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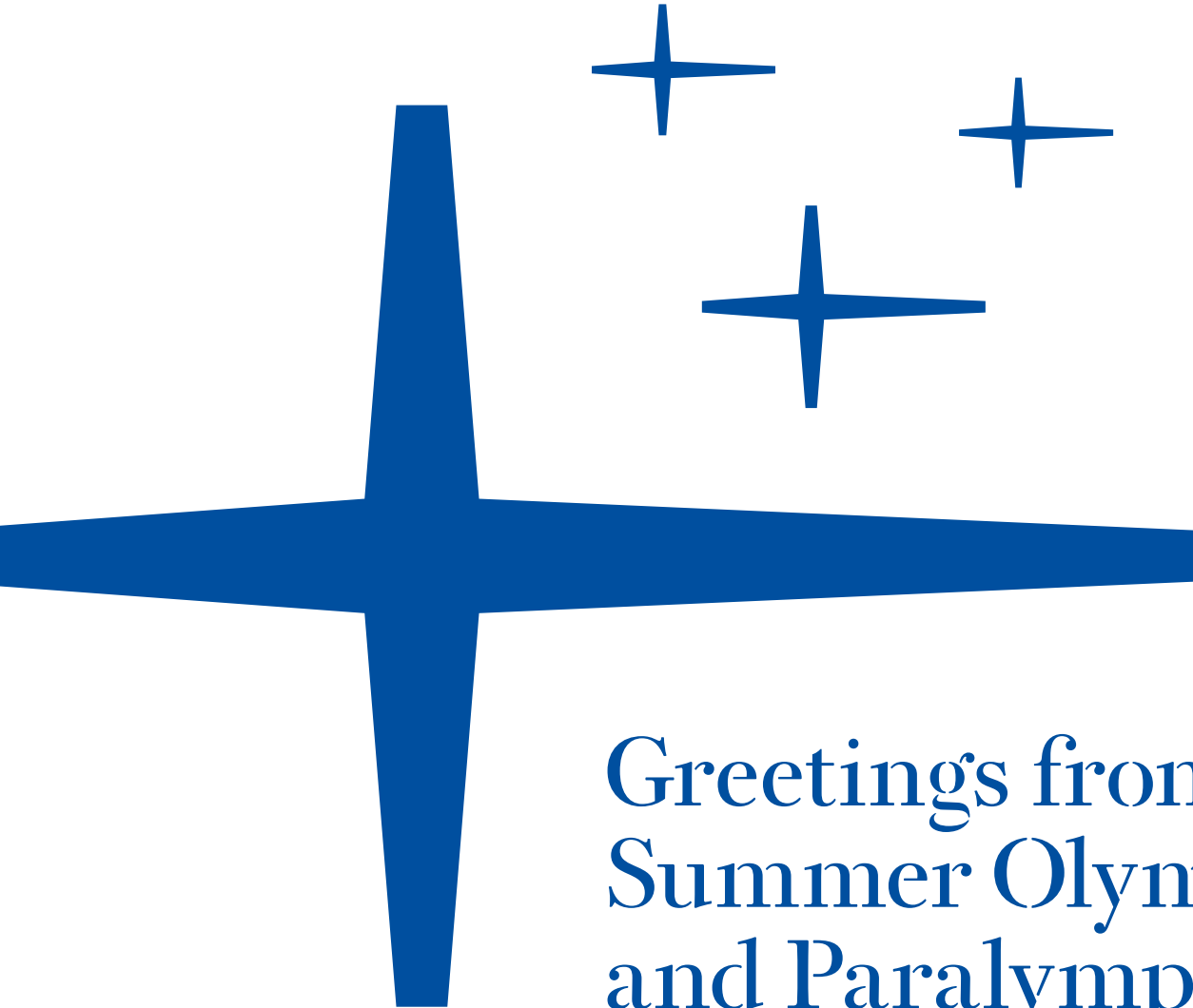
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Greetings from Summer Olympians and Paralympians



Mira Potkonen

Boxing, Olympic Bronze Medalist 2016

Olympic Games offer a chance to do something unique, something that you have always dreamed of. The most important thing is to keep the faith, maintain inner peace, and concentrate on your own routines. I highly appreciate winter athletes and follow closely winter Olympics. Among all the great winter sports, snowboarding is my favorite. Good luck for the Finnish team in PyeongChang, fight on!



Jarkko Nieminen

Tennis, Olympian 2004, 2008 and 2012

Olympics are the most inspiring of all the sporting events. For an individual athlete, Olympics offer a chance to become a part of a great team, feel exceptional friendship, and share unforgettable experiences with the other athletes. In winter Olympics, my favorite sport is ice hockey, but I also enjoy watching cross-country skiing and ski jumping. Olympic Games is the greatest competition, and it gives you lifelong memories. Go on and enjoy!



Leo-Pekka Tähti

Wheelchair T54, Paralympic Champion 2004, 2008, 2012 and 2016

Great games ahead! In winter games I will follow especially cross country skiing, biathlon, ice hockey and of course all the paralympic events. My own guidelines for preparing to major championships are: Keep the right persons close to you, forget all the unnecessary things, and trust on your own style. Best of luck for all the Finnish athletes, this is your moment, go and seize it!

Alpine Skiing

Finnish Alpine skiers took part at the Olympic Games for the first time in St. Moritz 1948. It took 50 more years before results began to show, however. In Nagano 1998 Kalle Palander finished ninth in men's slalom, and in Salt Lake 2002 Henna Raita was eighth in women's slalom. In Turin 2006 Finland finally entered the medal table when Tanja Poutiainen won silver in women's giant slalom. Poutiainen was sixth in slalom in Vancouver 2010. In Sochi her – and Finland's – best result was twelfth place in slalom.

Andreas Romar



*September 4, 1989 Korsholm
190 cm, 92 kg
CLUB: Vasa Skidklubb
COACH: Thomas Ericson

Andreas Romar has been Finland's lonely hope in speed events for many years, ever since his bronze medal in downhill at the World Junior Championships of 2009. In 2013 Romar finished fifth in downhill and fourth in Alpine combined at the World Championships in Schladming. In World Cup races his best results have been three seventh places, all in Super-G. In the past few years Romar has had more than his fair share of bad luck: he missed the 2014 Olympic season due to heel injury, hurt his knee in a bad crash in February 2015 and suffered another serious knee accident in February 2016.

Instagram: andreasromar
Twitter: AndreasRomar

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2010 GS 30th, DH 42nd, SG dnf, SL dnf, AC dnf.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2007 WCh SG 48th, DH 42nd, AC dnf.
2009 WCh SL dnf, WJCh DH bronze.
2011 WCh GS 27th, DH 27th, AC 9th, SG dnf.
2013 WCh SG 17th, DH 5th, AC 4th.
2015 WCh DH 31st, AC 7th, SG dnf.

EVENT:
Downhill,
Super-G,
Alpine Combined

Samu Torsti



*September 5, 1991 Vaasa
187 cm, 84 kg
CLUB: Vasa Skidklubb
COACH: Tuomas Uotila

Samu Torsti is a giant slalom specialist who made his debut in the Finnish senior national team in 2011. The 2016/17 season marked Torsti's breakthrough: he placed tenth in the World Cup race in Adelboden, won a European Cup race in Davos and finished second in the European Cup standings in giant slalom. By coincident, both Finland's representatives in Alpine skiing in Pyeongchang hail from Vaasa, a coastal town in the flattest part of the country. Their home hill, Öjberget, has a vertical drop of only 45 metres.

Instagram: samutorsti

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2014 GS 21st.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2011 WCh GS 32nd.
2013 WCh GS 32nd.
2015 WCh GS 21st.
2017 WCh GS dnf.

EVENT:
Giant Slalom



Team Management



Janne Haarala
Head Coach



Thomas Ericson
Coach



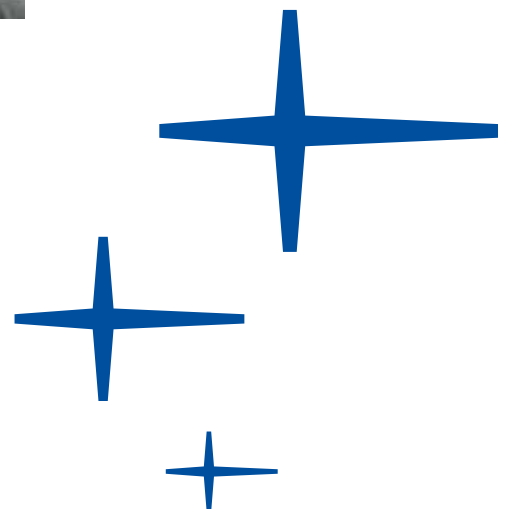
Jukka Leino
Coach



Robert Horvat
Service



Robert Kristan
Service



Biathlon

Finland has won a total of six Olympic medals in biathlon but never yet a golden one. The most successful Finnish Olympic biathlete has been Heikki Ikola, who won a total of three silver medals in 1972 and 1976. The latest medal has been Ville Rääkkönen's bronze in men's sprint in Nagano 1998. The best Olympic achievement of Finnish women so far is sixth place by Kaisa Mäkäräinen in the mass start race in Sochi 2014.

Tuomas Grönman



*September 19, 1991 Anjalankoski
182 cm, 70 kg
CLUB: Kontiolahden Urheilijat

Tuomas Grönman anchored Finland to eighth place in mixed relay at the World Cup event in Östersund at the start of this season. He was also involved when the Finnish mixed relay team finished tenth at the World Championships of 2017 in Hochfilzen. Grönman's best individual World Cup result so far is 20th place in 20 kilometres in Östersund in 2016. In this season he has finished 25th in sprint in Anterselva. In his junior years Grönman used to play football for his home town club MyPa.

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ACHIEVEMENTS:

2015 WCh 10 km 103rd, relay 13th.

2016 WCh 10 km 89th, 20 km 88th, relay 19th, mixed relay 18th.

2017 WCh 10 km 66th, relay 20th, mixed relay 10th.

Olli Hiidensalo



*February 2, 1991 Nummi-Pusula
184 cm, 82 kg
CLUB: Lahden Hiihtoseura
COACH: Jarmo Riski

Olli Hiidensalo skied the anchor leg when the Finnish mixed relay team finished ninth at the World Championships of 2015 in Kontiolahti and tenth two years later in Hochfilzen. Hiidensalo has been successful at national level in three different sports: in addition to biathlon medals he has won two Finnish championship relay titles in cross-country skiing and a junior relay championship medal in orienteering. Hiidensalo studies for a degree in industrial management at the Tampere University of Technology.

📧 ollihiidensalo
🐦 OlliHiidensalo

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2015 WCh 10 km 85th, 20 km 64th, relay 13th, mixed relay 9th.

2016 WCh 10 km 55th, pursuit 51st, 20 km 85th, relay 19th, mixed relay 18th.

2017 WCh 10 km 48th, pursuit 36th, 20 km 49th, relay 20th, mixed relay 10th.



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Tero Seppälä



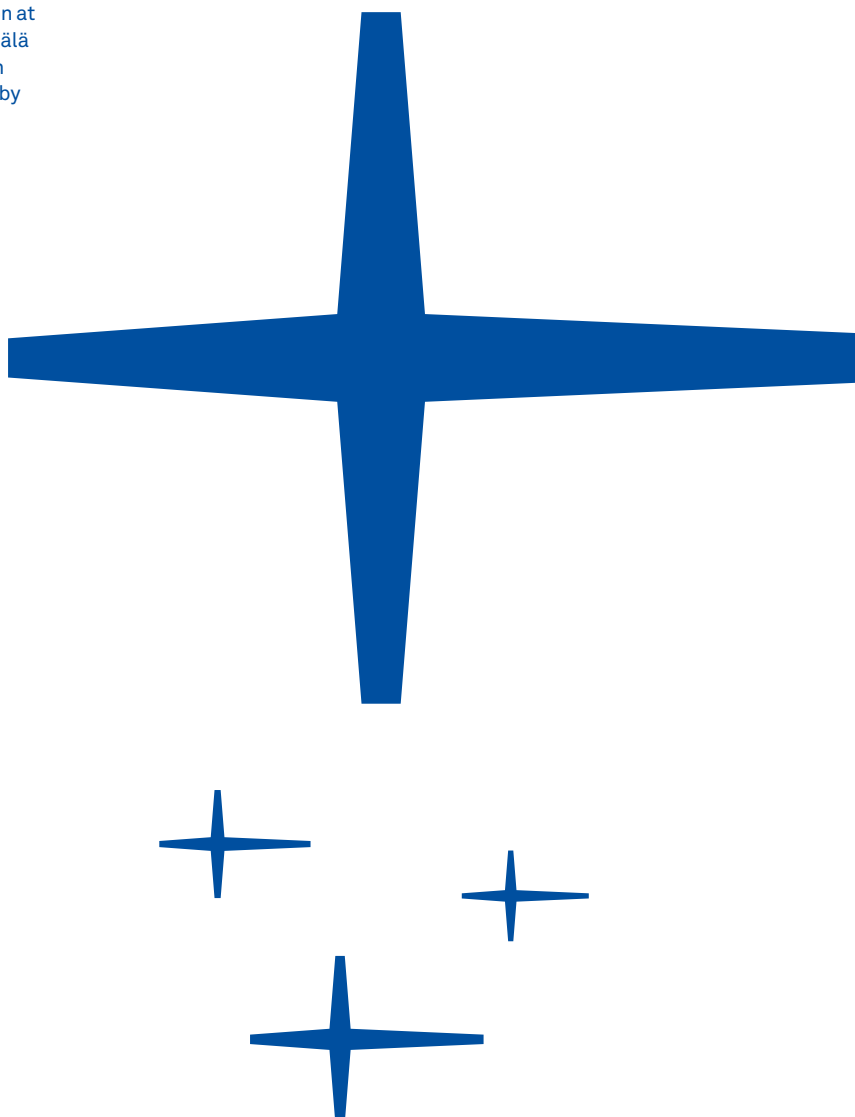
*January 25, 1996 Järvenpää
182 cm, 67 kg
CLUB: Haapajärven Kiilat
COACH: Timo Seppälä

Tero Seppälä will become a second-generation Olympic biathlete in Pyeongchang: his father and coach Timo Seppälä competed for Finland in Lillehammer 1994. Tero finished eighth in 15 kilometres at the World Junior Championships of 2017. The Olympic season has seen him earn his first World Cup points in the sprint competition at Hochfilzen in December. Seppälä studies for a forestry degree in Joensuu and trains in the nearby biathlon hotbed Kontiolahti.

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ACHIEVEMENTS:

2017 WCh 10 km 71st, 20 km 79th, relay 20th. WJCh 8th 15 km.



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Biathlon

Mari Laukkanen



*November 9, 1987 Eno
171 cm, 58 kg
CLUB: Enon Kisa-Pojat
COACH: Heikki Pusa

Mari Laukkanen rose to a new level as a biathlete in the 2016/17 season: she finished fourth in 15 kilometres at the World Championships in Hochfilzen and took her first two World Cup victories during the final weekend in Oslo. Laukkanen has won four World Championship medals at junior levels in cross-country skiing, and she has made forays into that sport every now and then, finishing 15th in sprint in Sochi 2014 and eighth at the 2017 World Championships in Lahti. Laukkanen lives and trains in Austria, where her fiancé works as service manager of the national biathlon team.

📧 mari_laukkanen
👤 mari_laukkanen

BIATHLON:

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2010 7.5 km 68th, 15 km 43rd.

2014 7.5 km 36th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2006 EurJCh pursuit gold.

