good luck messages can be sent to Team Canada at [gocanadago@ringette.ca](mailto:gocanadago@ringette.ca).

The gold medal series will be webcast live and the link and details for the webcast can be accessed through the Ringette Canada website at [www.ringette.ca](http://www.ringette.ca).

#### About Ringette

Ringette is a Canadian sport that was invented in 1963 in North Bay, Ontario by the late Sam Jacks. There are currently nearly 29,000 players on nearly 2,000 teams across Canada with over 2,400 officials and 5,000 coaches. Internationally, it is played in half a dozen other countries around the world. Ringette has been designated a Heritage Sport by Sport Canada and as part of the Sport for Life movement, ringette is well advanced at adapting Sport Canada's Long Term Athlete Development model. For more information, please refer to the Ringette Canada Web site at [www.ringette.ca](http://www.ringette.ca).

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