2007 WCh 7.5 km 43rd, pursuit dq, relay 12th, mixed relay 16th.

2008 WCh 7.5 km 34th, pursuit 33rd, 15 km 47th, relay 15th, mixed relay 10th.

2009 WCh 7.5 km 55th, pursuit 47th, relay 15th, mixed relay 6th.

2010 WCh mixed relay 18th.

2011 WCh 7.5 km 29th, pursuit dq, 15 km 41st, relay 10th, mixed relay 9th.

2012 WCh 7.5 km 15th, pursuit 25th, 15 km 60th, mass start 27th, relay 18th, mixed relay 16th.

2013 WCh 7.5 km 60th, pursuit 46th, 15 km 63rd, relay 21st, mixed relay 18th.

2015 WCh 7.5 km 16th, pursuit 30th, 15 km 65th, relay 17th, mixed relay 9th.

2016 WCh 7.5 km 52nd, pursuit 45th, mixed relay 18th.

2017 WCh 7.5 km 57th, 15 km 4th, relay 15th, mixed relay 10th.

World Cup: 2 wins.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING:

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 sprint (F) 15th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2007 WJCh relay bronze.

2008 WU23Ch sprint (F) bronze.

2009 WU23Ch sprint (C) silver.

2010 WU23Ch sprint (F) gold.

2017 WCh sprint (F) 8th.

Venla Lehtonen

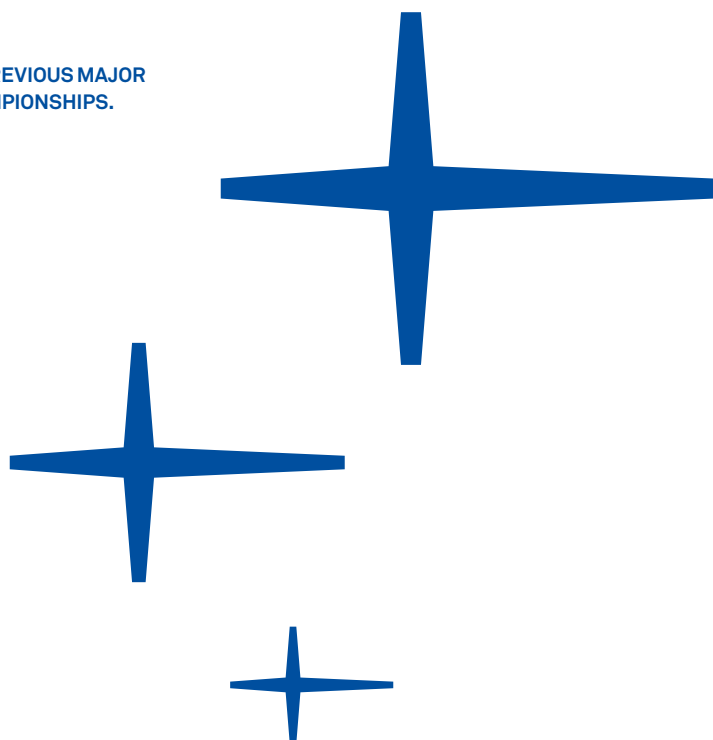


*March 10, 1995 Imatra
167 cm, 53 kg
CLUB: Imatran Urheilijat
COACH: Heikki Pusa

Venla Lehtonen will make her Olympic debut much earlier than she may have presumed: she changed from cross-country skiing to biathlon only three years ago. She competed at the World Cup circuit for the first time in December 2017. In January in Oberhof Lehtonen skied the opening leg when Finland finished seventh in women's relay, thus reaching the target set by the Finnish Olympic Committee for selecting the full women's biathlon team for Pyeongchang.

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NO PREVIOUS MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.



Kaisa Mäkäräinen



*January 11, 1983 Ristijärvi

171 cm, 57 kg

CLUB: Kontiolahden Urheilijat

COACH: Jarmo Punkkinen

Kaisa Mäkäräinen has been the most successful Finnish winter sports athlete in this decade. She comes to Pyeongchang as the current leader of women's biathlon World Cup. Mäkäräinen has won the cup crown twice before and gathered a total of 22 victories over the course of seven years, the most recent one in January 2018 in Ruhpolding. Medals at major championships have often eluded her, however: she won her only World Championship gold, first of its kind for Finland in women's biathlon, back in 2011 in Khanty-Mansiysk, for which she was duly voted Finnish Athlete of the Year. At the Olympic Games Mäkäräinen's best result so far is sixth place in the mass start race in Sochi 2014.

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🐦 kmakarainen

BIATHLON:

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2010 7.5 km 59th, pursuit 45th, 15 km 46th.

2014 7.5 km 30th, pursuit 16th, 15 km 9th, mass start 6th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2005 WCh 7.5 km 73rd, 15 km 49th, relay 18th.

2006 WCh mixed relay 19th.

2007 WCh 7.5 km 29th, pursuit 25th, 15 km 8th, mass start 7th, relay 12th, mixed relay 16th.

2008 WCh 7.5 km 55th, 15 km 31st, mass start 15th, relay 15th, mixed relay 10th.

2009 WCh 7.5 km 23rd, pursuit 4th, 15 km 30rd, mass start 17th, mixed relay 6th.

2010 WCh mixed relay 18th.

2011 WCh 7.5 km silver, pursuit gold, 15 km 28th, mass start 4th, relay 10th, mixed relay 9th.

2012 WCh 7.5 km 27th, pursuit 20th, 15 km 28th, mass start bronze, relay 18th, mixed relay 16th.

2013 WCh 7.5 km 9th, pursuit 10th, 15 km 8th, mass start 17th, relay 21st, mixed relay 18th.

2015 WCh 7.5 km 35th, pursuit 12th, 15 km bronze, mass start 15th, relay 17th, mixed relay 9th.

2016 WCh 7.5 km 9th, pursuit 7th, 15 km 19th, mass start bronze, relay 17th, mixed relay 18th.

2017 WCh 7.5 km 12th, pursuit 7th, 15 km 15th, mass start bronze, relay 15th, mixed relay 10th.

WORLD CUP: 22 wins. Overall champion in 2010/11 and 2013/14.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING:

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2013 WCh sprint (F) 14th.

Suvi Minkkinen



*December 8, 1994 Joutsa

176 cm, 65 kg

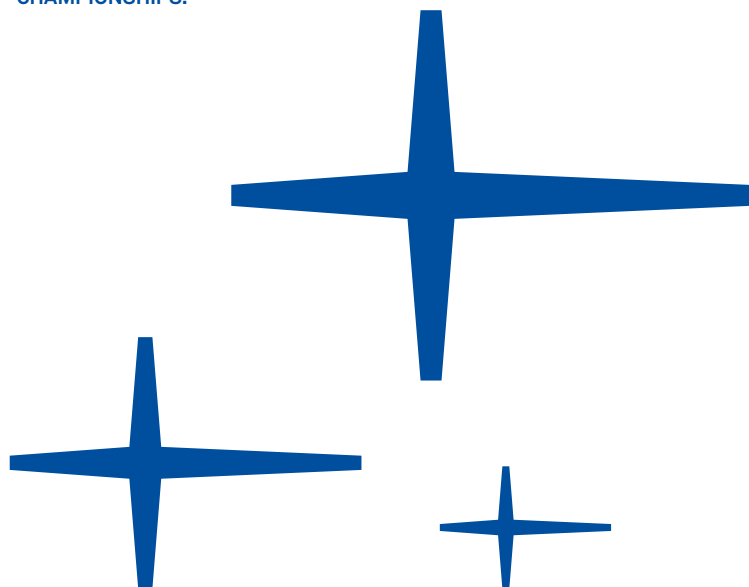
CLUB: Joutsan Pommi

COACH: Mikko Viitanen

Suvi Minkkinen has made her debut at the biathlon World Cup in this season. She has gained previous international experience at the IBU Cup, World Junior Championships and the Winter Universiade of 2015 in Brezno-Osrblie, Slovakia. Minkkinen is a student at the Business School of the University of Eastern Finland, located in Joensuu near the biathlon center of Kontiolahti.

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NO PREVIOUS MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS.



Biathlon

Laura Toivanen



*July 21, 1988 Polvijärvi
176 cm, 62 kg
CLUB: Enon Kisa-Pojat
COACH: Marko Laaksonen

Laura Toivanen won her first Finnish championship title in 2010 and made her debut at the World Championships one year later. Some quieter years followed, coinciding with her studies at the University of Jyväskylä. After graduating with a degree in sports medicine in 2016 she has concentrated on her biathlon career again. In January 2018 Toivanen anchored Finland to seventh place in the relay race in Oberhof and two weeks later gained her first World Cup points in Anterselva. Laura's younger brother Ahti Toivanen represented Finland in biathlon at the Olympic Games in Sochi 2014.

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ACHIEVEMENTS:

2011 WCh 15 km 49th, relay 10th.

2016 WCh 15 km 71th, relay 17th.

2017 WCh 7.5 km 90th, relay 15th.

Team Management



Antti Leppävuori
Head Coach



Ville Kotikumpu
Coach



Pekka Kemppi
Head of Service



Juha Kankkunen
Service



Jari Sahakangas
Service



Jarkko Siltakorpi
Service



Cross-Country

Finland is one of the most successful nations in the history of cross-country skiing. Finnish skiers have won a total of 76 Olympic medals (20 gold, 24 silver and 32 bronze) since the start of the Winter Games in 1924. Finland's first Olympic skiing champion was Veli Saarinen, who won gold in 50 kilometres in Lake Placid 1932. When women's cross-country skiing became an Olympic sport in Oslo 1952, Finnish women led by Lydia Wideman swept all three medals in the inaugural 10-kilometre competition. The most successful Finnish Olympic skiers of all time have been Veikko Hakulinen, Eero Mäntyranta and Marja-Liisa Kirvesniemi (née Hämmäläinen), all with three gold and seven overall medals.

Finnish women have won five Olympic medals in cross-country skiing in the 21st century, and Aino-Kaisa Saarinen has been involved in all of them: after taking bronze in team sprint in 2006 and bronze in both 30 kilometres and relay in 2010 she won silver with Kerttu Niskanen in team sprint as well as silver in relay in Sochi 2014. The third Finnish medal in Sochi was the brightest one: Iivo Niskanen and Sami Jauhojärvi won the men's team sprint final to take Finland's first Olympic gold in skiing since 1998.

Ristomatti Hakola



*April 15, 1991 Kankaanpää
182 cm, 79 kg
CLUB: Jämin Jänne
COACH: Antti Hagqvist

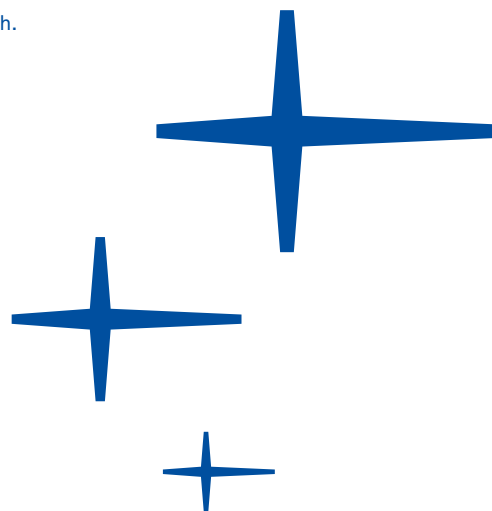
Ristomatti Hakola has achieved his best international results so far in sprints, but he is a useful skier in distance events as well, as attested by his Finnish championship titles in 50 kilometres back in 2012 and skiathlon in January 2018. His ninth place in sprint was the best individual achievement of Finnish male skiers at the World Championships of 2015. Two years later in Lahti he finished sixth. The Olympic season has already seen Hakola qualify for three finals in World Cup sprints, in both two techniques. Hakola serves as a non-commissioned officer in charge of sports education of military conscripts. He has also enrolled to study law at the University of Lapland.

Instagram: [@rmhakola](#)
Twitter: [RmHakola](#)

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2015 WCh sprint (C) 9th, 50 km (C/ms) 38th.

2017 WCh sprint (F) 6th.



Matti Heikkinen



*December 19, 1983 Kajaani
174 cm, 61 kg
CLUB: Vantaan Hiihtoseura
COACH: Toni Roponen

Matti Heikkinen made his breakthrough into world skiing elite by winning bronze in 15 kilometres at the World Championships of 2009 in Liberec. Two years later in Oslo he won gold in the same event, Finland's first world title in men's skiing in this millennium. Heikkinen has usually been more successful in Classical technique, but the year 2017 saw him win his first medal in a Freestyle race, World Championship bronze in 50 kilometres in front of home crowd in Lahti. During the same season he made his final breakthrough in the World Cup circuit, finishing fifth in overall points and fifth at the Tour de Ski. Father of three, Heikkinen studies for a marketing degree at the University of Jyväskylä.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2010 15 km (F) 39th,
2x15 km (C+F) dnf, relay 5th.

2014 15 km (C) 20th, 2x15 km (C+F)
36th, 50 km (F/ms) 13th, relay 5th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2009 WCh 15 km (C) bronze, 2x15 km (C+F) 11th, 50 km (F/ms) 37th, relay bronze.

2011 WCh 15 km (C) gold, 2x15 km (C+F) 18th, relay 4th.

2013 WCh 15 km (F) 12th, 2x15 km (C+F) 17th, 50 km (C/ms) 25th, relay 5th.

2015 WCh 15 km (F) 21st, 2x15 km (C+F) 16th, 50 km (C/ms) 20th, relay 8th.

2017 WCh 15 km (C) 11th, 2x15 km (C+F) 18th, 50 km (F/ms) bronze, relay 5th.

WORLD CUP: 4 wins.

Perttu Hyvärinen



*June 5, 1991 Kuopio

189 cm, 81 kg

CLUB: Riistaveden Urheilijat

COACH: Mikko Virtanen

Perttu Hyvärinen won three medals at the World Junior Championships of 2011 in Otepää, Estonia. At senior level he made his debut in 2015 at the World Championships in Falun. His best result in World Cup races so far is fifteenth place in 15 kilometres at Ruka in 2016. Hyvärinen studies for a forestry degree at the University of Eastern Finland in Joensuu. His favourite hobbies are fishing and working at the family farm.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2009 EYOF 10 km (F) gold, 7.5 km (C) bronze.

2011 WJCh 10 km (F) bronze, 2x10 km (C+F) bronze, relay bronze.

2015 WCh 15 km (F) 25th.

2017 WCh 2x15 km (C+F) 30th, 50 km (F/ms) 44th.

Martti Jylhä



*June 3, 1987 Sotkamo

184 cm, 76 kg

CLUB: Vuokatti Ski Team Kainuu

COACH: Jarmo Riski

Martti Jylhä won gold in 10 kilometres at the World Junior Championships in Tarvisio, Italy in 2007, but in senior ranks he has concentrated on sprint races. At the World Championships of 2015 in Falun Jylhä finished fifth in team sprint with Ville Nousiainen. Two years later he placed seventh in the individual event in Lahti. In the World Cup Jylhä's best result is second place in Davos in December 2013. Jylhä used to play pesäpallo (Finnish baseball) at top national level in his junior years. His father Reijo Jylhä is the head coach of the Finnish cross-country team but no longer serves as his individual coach.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 sprint (F) 21st, 50 km (F/ms) dnf.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2007 WJCh 10 km (F) gold, sprint (C) silver.

2009 WCh sprint (F) 33rd.

2011 WCh sprint (F) 22nd.

2015 WCh team sprint (F) 5th.

2017 WCh sprint (F) 7th.

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Cross-Country

Lari Lehtonen



* June 21, 1987 Imatra
176 cm, 71 kg
CLUB: Imatran Urheilijat
COACH: Teemu Pasanen

Lari Lehtonen has become a permanent fixture in Finnish cross-country teams at major championships since his debut in Vancouver 2010. Equally at ease with Classical and Freestyle technique, Lehtonen has given solid performances over the years, the best of which resulted in ninth place in the skiathlon race at the World Championships of 2017 in Lahti.

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🐦 LehtonenLari

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2010 2x15 km (C+F) 33rd, 50 km (C/ms) 43rd.

2014 2x15 km (C+F) 34th, 50 km (F/ms) 21th, relay 5th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2005 EYOF 7.5 km (C) gold, 10 km (F) silver.

2011 WCh 2x15 km (C+F) 43rd.

2013 WCh 15 km (F) 20th, 2x15 km (C+F) 26th, 50 km (C/ms) 22nd, relay 5th.

2015 WCh 15 km (F) 23rd, 2x15 km (C+F) 22nd, 50 km (C/ms) dnf.

2017 WCh 15 km (C) 24th, 2x15 km (C+F) 9th, 50 km (F/ms) 23rd, relay 5th.

Iivo Niskanen



* January 12, 1992 Oulu
187 cm, 80 kg
CLUB: Vuokatti Ski Team Kainuu
COACH: Olli Ohtonen

Iivo Niskanen made a spectacular debut at major championships in Sochi 2014. He finished fourth in 15 kilometres after losing the bronze by only 0.2 seconds and in the team sprint joined forces with the experienced Sami Jauhojärvi to win the first Olympic gold medal for Finnish skiing in 16 years. Icing to the cake were two silver medals won by his elder sister Kerttu. After a couple of quieter years Niskanen returned to the fore at the home World Championships in Lahti 2017: he won gold in the 15-kilometre Classical technique race and probably lost another one after crashing in the final bend of the team sprint final. Niskanen was duly voted Finnish Athlete of the Year for the second time after winning the prize together with Jauhojärvi in 2014.

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🐦 iivoNiskanen

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 15 km (C) 4th, 2x15 km (C+F) 22nd, 50 km (F/ms) 8th, team sprint (C) gold, relay 5th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

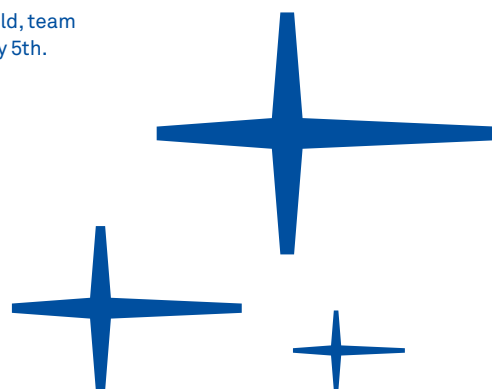
2011 WJCh 4x5 km bronze.

2014 WU23Ch 15 km (C) gold.

2015 WCh 2x15 km (C+F) 26th, relay 8th.

2017 WCh 15 km (C) gold, team sprint (C) bronze, relay 5th.

WORLD CUP: 2 wins.



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Anssi Pentsinen



*August 30, 1986 Jämsä
184 cm, 83 kg
CLUB: Vantaan Hiihtoseura
COACH: Jussi Mikkola

Anssi Pentsinen is making a successful transition from sprint specialist to overall skier: in January 2018 he won his first individual Finnish championship title in 15 kilometres. His best World Cup result in sprint so far is fourth place in Düsseldorf in December 2011. Pentsinen is a qualified civil engineer. Unlikely for a ski sport athlete he lives and trains in the capital city Helsinki.

Instagram: [anssipentsinen](#)
Twitter: [AnssiPentsinen](#)

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 sprint (F) 34th.

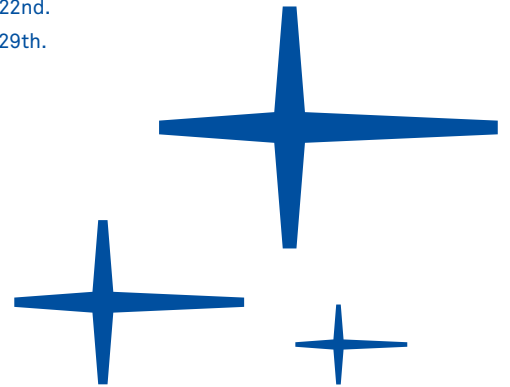
OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2011 WCh sprint (F) 32nd.

2013 WCh sprint (C) 16th,
team sprint (F) 16th.

2015 WCh sprint (C) 22nd.

2017 WCh sprint (F) 29th.



Lauri Vuorinen



*January 1, 1995 Perniö
172 cm, 72 kg
CLUB: Kouvolan Hiihtoseura
COACH: Ville Oksanen

Lauri Vuorinen is the youngest member of the Finnish men's skiing team in Pyeongchang. He took part in the pre-Olympic World Cup competitions last year, finishing fifth in team sprint. Vuorinen started the Olympic season with the best World Cup result of his career: seventh place in the Classical sprint in Ruka. Hailing from the least snow-clad part of Finland, he lives and trains nowadays in Rovaniemi on the Arctic circle. His spouse Johanna Matintalo is also a member of the Finnish Olympic skiing team.

Instagram: [lavuorinen](#)
Twitter: [vuorinenla](#)

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2013 EYOF sprint (F) bronze.

2014 WJCh sprint (F) 4th.

2015 WJCh sprint (C) 6th.



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Cross-Country

Johanna Matintalo



*December 11, 1996 Pöytyä
177 cm, 62 kg
CLUB: Pöytyän Urheilijat
COACH: Ville Oksanen

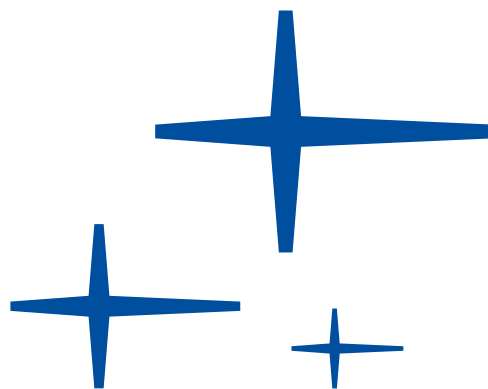
Johanna Matintalo has not been just a top skier but also one of the best middle-distance runners in Finland. She won the Finnish championship title in 800 metres in 2013 but decided to end her running career at the age of 19 due to foot injuries. In 2017 Matintalo took silver in the skiathlon race at the World Under-23 Championships. After finishing twelfth in the 10-kilometre World Cup race in Otepää she was selected to the Finnish team for the senior World Championships in Lahti. Matintalo will make her Olympic debut in Pyeongchang together with her spouse Lauri Vuorinen, who is a member of the Finnish men's sprint skiing team.

📧 johannamatintalo
🐦 matintalo

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2016 WJCh 5 km (CC) 4th.

2017 WCh 2x7.5 km (C+F) 29th.
WU23Ch 2x7.5 km (C+F) silver.



Laura Mononen



*October 5, 1984 Lohjan kunta
167 cm, 53 kg
CLUB: Hämeenlinnan Hiihtoseura
COACH: Teemu Pasanen

Laura Mononen has taken a long path to her Olympic debut. She was a national elite level skier for many years while studying for her university degree in biochemistry. After graduating she worked as a health inspector for a while before deciding to give her full attention to skiing. Mononen made her World Championships debut at the age of 30 in Falun 2015; in the next season she finished ninth at the Tour de Ski and fifth in the 30-kilometre race at Holmenkollen. In 2017 she placed in top 20 in all her three races at the World Championships in Lahti and won her first medal in the Finnish women's relay team.

📧 mononenlaura

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2015 WCh 10 km (F) 34th.

2017 WCh 2x7.5 km 13th, 10 km (C) 14th, 30 km (F/ms) 18th, relay bronze.



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Kerttu Niskanen



*June 13, 1988 Oulu

172 cm, 58 kg

CLUB: Vieremän Koitto

COACH: Pekka Vähäsöyrinki

Kerttu Niskanen's Olympic debut in Sochi 2014 could not have been much better: she won silver in team sprint and relay and took places 4, 7 and 8 in her three individual races – not to mention that her little brother Iivo won gold in men's team sprint. Niskanen has scored placings in top eight at all World Championships and Olympic Games since 2011 but is still in search of her first individual medal. She took her only World Cup victory so far in a Tour de Ski stage in Lenzerheide in 2014. This Olympic season has seen Niskanen finish sixth at the Tour de Ski. Her fiancé Juho Mikkonen represented Finland in men's sprint in Sochi 2014.

Instagram: kerttuniskanen

Twitter: NiskanenKerttu

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 10 km (C) 8th, 2x7.5 km 7th, 30 km (F/ms) 4th, team sprint (C) silver, relay silver.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2007 WJCh relay bronze.

2008 WJCh relay bronze.

2009 WU23Ch sprint (C) bronze.

2010 WU23Ch 10 km (C) gold.

2011 WCh 10 km (C) 8th, WU23Ch sprint (C) gold, 2x5 km (C+F) bronze.

2013 WCh 2x7.5 km (C+F) 12th, 30 km (C/ms) 7th, sprint (C) 9th, relay 5th.

2015 WCh 10 km (F) 8th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 4th,

30 km (C/ms) 4th, sprint (C) 7th, relay bronze.

2017 WCh 10 km (C) 6th, 30 km (F/ms) dnf, team sprint (C) 5th, relay bronze.

WORLD CUP: 1 win

Krista Pärmäkoski



*December 12, 1990 Ikaalinen

160 cm, 56 kg

CLUB: Ikaalisten Urheilijat

COACH: Matti Haavisto

Krista Pärmäkoski (née Lähteenmäki) celebrated her first individual medal, silver in skiathlon, in front of home crowds at the World Championships of 2017 in Lahti. That was an expected step in a career that had seen her win plenty of glory at junior level and team event medals at every major championship since 2011, including Olympic silver in relay in Sochi 2014. Last season was indeed the most successful in Pärmäkoski's career: she finished second in the overall World Cup and second at the Tour de Ski. In January 2018 she took her first victory in a stand-alone World Cup race in Planica. Going into Pyeongchang she occupies fourth place in the World Cup standings. In summer Pärmäkoski occasionally takes part in orienteering competitions.

Instagram: kristaparmakoski

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2010 10 km (F) 52nd, 30 km (C/ms) 25th.

2014 10 km (C) 10th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 13th, 30 km (F/ms) 18th, relay silver.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2008 WJCh relay bronze.

2009 WCh 10 km (C) 37th, WJCh 2x5 km (C+F) silver.

2010 WJCh 5 km (C) gold, relay silver.

2011 WCh 10 km (C) 5th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 31st, 30 km (F/ms) 11th, sprint (F) 16th, team sprint (C) silver, relay bronze.

WU23Ch 10 km (F) gold.

2013 WCh 10 km (F) 15th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 8th, 30 km (C/ms) dnf, sprint (C) 14th, team sprint (F) bronze.

2015 WCh 10 km (F) 20th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 23rd, relay bronze.

2017 WCh 10 km (C) 7th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) silver, 30 km (F/ms) 6th, relay bronze.

WORLD CUP: 3 wins.



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Cross-Country

Riitta-Liisa Roponen



*May 6, 1978 Haukipudas
161 cm, 55 kg
CLUB: Oulun Hiihtoseura
COACH: Toni Roponen

Riitta-Liisa Roponen goes to her fifth Olympic Games. Alone among Finland's top female skiers she is a Freestyle specialist, which made her a regular fixture in relay teams and team sprints over a decade. Roponen has won two World Championship titles in relay and one in team sprint. At the Olympic Games her only medal is relay bronze from Vancouver 2010, where she also achieved her best individual Olympic result, sixth place in 10 kilometres. After missing the 2017 World Championships in Lahti due to foot injury Roponen has made a comeback: she won gold in 10 kilometres at the Finnish championships in January 2018. She is coached by her husband Toni Roponen; they have a teenage daughter.

📧rlroponen

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2002 15 km (F/ms) 19th, sprint (F) 36th, relay 7th.

2006 10 km (C) 35th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 13th, 30 km (F/ms) 23rd, relay 7th.

2010 10 km (F) 6th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 15th, relay bronze.

2014 30 km (F/ms) 26th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2003 WCh 2x5 km (C+F) 41st, 30 km (F) 35th.

2005 WCh 10 km (F) 12th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 8th, team sprint (F) silver, relay 5th.

2007 WCh 10 km (F) 7th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 5th, team sprint (F) gold, relay gold.

2009 WCh 2x7.5 km (C+F) 23rd, 30 km (F/ms) 6th, sprint (F) 14th, relay gold.

2011 WCh 10 km (C) 18th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 14th, 30 km (F/ms) 15th, relay bronze.

2013 WCh 10 km (F) 8th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 16th, relay 5th.

2015 WCh 10 km (F) 19th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 8th, 30 km (C/ms) 18th, relay bronze.

WORLD CUP: 1 win.

Aino-Kaisa Saarinen



*February 1, 1979 Hollola
166 cm, 58 kg
CLUB: Lempäälän Kisa
COACH: Reijo Jylhä

Aino-Kaisa Saarinen has won five Olympic medals, more than any other Finnish athlete in the 21st century. Team sprint bronze in Turin 2006 was followed by bronzes in the 30-kilometre race and relay in Vancouver. In Sochi 2014 Saarinen took silver medals in team sprint and relay and finished in top five in two individual competitions. In 2009 Saari- nen won three gold medals at the World Championships in Liberec and was voted Finnish Athlete of the Year. Her relay credentials are particularly impressive: Finland has been left without a medal in women's relay only once at major championships since 2007 – the one time that Saari- nen was not present. Saarinen has more World Cup starts under her belt than any other skier in the world: she has been skiing at top level for 20 years except for one break in 2016 when she gave birth to her daughter.

📧ainokaisasaarinen
🐦Aino_Kaisa

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2006 10 km (C) 7th, 30 km (F/ms) 17th, sprint (F) 26th, team sprint (C) bronze, relay 7th.

2010 10 km (F) 15th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 5th, 30 km (C/ms) bronze, sprint (C) 13th, relay bronze.

2014 10 km (C) 4th, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 5th, 30 km (F/ms) 21st, team sprint (C) silver, relay silver.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

1999 WJCh relay gold.

2001 WCh sprint (F) 11th.

2003 WCh 15 km (C/ms) 25th, 30 km (F) 22nd, sprint (F) 29th.

2005 WCh 2x7.5 km (C+F) 30th, 30 km (C/ms) 4th, sprint (C) 8th, relay 5th.

2007 WCh 2x7.5 km (C+F) 6th, 30 km (C/ms) 4th, sprint (C) 18th, relay gold.

2009 WCh 10 km (C) gold, 2x7.5 km (C+F) bronze, 30 km (F/ms) 7th, team sprint (C) gold, relay gold.

2011 WCh 10 km (C) bronze, 2x7.5 km (C+F) 8th, 30 km (F/ms) 23rd, team sprint (C) silver, relay bronze.

2013 WCh 30 km (C/ms) 17th.

2015 WCh 2x7.5 km (C+F) 15th, 30 km (C/ms) 7th, sprint (C) 18th, relay bronze.

2017 WCh 30 km (F/ms) 14th, team sprint (C) 5th, relay bronze.

WORLD CUP: 4 wins.

Team Management



Eero Hietanen
Team Leader



Reijo Jylhä
Head Coach



Olli Ohtonen
Coach



Teemu Pasanen
Coach



Matti Haavisto
Head of Service



Teemu Lemmettylä
Head of Service



Hannu Hovila
Service



Mika Huita
Service



Aki Hukka
Service



Heikki Köykkä
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Ari Marjetta
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Jari Nieminen
Service



Veli-Matti Niskanen
Service



Jukka Salo
Service



Heikki Tonteri
Service



Kati Venäläinen
Service



Mika Venäläinen
Service

Curling

Curling was first played in Finland as early as 1909 but it was not until the 1980's before the game started to take root in the country. Finland took part at the World Championships for the first time in 1987. The Finnish men's team skipped by Markku Uusipaavalniemi finished fifth in its Olympic debut in 2002. In Turin 2006 the team won Olympic silver. Finnish curling will make its return to the Olympic Games after twelve years in the mixed doubles competition in Pyeongchang.

Oona Kauste



*January 4, 1988 Espoo
172 cm, 65 kg
CLUB: Ålands Curlingklubb

Oona Kauste took up curling following her older brother Aku Kauste, who has captained the Finnish men's team at several World and European Championships. Oona made her debut in the Finnish women's national team in 2009 and skipped the team for the first time in 2011. She returned as skip in 2015 and led her team to bronze at the European Championships in Esbjerg, Denmark. That was the first medal of Finnish women's curling at any level.

Kauste's team, which is currently based in the Åland Islands, did not qualify for the Olympic Games but she will play in Pyeongchang in the mixed doubles competition with Tomi Rantamäki. Kauste is a make-up artist and hairdresser by profession.

Instagram: @oonakauste
Twitter: @OonaKauste

ACHIEVEMENTS (IN WOMEN'S CATEGORY UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE):

- 2009 EurCh 8th.
- 2011 EurCh 12th.
- 2012 EurCh 10th. EurCh mixed teams bronze.
- 2013 EurCh 11th.
- 2014 EurCh 6th.
- 2015 WCh 11th. EurCh bronze.
- 2016 WCh 11th. WCh mixed doubles 7th.
- 2017 WCh mixed doubles 7th. EurCh 11th.

Tomi Rantamäki



*September 18, 1968 Ähtäri
180 cm, 74 kg

Tomi Rantamäki will make history in Pyeongchang; at 49 he will become the oldest Finnish Olympic Winter Games athlete of all time. Rantamäki belongs to a pioneer generation of Finnish curling: his teams represented Finland at the European Championships back in 1992 and 1994. Since 2014 he has served as director of coaching at the Finnish Curling Association. When mixed doubles were added into the Olympic program in 2015 Rantamäki teamed up with Oona Kauste. They qualified for Pyeongchang by finishing seventh at the World Championships in both 2016 and 2017. Rantamäki owns a business which specialises in workplace psychology.

ACHIEVEMENTS (IN MEN'S CATEGORY UNLESS STATED OTHERWISE):

- 1992 EurCh 6th.
- 1994 EurCh 9th.
- 2009 EurCh 9th.
- 2010 EurCh mixed teams 15th.
- 2013 EurCh 10th. EurCh mixed teams 4th.
- 2015 WCh mixed teams 13th.
- 2016 WCh mixed doubles 7:s.
- 2017 WCh mixed doubles 7:s.

Team Management



Brian Gray
Coach



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Figure Skating

Figure skating was the first winter sport in which Finland won an Olympic medal. This took place before the birth of the Winter Games: Ludowika and Walter Jakobsson won gold in pairs competition in Antwerp 1920. Four years later the Jakobssons took silver in Chamonix. They still remain Finland's only Olympic medallists in figure skating. In men's singles competition the best result has been Marcus Nikkanen's fourth place in Lake Placid 1932, in women's skating Laura Lepistö's sixth place in Vancouver 2010. In ice dancing Susanna Rahkamo and Petri Kokko finished fourth in Lillehammer 1994.

Emmi Peltonen



*November 29, 1999 Nashville (USA)
163 cm, 49 kg
CLUB: Etelä-Vantaan
Taitoluistelijat
COACHES: Sirkka Kaipio,
Rafael Arutunian

Emmi Peltonen was born in the United States while his father was playing hockey in the NHL. Ville Peltonen won four Olympic medals in the Finnish ice hockey team. His father Esa Peltonen had also played hockey at four Olympic Games, which makes Emmi the first ever third-generation Finnish Winter Olympic athlete. Emmi came to the fore as the leading Finnish female skater in the 2016/17 season. She booked her ticket to Pyeongchang by finishing ninth at the European Championships in Moscow in January 2018.

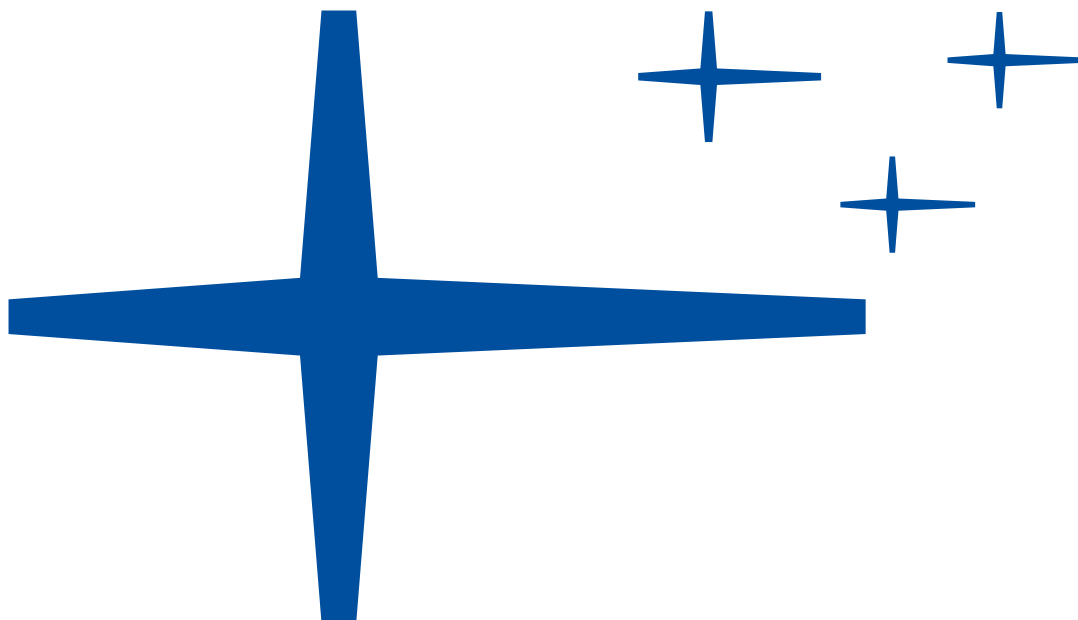
@emmiipeltonenn

ACHIEVEMENTS:
2017 WCh 29th. EurCh 11th.
2018 EurCh 9th.

Team Management



Sirkka Kaipio
Coach



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Freestyle

Men's moguls has been one of Finland's most successful Olympic medal events in not too distant past. The string of success began in Nagano 1998 where cousins Janne Lahtela and Sami Mustonen took silver and bronze. At the Salt Lake Games of 2002 Janne Lahtela won the gold medal, and in Turin 2006 Mikko Ronkainen took silver. The best Finnish result in women's freestyle skiing has been Minna Karhu's sixth place in moguls in Nagano 1998. In other freestyle events Finnish success has been more modest: in Sochi 2014 Antti-Jussi Kemppainen placed eighth in men's halfpipe, Jouni Pellinen 13th in men's ski cross and Antti Ollila 13th in men's slopestyle.

Joona Kangas



*April 28, 1997 Jämsä
181 cm, 73 kg
CLUB: Levi Ski Club
COACHES: Tomi Uuniemi

Joona Kangas made his debut in the Finnish national freestyle team in 2012. He has been known as one of the best Finnish freeskiers since his gold medal in slopestyle at the World Junior Championships of 2014 in Valmalenco, Italy. In the FIS World Cup his best result so far is seventh place at Seiser Alm in January 2017. The Olympic season has seen Kangas place eleventh in the World Cup slopestyle competition at Snowmass, USA. His favourite hobbies are fishing and playing the guitar.

📷joonakangas

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 2014 WJCh gold.
- 2015 WCh 28th. WJCh 5th.
- 2017 WCh 36th.



EVENT:
Slopestyle

Jussi Penttala



*October 9, 1993 Helsinki
181 cm, 75 kg
CLUB: Freestyleseura Moebius
COACH: Janne Lahtela

Jussi Penttala has won two silver medals at World Junior Championships, one in moguls and one in dual moguls. At senior level his best result so far is ninth place in moguls at the World Championships of 2015 in Kreischberg, Austria. Penttala finished fifth in a World Cup moguls competition in Thaiwoo, China in February 2017. Last December he underwent a collarbone operation after a crash at Ruka but made a quick recovery and was able to return to the World Cup circuit in January. Jussi's younger brother Olli Penttala is also a moguls skier in the Finnish national team.

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PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

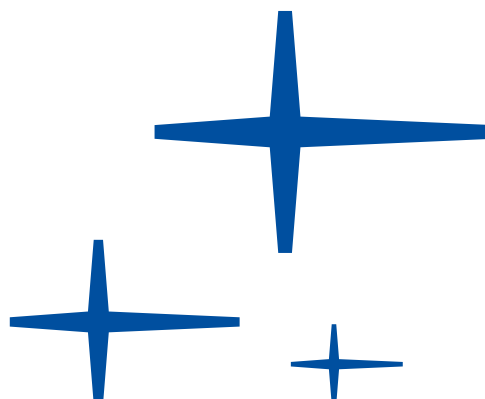
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OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 2011 WCh moguls 16th, dual moguls 17th. WJCh dual moguls silver.
- 2013 WCh moguls 18th, dual moguls 19th. WJCh moguls silver.
- 2015 WCh moguls 9th, dual moguls 15th.
- 2017 WCh moguls 13th, dual moguls 31st.



EVENT:
Moguls



Freestyle

Jimi Salonen



*October 3, 1994 Muurame
178 cm, 66 kg
CLUB: Jyväskylän Freestyleseura
COACH: Janne Lahtela

Jimi Salonen had an excellent season in 2015/16: he gathered five top ten placements in the World Cup with second place in Deer Valley as the best result and finished in fifth place in the final classification. In the following year he placed twelfth at the World Championships in Sierra Nevada, Spain. Salonen is father of a little girl and loves hunting and fishing in his spare time.

📷 salonenjimi

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES
2014 18th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2011 WJCh moguls 4th.

2013 WCh moguls 38th,
dual moguls 8th.

2015 WCh moguls 30th,
dual moguls 14th.

2017 WCh moguls 12th,
dual moguls 17th.

EVENT:
Moguls

Anni Kärävä



*April 28, 2000 Espoo
165 cm, 50 kg
CLUB: Club des Sports La Clusaz
(France)
COACH: Tomi Uuniemi

Anni Kärävä is the youngest member of the entire Finnish Olympic team in Pyeongchang. She treads new ground in Finnish winter sports: in 2017 she became the first woman to represent Finland in ski slopestyle, finishing in twelfth place at the World Championships in Sierra Nevada. Kärävä took up freestyle skiing when her family moved to the French Alps. She lives close to the freestyle hotbed of La Clusaz and represents the local skiing club.

📷 annikarava

ACHIEVEMENTS:
2015 WJCh 8th.
2016 Youth OG 5th.
2017 WCh 12th. WJCh 5th.

EVENT:
Slopestyle



Team Management



Janne Lahtela
Head Coach



Tomi Uuniemi
Coach



Olli Cajan
Coach



Pekka Lehtikallio
Coach/Service

Ice Hockey, Men

The Finnish ice hockey team, known as the Lions, took part at the Olympic Games for the first time in Oslo 1952, finishing in seventh place. The long-standing dream of an Olympic medal finally came true in Calgary 1988, when the Finnish Lions won silver after defeating the USSR in the final game. Since that Finland has established its position as a permanent medal contender. The Lions won bronze in Lillehammer 1994 as well as in Nagano 1998, when NHL professionals played in the Olympic tournament for the first time. The 2006 Games in Turin saw the best ever Finnish performance on Olympic ice: the Lions went undefeated in the tournament all through to the gold medal game, only to lose to perennial rivals Sweden 2–3. Finland took bronze in Vancouver 2010 as well as in Sochi 2014 after eliminating hosts Russia in the quarter-final game. In five Olympic tournaments open to NHL players between 1998 and 2014 Finland won four medals, more than any other country.

Finland was a pioneering country of women's ice hockey in Europe. The Lionesses won bronze in the first women's Olympic tournament in Nagano 1998. They had to settle for fourth place in 2002 and 2006, won bronze again in Vancouver 2010, but finished in disappointing fifth place in Sochi.

Mikko Koskinen



*July 18, 1988 Vantaa

201 cm, 87 kg

TEAM: SKA St. Petersburg (KHL)

Mikko Koskinen rose to fame in Russia in 2015 when his goaltending heroics helped SKA win the first ever ice hockey championship title for the city of St. Petersburg. He was duly selected best goaltender of the KHL season 2014/15. Koskinen won his second KHL title in 2017. He was a natural choice to guard the net of the Finnish national team at the 2016 World Championships, which were held in St. Petersburg. Koskinen won the best goaltender's prize after allowing only nine goals in eight games as Finland coasted to the final with a clean sweep of victories. Koskinen has been playing in the KHL since 2013 having previously had a brief spell in the NHL with New York Islanders.

Goaltender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

19	MIKKO KOSKINEN	REGULAR SEASON			PLAYOFFS			NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	Avg.	S%	GP	Avg.	S%	
07/08	Espoo Blues, FIN	1	0,00	100,0				
08/09	Espoo Blues, FIN	33	1.91	93,2	14	2.59	91,2	
09/10	Bridgeport Sound Tigers, AHL	2	2.45	90,2	3	2.85	90.0	
	Utah Grizzlies, ECHL	6	2.50	92,4	4	3.49	89.9	
10/11	New York Islanders, NHL	4	4.33	87.3				
	Bridgeport Sound Tigers, AHL	36	3.49	89.2				
11/12	Bridgeport Sound Tigers, AHL	3	2.82	90.9				
	KalPa, FIN	25	2.30	91.6	6	2.23	88.9	
12/13	KalPa, FIN	49	2.05	91.9	5	2.03	93.6	
13/14	Espoo Blues, FIN	2	2.47	91.1				WCh silver (1 GP, avg. 4.12, S% 84.6)
	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	41	1.70	93.9	10	1.98	92.8	
14/15	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	29	2.22	92.1				
	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	21	1.89	92.7	22	1.61	93.6	
15/16	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	41	2.42	91.5	15	1.47	94.9	WCh silver (8 GP, avg. 1.13, S% 94.7)
16/17	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	23	2.08	91.6	15	1.64	93.8	WCup 8th (did not play)
17/18*	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	28	1.48	91.6				
	NHL totals:	4	4.33	87.3				
	KHL totals:	183	1.98	92.7	62	1.64	93.8	National team: 47 games

Juha Metsola



*February 24, 1989 Tampere
177 cm, 73 kg
TEAM: Amur Khabarovsk (KHL)

Of all athletes in the Finnish Olympic team Juha Metsola has the shortest way home: he plays hockey for the easternmost team in the KHL, based in Khabarovsk mere 1,300 kilometres from the Olympic arena in Gangneung. Metsola joined Amur Khabarovsk after winning the best goaltender's prize in the Finnish league in the 2014/15 season. Pyeongchang marks his debut in the senior national team; he has previously played at two junior world championship tournaments.

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Goaltender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

77	JUHAMETSOLA	REGULAR SEASON			PLAYOFFS			NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	Avg.	S%	GP	Avg.	S%	
06/07	Ilves, FIN	0						U18 WCh 7th (4 GP, avg. 2.11, S% 91.9)
07/08	Lethbridge Hurricanes, WHL (jun.)	30	1.98	91.6	18	2.37	90.8	
08/09	Lethbridge Hurricanes, WHL (jun.)	53	2.80	90.7	10	3.27	88.3	U20 WCh 7th (4 GP, avg. 1.47, S% 93.9)
09/10	HPK, FIN	4	3.30	87.1	1	5.44	75.0	
	LeKi, FIN-2	4	2.01	93.3				
	KooKoo, FIN-2	6	1.93	93.9				
	TuTo, FIN-2	3	2.68	92.6				
10/11	HPK, FIN	6	1.80	94.2				
	LeKi, FIN-2	2	3.05	90.7				
	Ilves, FIN	2	1.48	93.0				
11/12	Tappara, FIN	26	2.76	92.5				
	LeKi, FIN-2	2	2.40	94.7				
12/13	Tappara, FIN	46	2.09	93.0	15	1.84	94.1	
	LeKi, FIN-2	2	2.03	93.9				
13/14	Tappara, FIN	56	1.92	92.6	20	1.93	92.8	
14/15	Tappara, FIN	57	1.91	93.6	20	2.23	92.4	
15/16	Amur Khabarovsk, KHL	44	2.15	92.7				
16/17	Amur Khabarovsk, KHL	54	1.87	93.3				
17/18*	Amur Khabarovsk, KHL	50	2.26	92.3				
	KHL totals:	148	2.09	92.8				National team: 26 games

Ice Hockey, Men

Karri Rämö



*July 1, 1986 Asikkala
189 cm, 93 kg
TEAM: Jokerit, Helsinki (KHL)

Karri Rämö brings NHL experience to Finnish goaltending in Pyeongchang. His two stints in North America with Tampa Bay Lightning and Calgary Flames were separated by four years in the KHL with Avangard Omsk. After recovering from knee injury that ended his NHL career Rämö returned to the KHL in 2017 with the Helsinki-based team Jokerit. Rämö has been selected to the Finnish national team for three World Championship tournaments but has played only one game in them.

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🐦 RamoKarri

Goaltender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

31	KARRI RÄMÖ	REGULAR SEASON			PLAYOFFS			NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	Avg.	S%	GP	Avg.	S%	
03/04	Pelicans, FIN	3	4.34	86.1				U18 WCh (1 GP, avg. 1.00, S% 92.3)
04/05	Pelicans, FIN	26	3.98	89.8				
05/06	HPK, FIN	24	2.16	92.9	3	1.47	94.7	U20 WCh bronze (1 GP, avg. 6.21, S% 86.1)
	Haukat, FIN-2	1	5.00	87.2				
06/07	Tampa Bay Lightning, NHL	2	3.43	82.6				
	Springfield Falcons, AHL	45	3.13	90.6				
07/08	Tampa Bay Lightning, NHL	22	3.03	89.9				WCh bronze (did not play)
	Norfolk Admirals, AHL	6	3.33	89.8				
08/09	Tampa Bay Lightning, NHL	24	3.66	89.4				WCh 5th (1 GP, avg. 1.00, S% 94.7)
	Norfolk Admirals, AHL	26	3.78	88.0				
09/10	Avangard Omsk, KHL	44	2.11	91.3	3	3.04	88.6	
10/11	Avangard Omsk, KHL	44	1.97	92.5	14	2.16	91.4	
11/12	Avangard Omsk, KHL	45	1.96	92.5	21	1.54	94.0	WCh 4th (did not play)
12/13	Avangard Omsk, KHL	40	2.00	92.9	12	1.99	91.7	
13/14	Calgary Flames, NHL	40	2.65	91.1				
14/15	Calgary Flames, NHL	34	2.60	91.2	7	2.86	90.6	
15/16	Calgary Flames, NHL	37	2.63	90.9				
	Stockton Heat, AHL	1	0.00	100.0				
16/17	Toronto Marlies, AHL	3	3.80	88.0				
	Pelicans, FIN	7	2.34	91.9	4	2.95	89.8	
17/18*	Jokerit, KHL	17	1.93	93.0				
	NHL totals:	159	2.85	90.6	7	2.86	90.6	
	KHL totals:	190	2.00	92.4	50	1.91	92.4	National team: 26 games

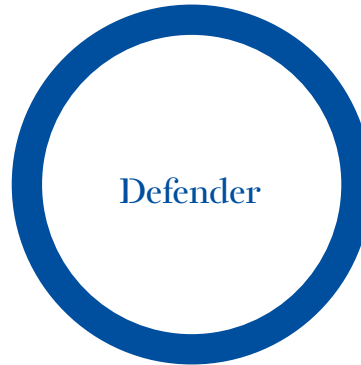
Miro Heiskanen



*July 18, 1999 Espoo
182 cm, 83 kg
TEAM: HIFK, Helsinki

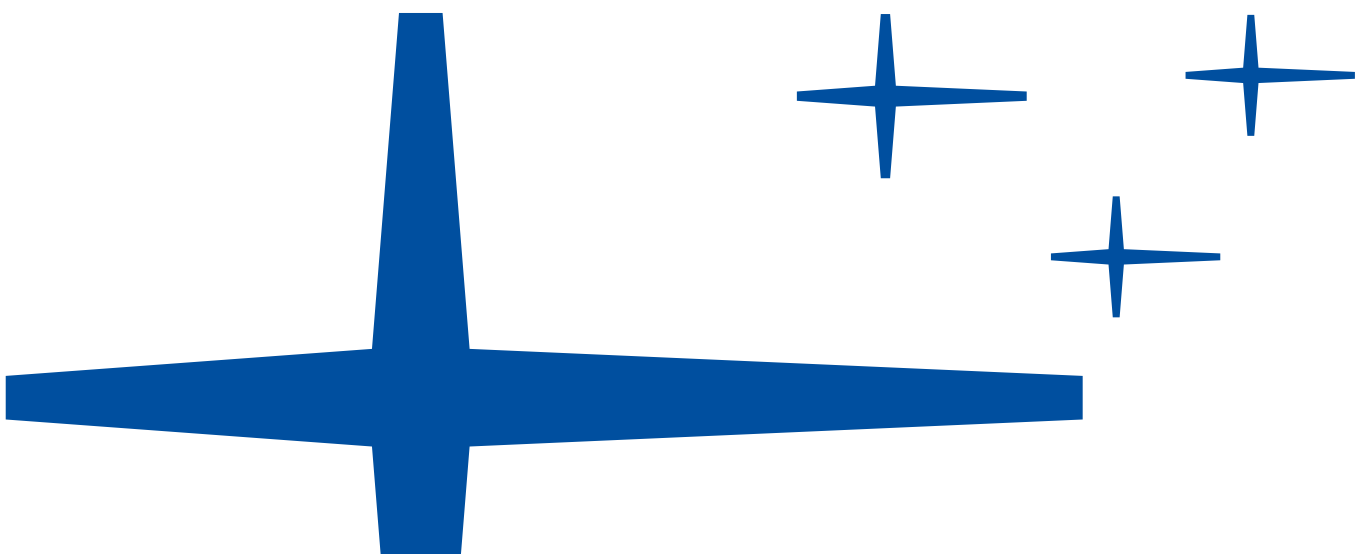
The youngest player of the Finnish Olympic team is widely considered one of the most promising defenders in the world. Miro Heiskanen shone in defense when Finland won gold at U18 World Championships in 2016 and silver in 2017, winning the best defender's prize in the latter tournament. He was selected 3rd overall by Dallas Stars at the 2017 NHL draft. Heiskanen made his debut in the senior national team at the European Hockey Tour in Helsinki in November 2017 and scored a goal against Russia in his first game.

📷 miroheiskanen



* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

42	MIRO HEISKANEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
15/16	HIFK, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh gold (7 GP, 0+1=1)
16/17	HIFK, FIN	37	5	5	10	4	8	0	3	3	0	U20 WCh 9th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
												U18 WCh silver (7 GP, 2+10=12)
17/18*	HIFK, FIN	22	11	6	17	6						U20 WCh 6th (5 GP, 0+2=2)



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Juuso Hietanen



*June 14, 1985 Hämeenlinna
180 cm, 85 kg
TEAM: Dynamo Moscow (KHL)

Juuso Hietanen made a successful Olympic debut in Sochi 2014: he scored the decisive third goal for Finland in the bronze medal game against the United States. Later in the same year he made another important goal for the Lions in quarter-final victory over Canada at the World Championships in Minsk. Remarkably, Hietanen has been selected to play for Finland at every World Championship and Olympic tournament since 2012. The current season is his seventh in the KHL and third with Dynamo Moscow. Hietanen is a third-generation hockey player: his father and grandfather both played in the Finnish league.

Defender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

38	JUUSO HIETANEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
03/04	HPK, FIN	2	0	0	0	0						
04/05	HPK, FIN	9	0	1	1	2						U20 WCh 5th (6 GP, 1+1=2)
	Haukat, FIN-2	3	0	0	0	0						
	Pelicans, FIN	15	0	0	0	4						
05/06	HPK, FIN	55	2	10	12	30	13	2	1	3	4	
06/07	HPK, FIN	49	5	16	21	28	9	0	4	4	6	
07/08	Brynäs IF, SWE	54	6	20	26	59						
08/09	Brynäs IF, SWE	54	3	15	18	44	4	0	1	1	0	
09/10	Brynäs IF, SWE	55	12	17	29	20	5	1	0	1	14	WCh 6th (2 GP, 0+0=0)
10/11	HV71, SWE	55	10	23	33	18	4	0	1	1	0	
11/12	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod, KHL	47	5	25	30	18	13	4	4	8	8	WCh 4th (10 GP, 1+4=5)
12/13	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod, KHL	52	4	19	23	24						WCh 4th (10 GP, 0+3=3)
13/14	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod, KHL	54	10	23	33	18	7	0	3	3	0	OG bronze (6 GP, 1+0=1)
												WCh silver (10 GP, 2+4=6)
14/15	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod, KHL	57	8	19	27	32	5	0	0	0	0	WCh 6th (8 GP, 0+0=0)
15/16	Dynamo Moscow, KHL	57	8	8	16	43	10	1	0	1	2	WCh silver (10 GP, 0+4=4)
16/17	Dynamo Moscow, KHL	57	12	18	30	22	9	1	2	3	6	WCh 4th (10 GP, 2+1=3)
17/18*	Dynamo Moscow, KHL	46	7	11	18	22						
	KHL totals:	370	54	123	177	179	44	6	9	15	16	National team: 162 games, 21+44 points



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Tommi Kivistö



*June 7, 1991 Vantaa

186 cm, 89 kg

TEAM: Jokerit, Helsinki (KHL)

Tommi Kivistö made his breakthrough in 2014 after returning to the Finnish league after a season spent playing for minor league affiliates of Carolina Hurricanes. He moved to Avtomobilist Yekaterinburg in the KHL in 2015 and further on to Jokerit two years later. In the Finnish Lions Kivistö's success rate has been remarkable: he has been selected for two World Championship tournaments and has earned a silver medal in both of them.

Defender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

4	TOMMI KIVISTÖ	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
07/08	Jokerit, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh 6th (6 GP, 1+2=3)
08/09	Red Deer Rebels, WHL (jun.)	65	1	21	22	49						U20 WCh 7th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
												U18 WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+3=3)
09/10	Jokerit, FIN	22	0	2	2	12	3	0	0	0	0	U20 WCh 5th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
	Kiekko-Vantaa, FIN-2	2	0	0	0	0						
10/11	Jokerit, FIN	38	0	5	5	22	7	0	0	0	0	U20 WCh 6th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
	Kiekko-Vantaa, FIN-2	5	1	2	3	0						
11/12	Jokerit, FIN	26	0	4	4	8						
	Kiekko-Vantaa, FIN-2	20	5	7	12	22	4	1	1	2	2	
12/13	Charlotte Checkers, AHL	17	0	2	2	12						
	Florida Everblades, ECHL	48	4	11	15	59	12	1	5	6	18	
13/14	Ilves, FIN	56	4	11	15	32						WCh silver (10 GP, 1+0=1)
14/15	Ilves, FIN	58	6	21	27	55	2	0	0	0	2	
15/16	Avtomobilist Yekaterinburg, KHL	60	1	6	7	34	6	0	1	1	0	WCh silver (6 GP, 1+0=1)
16/17	Avtomobilist Yekaterinburg, KHL	57	2	3	5	23						
17/18*	Jokerit, KHL	53	2	4	6	26						
	KHL totals:	170	5	13	18	83	6	0	1	1	0	National team: 60 games, 3+5=8 points



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Miika Koivisto



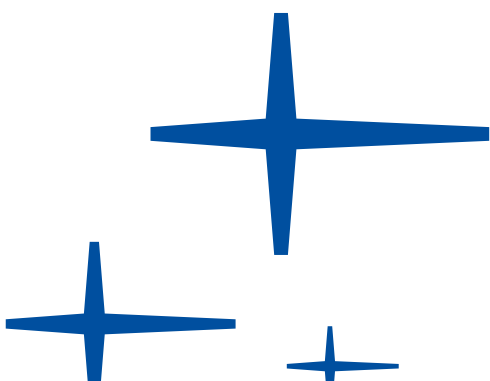
*July 20, 1990 Vaasa
184 cm, 88 kg
TEAM: Kärpät Oulu

Miika Koivisto won the best defender's prize of the Finnish league season 2016/17 after ranking third in assists while playing for one of the bottom teams. He moved to Kärpät in the summer and is currently leading the league in points by defenders. That has earned Koivisto his first call to national team duty in a major tournament; he has previously worn the Lions jersey only at European Hockey Tour games.

Defender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

50	MIIKA KOIVISTO	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
10/11	Sport, FIN-2	5	1	0	1	0	2	0	1	1	0	
11/12	Sport, FIN-2	45	6	11	17	12	11	1	4	5	2	
12/13	KalPa, FIN	57	6	11	17	32	5	0	0	0	2	
13/14	KalPa, FIN	60	2	13	15	36						
14/15	KalPa, FIN	49	0	18	18	24	6	1	2	3	0	
15/16	Lukko, FIN	24	1	8	9	12						
	KeuPa, FIN-2	1	1	0	1	0						
16/17	Jukurit, FIN	56	4	33	37	24						
17/18*	Kärpät, FIN	46	8	25	33	24						
												National team: 13 games, 0+3=3 points



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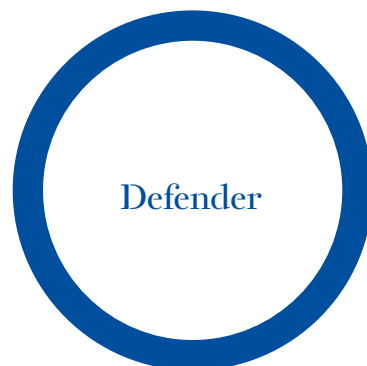
Lasse Kukkonen



*September 18, 1981 Oulu
183 cm, 85 kg
TEAM: Kärpät, Oulu

Lasse Kukkonen is the captain of the Finnish hockey team and its most experienced player. He goes to Pyeongchang in search of his fourth consecutive Olympic medal. In 2006 he was called to Turin for the last two medal games as an emergency replacement for the injured defender Sami Salo. That trip yielded silver, the following two Olympic Games bronze. Kukkonen has played at ten World Championship tournaments and earned four medals in them, most notably gold in 2011. He returned to his home team Kärpät in 2013 after a world tour that had taken him to the NHL with Chicago Blackhawks and Philadelphia

Flyers, the KHL and the Swedish league. Noted for his unquenchable work ethic, Kukkonen has led his team to three Finnish championship titles and earned two best defender's prizes in the process.



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5	LASSE KUKKONEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
98/99	Kärpät, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh gold (7 GP, 1+0=1)
99/00	Kärpät, FIN-2	22	0	4	4	14						
00/01	Kärpät, FIN	47	1	5	6	46	9	0	2	2	4	U20 WCh silver (7 GP, 0+0=0)
01/02	Kärpät, FIN	55	2	6	8	42	4	0	3	3	4	
02/03	Kärpät, FIN	56	6	12	18	67	15	1	4	5	16	
03/04	Chicago Blackhawks, NHL	10	0	1	1	4						
	Norfolk Admirals, AHL	59	3	11	14	58	8	0	0	0	8	
04/05	Kärpät, FIN	55	5	13	18	68	12	0	2	2	6	WCh 7th (7 GP, 0+4=4)
05/06	Kärpät, FIN	56	11	16	27	38	11	5	7	12	8	OG silver (2 GP, 0+0=0)
												WCh bronze (9 GP, 2+0=2)
06/07	Chicago Blackhawks, NHL	54	5	9	14	30						WCh silver (9 GP, 0+1=1)
	Philadelphia Flyers, NHL	20	0	0	0	8						
07/08	Philadelphia Flyers, NHL	53	1	4	5	38	14	0	2	2	6	
08/09	Philadelphia Flyers, NHL	22	0	2	2	10						WCh 5th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
	Philadelphia Phantoms, AHL	26	0	11	11	20	4	2	0	2	6	
09/10	Avangard Omsk, KHL	53	6	6	12	34	3	0	1	1	0	OG bronze (6 GP, 0+1=1)
												WCh 6th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
10/11	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	37	4	8	12	16	5	0	0	0	0	WCh gold (9 GP, 0+0=0)
11/12	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	51	4	4	8	22	10	0	1	1	4	WCh 4th (10 GP, 0+1=1)
12/13	Rögle BK, SWE	54	2	4	6	30						WCh 4th (10 GP, 0+0=0)
13/14	Kärpät, FIN	55	12	16	28	52	16	2	8	10	16	OG bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
14/15	Kärpät, FIN	59	11	10	21	26	12	2	3	5	2	
15/16	Kärpät, FIN	58	6	19	25	54	14	2	3	5	4	WCh silver (6 GP, 0+0=0)
16/17	Kärpät, FIN	48	7	15	22	26	2	0	0	0	0	WCh 4th (8 GP, 0+0=0)
17/18*	Kärpät, FIN	45	3	8	11	26						
	NHL totals:	159	6	16	22	90	14	0	2	2	6	National team: 182 games, 4+14=18 points
	KHL totals:	141	14	18	32	72	18	0	2	2	4	

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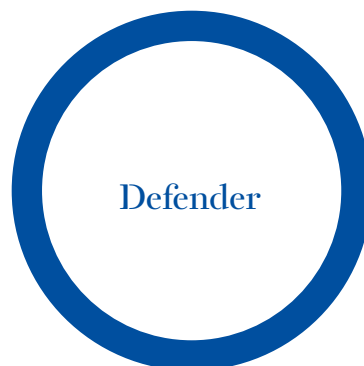
Mikko Lehtonen



*January 16, 1994 Turku
182 cm, 89 kg
TEAM: Tappara, Tampere

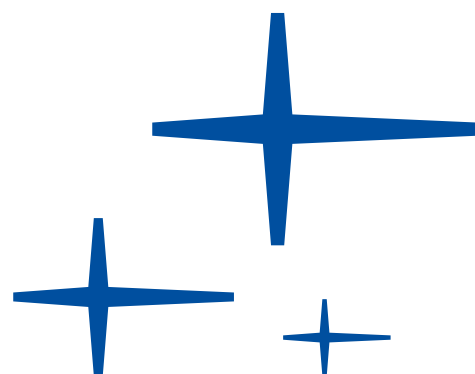
Mikko Lehtonen played in the Finnish gold medal team at the U20 World Championships in 2014. After winning the Swedish championship title with HV71 in 2017 he was called to the senior national team for the World Championships in Paris. Lehtonen was one of the few Finnish players who performed well in that tournament and has continued to stand out since moving to Tappara in the Finnish league for the Olympic season.

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2	MIKKOLEHTONEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
11/12	TPS, FIN	12	0	0	0	2						U18 WCh 4th (7 GP, 0+1=1)
12/13	TPS, FIN	13	0	1	1	2						
13/14	TuTo, FIN-2	46	5	13	18	14	12	1	7	8	20	U20 WCh gold (7 GP, 0+1=1)
14/15	TPS, FIN	37	0	2	2	8						
	TuTo, FIN-2	19	0	9	9	4	15	3	6	9	8	
15/16	KooKoo, FIN	60	12	10	22	16						
16/17	KooKoo, FIN	43	6	19	25	20						
	HV71, SWE	9	0	0	0	0	16	0	4	4	4	WCh 4th (10 GP, 2+0=2)
17/18*	Tappara, FIN	45	8	14	22	22						
												National team: 25 games, 2+4=6 points



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Sami Lepistö

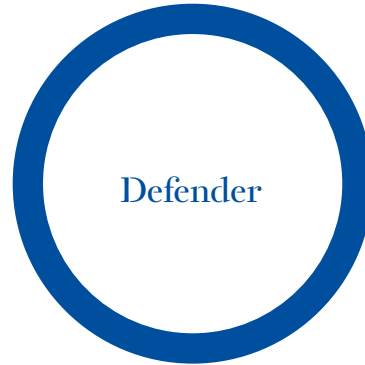


*October 17, 1984 Espoo

186 cm, 85 kg

TEAM: Jokerit, Helsinki (KHL)

Sami Lepistö is the player with most big league experience in the Finnish team in Pyeongchang. After spending five years in North America with four different NHL teams he moved to the KHL in 2012. In 2017 Lepistö returned home to Jokerit, team that he last represented ten years ago when it still played in the Finnish league. Lepistö was selected best defender of the U20 World Championships of 2004. In the senior national team he has earned two Olympic bronze medals and World Championship gold in 2011. Lepistö is the only member of the current Olympic team who played at the all-star World Cup of Hockey in 2016. He has recently become father of twin girls.



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18	SAMILEPISTÖ	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
03/04	Jokerit, FIN	53	3	4	7	20	8	0	1	1	4	U20 WCh bronze (7 GP, 4+4=8)
04/05	Jokerit, FIN	55	7	18	25	44	12	1	7	8	12	
05/06	Jokerit, FIN	56	8	21	29	68						
06/07	Jokerit, FIN	26	1	9	10	32	10	2	2	4	4	
07/08	Washington Capitals, NHL	7	0	1	1	12						WCh bronze (7 GP, 1+1=2)
	Hershey Bears, AHL	55	4	41	45	51	5	0	1	1	4	
08/09	Washington Capitals, NHL	7	0	4	4	6						
	Hershey Bears, AHL	70	4	38	42	80						
09/10	Phoenix Coyotes, NHL	66	1	10	11	60	7	1	0	1	6	OG bronze (6 GP, 0+1=1)
10/11	Phoenix Coyotes, NHL	51	4	7	11	37						WC gold (9 GP, 0+3=3)
	Columbus Blue Jackets, NHL	19	0	5	5	18						
11/12	Chicago Blackhawks, NHL	26	1	2	3	4	3	0	0	0	0	
12/13	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl, KHL	26	0	3	3	30						WCh 4th (10 GP, 0+4=4)
	Lev Praha, KHL	11	0	5	5	20	3	0	0	0	2	
13/14	Avtomobilist Yekaterinburg, KHL	53	6	19	25	67	4	1	1	2	6	OG bronze (6 GP, 1+1=2)
14/15	Avtomobilist Yekaterinburg, KHL	60	7	16	23	44	5	0	1	1	4	WCh 6th (8 GP, 0+2=2)
15/16	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	60	11	19	30	33	19	6	7	13	16	
16/17	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	53	6	25	31	22	5	0	3	3	4	WCup 8th (3 GP, 0+0=0)
17/18*	Jokerit, KHL	54	7	21	28	32						
	NHL totals:	176	6	29	35	137	10	1	0	1	6	
	KHL totals:	317	37	108	145	248	36	7	12	19	32	National team: 96 games, 6+28=34 points

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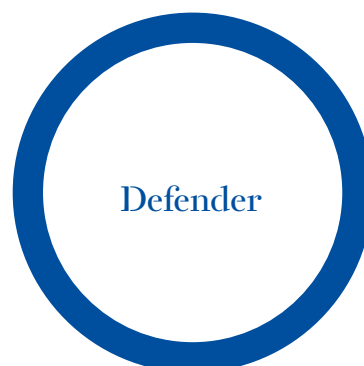
Atte Ohtamaa



*November 6, 1987 Nivala
188 cm, 92 kg
TEAM: Ak Bars Kazan (KHL)

Atte Ohtamaa made a strong debut at the World Championships of 2014 in Minsk: he was selected best defender of the Finnish silver medal team and best Finnish player of the final game. He has played for the Lions at every World Championship tournament since that, earning another silver in 2016. Ohtamaa moved from Finnish champions Kärpät to the KHL team Jokerit in 2014 and further on to Kazan two years later.

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* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

55	ATTE OHTAMAA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
07/08	Kärpät, FIN	10	1	0	1	8	1	0	0	0	0	
	Hokki, FIN-2	15	4	5	9	16						
08/09	Kärpät, FIN	48	0	2	2	32	15	0	0	0	27	
09/10	Kärpät, FIN	51	2	7	9	30	6	1	0	1	4	
10/11	Kärpät, FIN	45	2	9	11	32	2	0	0	0	2	
11/12	Kärpät, FIN	48	4	8	12	30	5	0	0	0	8	
12/13	Kärpät, FIN	60	3	15	18	55	3	0	0	0	4	
13/14	Kärpät, FIN	57	5	17	22	61	16	2	1	3	10	WCh silver (10 GP, 0+1=1)
14/15	Jokerit, KHL	55	1	9	10	37	10	1	3	4	6	WCh 6th (7 GP, 0+0=0)
15/16	Jokerit, KHL	59	4	4	8	46	4	0	0	0	2	WCh silver (10 GP, 1+1=2)
16/17	Ak Bars Kazan, KHL	55	2	10	12	10	15	1	1	2	10	WCh 4th (10 GP, 1+1=2)
17/18*	Ak Bars Kazan, KHL	45	3	3	6	16						
	KHL totals:	214	10	26	36	109	29	2	4	6	18	National team: 82 games, 5+9=14 points



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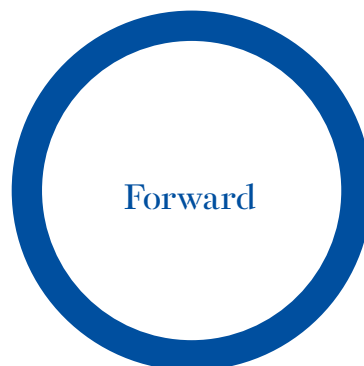


Marko Anttila



*May 27, 1985 Lempäälä
203 cm, 104 kg
TEAM: Jokerit, Helsinki (KHL)

Marko Anttila makes history in Pyeongchang: measuring 203 centimetres, he becomes the tallest ever Finnish Olympic Winter Games athlete. He already is the tallest player in the history of the Finnish national ice hockey team. Anttila made his breakthrough in the Finnish league in the 2012/13 season, which earned him a call to his first World Championship tournament. He then had a brief spell in the KHL with Metallurg Novokuznetsk before moving on to Sweden. In 2016 he returned to the KHL with Jokerit.



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12	MARKO ANTILA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
04/05	Ilves, FIN	28	2	1	3	10	3	0	0	0	0	
05/06	Ilves, FIN	50	4	3	7	46	4	0	0	0	0	
06/07	Ilves, FIN	53	2	2	4	34	7	1	0	1	8	
07/08	Ilves, FIN	56	14	9	23	90	9	2	2	4	4	
08/09	Ilves, FIN	58	8	14	22	69	3	0	0	0	2	
09/10	Ilves, FIN	57	8	18	26	52						
10/11	Ilves, FIN	33	5	8	13	26	6	2	1	3	4	
11/12	TPS, FIN	59	14	22	36	36	2	0	1	1	4	
12/13	TPS, FIN	60	17	24	41	68						WCh 4th (7 GP, 0+1=1)
13/14	Metallurg Novokuznetsk, KHL	16	2	4	6	10						
	Ariada Volzhsk, RUS-2	6	2	3	5	6						
	Örebro HK, SWE	22	13	7	20	30						
14/15	Örebro HK, SWE	52	14	6	20	16	6	0	1	1	8	
15/16	Örebro HK, SWE	49	8	6	14	28	2	1	1	2	35	
16/17	Jokerit, KHL	56	7	9	16	41	4	0	1	1	2	
17/18*	Jokerit, KHL	50	8	8	16	26						
	KHL totals:	122	17	21	38	77	4	0	1	1	2	National team: 56 games, 4+12=16 points



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Jonas Enlund



*November 3, 1987 Helsinki
183 cm, 87 kg
TEAM: Sibir Novosibirsk (KHL)

Recent good form in the KHL earned Jonas Enlund a surprise call to his first major national team tournament at senior level. He has been playing in the eastern league for the last eight seasons but has long stayed under the radar of national team selectors. Enlund has recently returned to his first Russian club Sibir Novosibirsk after forays into top teams SKA and CSKA and an injury-ridden brief Chinese spell with Kunlun Red Star.

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25	JONAS ENLUND	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
04/05	HIFK, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh 7th (6 GP, 1+3=4)
05/06	HIFK, FIN (jun.)											
06/07	Tappara, FIN	46	2	1	3	8	5	0	0	0	0	U20WCh 6th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
07/08	Tappara, FIN	56	19	22	41	10	11	3	3	6	4	
08/09	Tappara, FIN	58	11	16	27	26						
09/10	Tappara, FIN	58	28	21	49	28	9	4	3	7	8	
10/11	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	52	9	15	24	20	3	0	0	0	0	
11/12	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	53	17	19	36	26						
12/13	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	51	14	24	38	30	7	1	0	1	0	
13/14	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	53	19	14	33	24	10	4	2	6	4	
14/15	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	52	17	28	45	4	16	1	7	8	4	
15/16	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl, KHL	27	4	1	5	2						
	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	1	0	1	1	0						
16/17	CSKA Moscow, KHL	25	4	8	12	12						
	Kunlun Red Star, KHL	8	0	0	0	25						
17/18*	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	53	9	17	26	18						
	KHL totals:	375	93	127	220	161	36	6	9	15	8	National team: 24 games, 3+3=6 points



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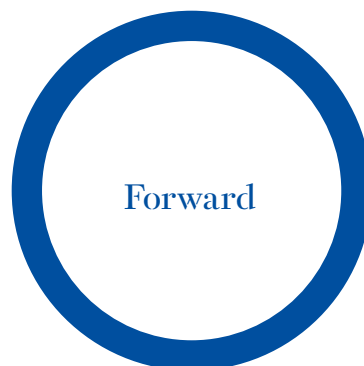


Teemu Hartikainen



*May 3, 1990 Kuopio
186 cm, 91 kg
TEAM: Salavat Yulaev Ufa (KHL)

Teemu Hartikainen has been the most efficient Finnish player in the KHL this season. He joined Salavat Yulaev Ufa five years ago after spending three seasons in North America with Edmonton Oilers and its AHL affiliate. Hartikainen first made a name for himself in 2009 when he won the best rookie's award in the Finnish league and starred at the U20 World Championships. His only previous call to the senior national team has been at the World Championships of 2015 in Czech Republic.



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70	TEEMU HARTIKAINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
07/08	KalPa, FIN	1	0	0	0	0						U18 WCh 6th (6 GP, 2+1=3)
08/09	KalPa, FIN	51	17	6	23	12	12	3	0	3	0	U20 WCh 7th (6 GP, 3+6=9)
09/10	KalPa, FIN	53	15	18	33	22	13	6	1	7	28	U20 WCh 5th (6 GP, 4+2=6)
10/11	Edmonton Oilers, NHL	12	3	2	5	4						
	Oklahoma City Barons, AHL	66	17	25	42	27	6	0	1	1	4	
11/12	Edmonton Oilers, NHL	17	2	3	5	6						
	Oklahoma City Barons, AHL	51	14	18	32	19	14	4	4	8	4	
12/13	Edmonton Oilers, NHL	23	1	2	3	6						
	Oklahoma City Barons, AHL	47	14	23	37	23	17	7	8	15	6	
13/14	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	47	14	16	30	32	18	2	6	8	10	
14/15	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	60	15	25	40	26	5	2	2	4	2	WCh 6th (4 GP, 1+0=1)
15/16	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	54	10	29	39	22	19	4	3	7	14	
16/17	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	46	19	17	36	37						
17/18*	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	53	20	19	39	26						
	NHL totals:	52	6	7	13	16						
	KHL totals:	260	78	106	184	143	42	8	11	19	26	National team: 37 games, 6+6=12 points



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Ice Hockey, Men

Julius Junttila



*August 15, 1991 Oulu
178 cm, 81 kg
TEAM: Kärpät Oulu

Julius Junttila played second-string role in Kärpät's championship victories in the Finnish league in 2014 and 2015. After one year spent at Luleå across the border in Sweden he came back to Kärpät in 2017. In the current season Junttila has taken the Finnish hockey scene by storm: he leads the league in points by a wide margin. That earned him a call to the Olympic team in Pyeongchang, which will be his first major tournament in the Finnish Lions jersey.

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13	JULIUS JUNTILA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
09/10	Kärpät, FIN	5	3	0	3	0	3	0	1	1	0	
	Hokki, FIN-2	1	1	1	2	0						
10/11	Kärpät, FIN	29	4	4	8	6						U20 WCh 6th (6 GP, 2+3=5)
	Kiekko-Laser, FIN-2	5	2	4	6	2						
11/12	Kärpät, FIN	57	13	15	28	20	9	1	1	2	2	
12/13	Kärpät, FIN	60	15	10	25	32	3	2	1	3	25	
13/14	Kärpät, FIN	56	19	15	34	16	16	1	3	4	6	
14/15	Kärpät, FIN	48	12	21	33	8	19	6	9	15	4	
15/16	Kärpät, FIN	40	15	10	25	14	11	2	1	3	4	
16/17	Luleå HF, SWE	35	3	7	10	4	2	0	1	1	1	
17/18*	Kärpät, FIN	45	12	38	50	18						
												National team: 10 games, 0+3=3 points



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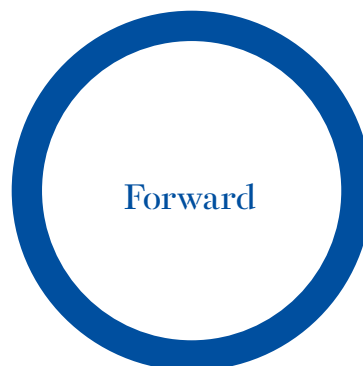
Joonas Kemppainen



*April 7, 1988 Kajaani
188 cm, 100 kg
TEAM: Salavat Yulaev Ufa (KHL)

Joonas Kemppainen tied the record in playoffs points when he led Kärpät to the Finnish championship title in 2015. He next moved west to Boston Bruins and one year later east to the KHL. In 2017 Kemppainen joined Salavat Yulaev Ufa, team coached by Erkkä Westerlund, Finland's Olympic team coach in 2006 and 2014. Kemppainen has not yet won medals in the senior national team, but he has played well whenever called for Lions duty: in 2017 he scored the decisive goal when Finland beat the USA in the quarter-final of the World Championships.

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23	JOONAS KEMPPAINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
04/05	Ässät, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh 7th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
05/06	Ässät, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh silver (6 GP, 1+1=2)
06/07	Ässät, FIN	43	1	3	4	4						
07/08	Ässät, FIN	22	1	1	2	0						U20 WCh 6th (6 GP, 2+1=3)
	Jukurit, FIN-2	8	1	5	6	2						
08/09	HPK, FIN	54	7	15	22	20	6	1	0	1	2	
09/10	HPK, FIN	55	7	19	26	12	17	0	1	1	0	
10/11	Kärpät, FIN	60	2	5	7	10	3	1	1	2	0	
11/12	Kärpät, FIN	60	9	14	23	43	1	0	0	0	0	
12/13	Kärpät, FIN	60	7	6	13	14	3	1	0	1	0	
13/14	Kärpät, FIN	51	17	14	31	6	16	0	4	4	12	
14/15	Kärpät, FIN	59	11	21	32	18	19	10	14	24	2	WCh 6th (8 GP, 3+6=9)
15/16	Boston Bruins, NHL	44	2	3	5	4						
	Providence Bruins, AHL	11	1	4	5	2						
16/17	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	60	11	12	23	22						WCh 4th (10 GP, 2+1=3)
17/18*	Salavat Yulaev Ufa, KHL	54	15	21	36	10						
	NHL totals:	44	2	3	5	4						
	KHL totals:	114	26	33	59	32						National team: 52 games, 13+11=24 points



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Ice Hockey, Men

Petri Kontiola



*October 4, 1984 Seinäjoki

182 cm, 90 kg

TEAM: Lokomotiv Yaroslavl (KHL)

Three tournaments stand out in Petri Kontiola's history in the Finnish Lions. In Moscow in 2007 he scored seven points at his debut World Championships, including one against Canada in the final. At the 2013 World Championships Kontiola led the whole tournament in scoring (8+8) and was selected All-Star forward of the event. In Sochi 2014 he gave the assist to Finland's opening goal in the epic quarter-final victory over Russia. Kontiola has played more games in the KHL than any other Finn; the current season is his ninth in the league.

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27	PETRI KONTOILA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
03/04	Tappara, FIN	39	4	9	13	29	3	1	1	2	0	U20 WCh bronze (7 GP, 1+1=2)
04/05	Tappara, FIN	54	8	17	25	24	8	2	2	4	2	
05/06	Tappara, FIN	56	9	35	44	55	6	1	3	4	0	
06/07	Tappara, FIN	51	12	35	47	50	5	1	3	4	8	WCh silver (9 GP, 2+5=7)
07/08	Chicago Blackhawks, NHL	12	0	5	5	6						
	Rockford IceHogs, AHL	66	18	50	68	32	12	5	5	10	4	
08/09	Rockford IceHogs, AHL	61	15	38	53	22						
	Iowa Chops, AHL	20	4	5	9	8						
09/10	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	54	7	15	22	24	10	2	2	4	0	WCh 6th (7 GP, 3+0=3)
10/11	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	54	14	34	48	36	16	2	6	8	14	
11/12	Traktor Chelyabinsk, KHL	53	15	22	37	34	16	3	6	9	37	WCh 4th (10 GP, 0+2=2)
12/13	Traktor Chelyabinsk, KHL	44	12	19	31	51	25	10	9	19	12	WCh 4th (10 GP, 8+8=16)
13/14	Traktor Chelyabinsk, KHL	53	15	22	37	34						OG bronze (6 GP, 1+4=5)
												WCh silver (10 GP, 3+6=9)
14/15	Toronto Marlies, AHL	11	0	0	0	0						WCh 6th (8 GP, 1+1=2)
	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl, KHL	26	1	10	11	12	6	0	0	0	0	
15/16	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl, KHL	48	7	25	32	24						
16/17	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl, KHL	59	18	22	40	34	15	2	6	8	14	
17/18*	Lokomotiv Yaroslavl, KHL	51	11	16	27	24						
	NHL totals:	12	0	5	5	6						
	KHL totals:	442	100	185	285	273	88	19	29	48	77	National team: 138 games, 31+55=86 points

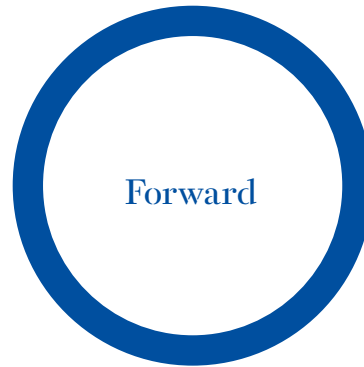
Jarno Koskiranta



*December 9, 1986 Paimio
192 cm, 88 kg
TEAM: SKA St. Petersburg (KHL)

Jarno Koskiranta joined the star-studded SKA team in 2015. In the spring of 2017 he celebrated the KHL championship together with goaltender Mikko Koskinen. In that summer Koskiranta took the Gagarin Cup just across the Finnish border to Lappeenranta where he had made his breakthrough in the Finnish league with SaiPa in 2012. Koskiranta has played his best Lions tournament in the city of St. Petersburg as well: in 2016 he scored three goals when Finland won silver at the World Championships.

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40	JARNO KOSKIRANTA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
07/08	HC Salamat, FIN-2	43	11	15	26	26						
08/09	Jokipojat, FIN-2	45	12	17	29	24	11	4	7	11	6	
09/10	SaiPa, FIN	58	15	16	31	28						
10/11	SaiPa, FIN	60	8	24	32	20						
11/12	SaiPa, FIN	60	17	22	39	26						
12/13	Tappara, FIN	58	22	18	40	24	14	9	1	10	4	WCh 4th (10 GP, 2+1=3)
13/14	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	54	7	6	13	20	10	2	2	4	6	
14/15	Sibir Novosibirsk, KHL	58	13	32	45	18	16	5	1	6	4	
15/16	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	54	15	13	28	26	15	4	1	5	0	WCh silver (10 GP, 3+1=4)
16/17	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	57	12	6	18	22	18	6	4	10	12	
17/18*	SKA St. Petersburg, KHL	39	6	7	13	6						
	KHL totals:	262	53	64	117	92	59	17	8	25	22	National team: 61 games, 7+4=11 points



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Ice Hockey, Men

Jani Lajunen



*June 16, 1990 Espoo
189 cm, 97 kg
TEAM: HC Lugano (Switzerland)

Jani Lajunen had an unforgettable first tournament in the Finnish senior national team in 2011 in Bratislava: he scored the decisive goal against Russia in the semi-final and gave the assist to Finland's sixth goal in the rout over Sweden in the World Championship final. After two seasons spent playing for minor league affiliates of Nashville Predators Lajunen made a successful return to European hockey: he won the Swedish championship title with Växjö in 2015 and two Finnish ones with Tappara in 2016 and 2017 before joining HC Lugano in the Swiss league. His older brother Ville Lajunen is also a national team hockey player.

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24	JANI LAJUNEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
07/08	Espoo Blues, FIN	1	0	0	0	0						U18 WCh 6th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
08/09	Espoo Blues, FIN	25	1	1	2	4	2	0	0	0	0	U20 WCh 7th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
09/10	Espoo Blues, FIN	46	6	9	15	34	3	0	0	0	2	U20 WCh 5th (6 GP, 1+4=5)
10/11	Espoo Blues, FIN	60	10	12	22	46	18	3	4	7	12	WCh gold (4 GP, 2+1=3)
11/12	Milwaukee Admirals, AHL	75	5	11	16	18	3	1	0	1	0	
12/13	Milwaukee Admirals, AHL	40	1	4	5	14						
	Peoria Rivermen, AHL	19	1	1	2	4						
13/14	Växjö Lakers, SWE	44	8	12	20	16	12	1	0	1	4	
14/15	Växjö Lakers, SWE	48	5	15	20	35	18	6	5	11	8	
15/16	Tappara, FIN	58	16	17	33	18	18	4	6	10	6	WCh silver (6 GP, 0+0=0)
16/17	Tappara, FIN	59	14	21	35	22	18	2	7	9	8	WCh 4th (10 GP, 1+1=2)
17/18*	HC Lugano, SUI	39	6	15	21	18						
												National team: 38 games, 4+8=12 points



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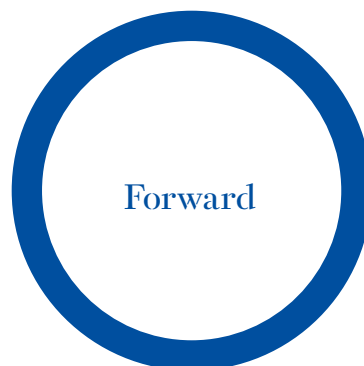


Sakari Manninen



*February 10, 1992 Oulu
170 cm, 71 kg
TEAM: Örebro HK (Sweden)

The Olympic tournament in Pyeongchang will be Sakari Manninen's first major championship event in the Lions jersey at any level. He won the Finnish championship title with Kärpät in 2015 but really came to the fore only after joining HPK Hämeenlinna later that year. In 2017 Manninen moved on to Örebro, his first address outside Finland. Manninen was first called to national team duty for the European Hockey Tour in December 2016, but narrowly missed selection for the World Championships in the spring.



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65	SAKARI MANNINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
12/13	Hokki, FIN-2	38	13	16	29	8	4	0	3	3	0	
13/14	Kärpät, FIN	7	0	0	0	2						
	Peliitat, FIN-2	10	4	5	9	2						
	KalPa, FIN	8	1	0	1	4						
14/15	Kärpät, FIN	51	4	15	19	8	19	2	3	5	0	
15/16	HPK, FIN	51	10	21	31	12						
	Kärpät, FIN	10	1	4	5	2	13	2	5	7	2	
16/17	HPK, FIN	57	16	24	40	12	7	2	3	5	0	
17/18*	Örebro HK, SWE	39	10	13	23	8						
												National team: 18 games, 3+3=6 points



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Ice Hockey, Men

Oskar Osala



*December 26, 1987 Vaasa

194 cm, 100 kg

TEAM: Metallurg Magnitogorsk (KHL)

Oskar Osala played in North America for two seasons with affiliates of Washington Capitals and Carolina Hurricanes, winning the AHL championship trophy Calder Cup with Hershey Bears in 2009. In 2011 Osala embarked on a long and successful career in the KHL. He has won the Gagarin Cup with Metallurg Magnitogorsk twice, in 2014 and 2016. In the Finnish Lions Osala is yet to win a medal: he played his first games in the national team in 2007 but has been called to World Championship tournaments only twice.

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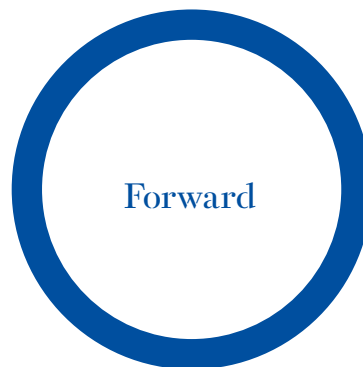
62	OSKAR OSALA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
03/04	Sport, FIN-2	5	0	0	0	0						
04/05	Sport, FIN-2	21	1	4	5	6	7	0	0	0	6	U18 WCh 7th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
05/06	Mississauga IceDogs, OHL (jun.)	68	17	26	43	86						
06/07	Mississauga IceDogs, OHL (jun.)	54	22	22	44	81	5	2	2	4	0	U20 WCh 6th (6 GP, 5+3=8)
07/08	Blues Espoo, FIN	53	18	17	35	62	17	7	3	10	8	
08/09	Washington Capitals, NHL	2	0	0	0	0						
	Hershey Bears, AHL	74	23	14	37	47	22	6	4	10	17	
09/10	Hershey Bears, AHL	53	15	14	29	57						WCh 6th (4 GP, 0+0=0)
	Carolina Hurricanes, NHL	1	0	0	0	0						
	Albany River Rats, AHL	16	10	3	13	11	8	2	1	3	2	
10/11	Charlotte Checkers, AHL	59	13	29	42	55	15	3	2	5	29	
11/12	Neftekhimik Nizhnekamsk, KHL	41	12	7	19	44						
12/13	Neftekhimik Nizhnekamsk, KHL	44	15	11	26	54	4	0	1	1	17	
13/14	Neftekhimik Nizhnekamsk, KHL	33	5	12	17	20						
	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	19	5	5	10	31	21	0	6	6	43	
14/15	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	55	11	5	16	85	10	1	2	3	4	
15/16	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	60	12	15	27	76	11	3	2	5	8	
16/17	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	60	14	14	28	53	18	6	1	7	29	WCh 4th (10 GP, 1+2=3)
17/18*	Metallurg Magnitogorsk, KHL	53	14	9	23	88						
	NHL totals:	3	0	0	0	0						
	KHL totals:	365	88	78	166	451	64	10	12	22	101	National team: 68 games, 9+11=20 points

Jukka Peltola



*August 26, 1987 Tampere
184 cm, 84 kg
TEAM: Tappara, Tampere

Jukka Peltola captained Tappara to Finnish championship titles in 2016 and 2017. He won the MVP award of the playoffs on the latter occasion. Peltola first played in the Finnish national team at the European Hockey Tour in 2011 and scored his first goal for the Lions at the EHT tournament in Helsinki in November 2017. Pyeongchang will be his first major championship event.



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81	JUKKA PELTOLA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
06/07	Tappara, FIN	4	0	0	0	0						
07/08	Tappara, FIN	15	0	1	1	0						
08/09	Tappara, FIN	52	8	11	19	10						
09/10	Tappara, FIN	49	4	4	8	12	9	0	1	1	0	
	LeKi, FIN-2	2	0	0	0	2						
10/11	Tappara, FIN	55	4	12	16	22						
11/12	Tappara, FIN	47	8	16	24	18						
12/13	Tappara, FIN	52	6	4	10	12	15	6	2	8	6	
13/14	Tappara, FIN	60	7	17	24	22	20	2	3	5	8	
14/15	Tappara, FIN	59	9	14	23	51	20	4	4	8	2	
15/16	Tappara, FIN	59	17	22	39	16	17	1	3	4	2	
16/17	Tappara, FIN	51	11	24	35	20	18	4	5	9	0	
17/18*	Tappara, FIN	44	13	12	25	6						
												National team: 17 games, 1+0=1 points



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Ice Hockey, Men

Mika Pyörälä



*July 13, 1981 Oulu
182 cm, 81 kg
TEAM: SC Bern (Switzerland)

The oldest player in the Finnish men's hockey team finally gets to make his Olympic debut. Mika Pyörälä has seen almost everything else in his hockey career: he has played in three World Championship finals and won one of them: in 2011 in Bratislava he scored the fifth goal in Finland's 6–1 victory over Sweden. He has won four Finnish championship titles with Kärpät and played in the NHL, the KHL and on three separate occasions in the Swedish league. In 2017 Pyörälä, aged 36, won the MVP award of the Finnish regular season after scoring career-high 55 points. Another valued prize was the Golden Helmet voted by his fellow league players.

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37	MIKA PYÖRÄLÄ	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
00/01	Kärpät, FIN	5	0	0	0	0	9	1	0	1	2	
01/02	Kärpät, FIN	51	4	2	6	35	4	0	1	1	2	
02/03	Kärpät, FIN	56	17	11	28	22	15	2	3	5	6	
03/04	Kärpät, FIN	53	12	19	31	8	13	0	1	1	0	
04/05	Kärpät, FIN	56	9	13	22	18	11	3	1	4	4	
05/06	Kärpät, FIN	41	13	8	21	10	11	5	6	11	0	
06/07	Kärpät, FIN	56	28	17	45	30	10	4	2	6	6	WCh silver (8 GP, 0+1=1)
07/08	Timrå IK, SWE	46	17	16	33	18	11	6	4	10	0	WCh bronze (9 GP, 0+0=0)
08/09	Timrå IK, SWE	55	21	22	43	10	7	2	1	3	6	WCh 5th (6 GP, 1+1=2)
09/10	Philadelphia Flyers, NHL	36	2	2	4	10						
	Adirondack Phantoms, AHL	35	8	10	18	10						
10/11	Frölunda HC, SWE	48	14	9	23	8						WCh gold (9 GP, 1+2=3)
11/12	Frölunda HC, SWE	53	22	18	40	12	6	1	2	3	2	WCh 4th (9 GP, 1+1=2)
12/13	Amur Khabarovsk, KHL	25	5	4	9	4						
	Luleå HF, SWE	32	5	12	17	6	13	1	2	3	8	
13/14	Kärpät, FIN	60	13	23	36	16	16	6	10	16	4	
14/15	Kärpät, FIN	57	15	18	33	28	19	8	6	14	4	
15/16	Kärpät, FIN	49	15	17	32	12	14	5	7	12	12	WCh silver (10 GP, 1+3=4)
16/17	Kärpät, FIN	60	26	29	55	20	2	0	1	1	0	WCh 4th (10 GP, 0+2=2)
17/18*	SC Bern, SUI	28	3	4	7	16						
	NHL totals:	36	2	2	4	10						
	KHL totals:	25	5	4	9	4						National team: 144 games, 15+27=42 points

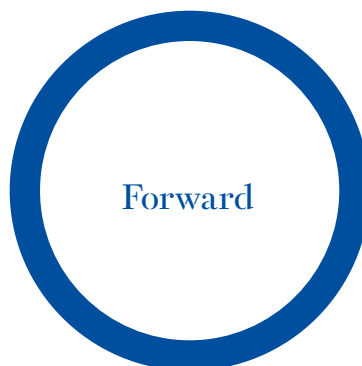
Veli-Matti Savinainen



*January 5, 1986 Espoo
182 cm, 82 kg
TEAM: Yugra Khanty-Mansiysk (KHL)

Veli-Matti Savinainen was a key player when Ässät won a surprising Finnish championship title in 2013. He celebrated victories again with Tappara in 2016 and in 2017, in the latter year as leading goalscorer of the regular season, before returning to the KHL for a second spell with Yugra Khanty-Mansiysk. Savinainen scored three goals at his first World Championship tournament in 2013 and played in the silver medal team in the following year in Minsk.

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86	VELI-MATTI SAVINAINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
05/06	FoPS, FIN-2	35	3	3	6	20						
06/07	FoPS, FIN-2	44	14	19	33	60						
07/08	Ässät, FIN	48	4	7	11	52						
	KooKoo, FIN-2	2	1	1	2	2						
08/09	Ässät, FIN	51	6	19	25	18						
09/10	Ässät, FIN	50	6	7	13	48						
10/11	Ässät, FIN	55	9	13	22	34	6	0	3	3	0	
11/12	Ässät, FIN	60	17	14	31	67	4	1	1	2	2	
12/13	Ässät, FIN	46	20	16	36	43	16	4	5	9	10	WCh 4th (10 GP, 3+1=4)
13/14	Yugra Khanty-Mansiysk, KHL	49	13	6	19	54						WCh silver (7 GP, 0+0=0)
14/15	Leksands IF, SWE	24	5	5	10	12						
	Torpedo Nizhny Novgorod, KHL	25	2	3	5	4	4	0	0	0	10	
15/16	Tappara, FIN	44	7	15	22	18	18	2	2	4	28	
16/17	Tappara, FIN	55	30	26	56	36	17	5	6	11	30	WCh 4th (10 GP, 3+4=7)
17/18*	Yugra Khanty-Mansiysk, KHL	48	9	8	17	14						
	KHL totals:	122	24	17	41	72	4	0	0	0	10	National team: 62 games, 16+8=24 points



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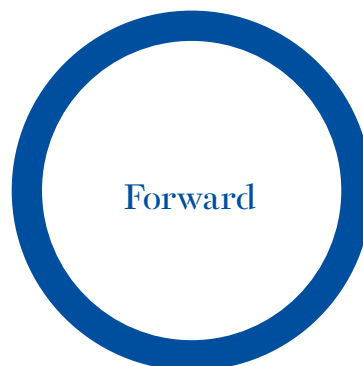
Ice Hockey, Men

Eeli Tolvanen



*April 22, 1999 Vihti
179 cm, 82 kg
TEAM: Jokerit, Helsinki (KHL)

Eeli Tolvanen broke several scoring records in Finnish junior ranks before joining Sioux City Musketeers in the junior hockey league USHL in 2015. He was selected in the first round by Nashville Predators in the 2017 NHL draft. Later that year Tolvanen made a spectacular debut with Jokerit, scoring three goals in his first KHL match against Dynamo Minsk. Tolvanen starred in the gold medal winning Finnish team at the U18 World Championships of 2016: he scored three goals in the quarter-final against Russia and one in the final against Sweden. He made his debut in the senior national team at the European Hockey Tour in November 2017.



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Twitter: eeli1999

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

20	EELI TOLVANEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
15/16	Sioux City Musketeers, USHL (jun.)	49	17	21	38	12						U18 WCh gold (7 GP, 7+2=9)
16/17	Sioux City Musketeers, USHL (jun.)	52	30	24	54	26	13	5	5	10	6	U20 WCh 9th (6 GP, 2+4=6)
17/18*	Jokerit, KHL	47	17	17	34	28						U20 WCh 6th (5 GP, 1+5=6)
	KHL totals:	47	17	17	34	28						National team: 3 games, 2+1=3 points



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Ice Hockey, Women

Finland has won a total of six Olympic medals in biathlon but never yet a golden one. The most successful Finnish Olympic biathlete has been Heikki Ikola, who won a total of three silver medals in 1972 and 1976. The latest medal has been Ville Räikkönen's bronze in men's sprint in Nagano 1998. The best Olympic achievement of Finnish women so far is sixth place by Kaisa Mäkäräinen in the mass start race in Sochi 2014.

Meeri Räisänen



*December 2, 1989 Tampere
170 cm, 62 kg
TEAM: HPK, Hämeenlinna

Meeri Räisänen was Finland's backup goaltender at the 2014 Olympic tournament in Sochi. At the next two World Championships she guarded the Finnish net and was selected All Stars goaltender on both occasions. At club level Räisänen has celebrated Finnish championship title with JYP in 2016 and the European Champions Cup with SKIF Nizhny Novgorod in 2015. In the past few seasons she has been playing in men's third-division teams in addition to the Finnish women's league.

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* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

18	MEERI RÄISÄNEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
06/07	Jyväskylä Cats, FIN	9		5.04	87.8							
07/08	-											
08/09	Ilves, FIN	4		2.50	89.6							
	Espoo Blues, FIN	2		0.00	100,0							
09/10	Espoo Blues, FIN	-					3		3.37	90.6		
10/11	Robert Morris University, NCAA	15		3.43	88.9							
	Espoo Blues, FIN	9		2.09	93.8							
11/12	JYP, FIN	16		3.01	92.7		4		2.52	95.0		WCh 4th (3 GP, avg. 5.47, S% 80.0)
12/13	JYP, FIN	21		0.90	96.5		8		1.67	95.4		WCh 4th (2 GP, avg. 1.59, S% 89.5)
13/14	JYP, FIN	21		-	94.7		8		-	93.0		OG 5th (did not play)
14/15	SKIF Nizhny Novgorod, RUS	-		-	-							WCh bronze (5 GP, avg. 1.99, S% 93.2)
15/16	D-Kiekko, FIN-3 (men)	9		5.16	84.1							WCh 4th (6 GP, avg. 2.43, S% 92.1)
	JYP, FIN	5		1.38	95.2		6		0.80	96.9		
16/17	Kiekkokopla, FIN-3 (men)	8		6.06	83.1							
	JYP, FIN-2	3		1.33	95.1		6		2.31	94.4		
17/18*	HPK, FIN	21		2.04	93.6							
												National team: 112 games

Noora Rätty



*May 29, 1989 Espoo

165 cm, 65 kg

TEAM: Kunlun Red Star (China/
Canadian Women's Hockey League)

Noora Rätty has long been considered perhaps the best female goaltender in the world. She has been selected Most Valuable Player of the World Championship tournament once (in 2008) and best goaltender four times. Rätty led the Minnesota Golden Gophers to NCAA championship titles in 2012 and 2013. She still holds the NCAA records in career shutouts (43) and career save percentage (94.9 %). Rätty returned to the national team in 2017 after a pause of two years. After

playing for three years with men's teams in Finnish lower divisions she embarked on a new career in 2017: at Kunlun Red Star she plays professional hockey against Canadian teams while serving as ambassador for women's hockey in China.

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Goaltender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

41	NOORA RÄTTY	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
04/05												WCh 4th (1 GP, avg. 8.15, S% 81.0)
05/06	Espoo Blues, FIN	20		1.40	95.1		6		1.55	95.6		OG 4th (3 GP, avg. 3.44, S% 86.7)
06/07	Espoo Blues, FIN	19		1.21	95.4		7		1.23	95.8		WCh 4th (5 GP, avg. 2.00, S% 93.2)
07/08	Espoo Blues, FIN	11		1.74	94.6		9		0.97	97.0		WCh bronze (4 GP, avg. 1.48, S% 92.6)
08/09	Espoo Blues, FIN	5		-	-		6		0.83	96.9		WCh bronze (3 GP, avg. 3.51, S% 88.6)
09/10	University of Minnesota, NCAA	26		1.33	94.8							OG bronze (5 GP, avg. 2.97, S% 88.4)
10/11	University of Minnesota, NCAA	35		1.77	94.1							WCh bronze (5 GP, avg. 1.97, S% 95.7)
11/12	University of Minnesota, NCAA	40		1.35	94.2							WCh 4th (4 GP, avg. 3.83, S% 90.3)
12/13	University of Minnesota, NCAA	38		0.96	95.6							WCh 4th (5 GP, avg. 2.97, S% 90.9)
13/14	Ilves, FIN	2		-	94.0							OG 5th (6 GP, avg. 2.17, S% 92.9)
	SKIF Nizhny Novgorod, RUS	5		-	-							
14/15	Kiekko-Vantaa, FIN-2 (men)	8		3.73	89.3							
	Bewe Tuuski, FIN-3 (men)	6		2.74	91.6							
15/16	KJT, FIN-3 (men)	17		3.59	89.9		3		4.51	89.4		
16/17	KJT, FIN-3 (men)	7		4.41	87.8							WCh bronze (6 GP, avg. 2.03, S% 92.4)
	Pyry Nokia, FIN-3 (men)	4		2.97	89.8							
17/18*	Kunlun Red Star, CWHL	16		1.52	94.7							
												National team: 180 games

Ice Hockey, Women

Eveliina Suonpää



*April 12, 1995 Kiukainen
174 cm, 68 kg
TEAM: Lukko, Rauma

Eveliina Suonpää made her debut in the senior national team in 2013. She belonged to the Olympic team in Sochi 2014 and guarded the net at the World Championships for the first time in 2015 in Malmö. Suonpää was selected best goaltender in the Finnish league in the 2016/17 season. She usually trains with the junior men's teams at his club Lukko.

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Goaltender

*Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

1	EVELIINA SUONPÄÄ	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
11/12	Team Oriflame, FIN	6		3.01	87.5							
12/13	Team Oriflame, FIN	13		3.02	91.7		2		4.00	92.0		U18 WCh 5th (4 GP, avg. 2.77, S% 90.5)
13/14	Team Oriflame, FIN	13		-	89.1							OG 5th (did not play)
14/15	Ilves, FIN	13		-	92.3							WCh bronze (1 GP, avg. 6.00, S% 79.3)
	Univ. of Minnesota-Duluth, NCAA	1		3.00	90.5							
15/16	Ilves, FIN	7		6.35	90.1							
16/17	Lukko, FIN	23		4.15	92.0							WCh bronze (did not play)
17/18*	Lukko, FIN	18		4.55	90.1							
												National team: 40 games



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Jenni Hiirikoski



*March 30, 1987 Lempäälä
162 cm, 62 kg
TEAM: Luleå HF (Sweden)

Jenni Hiirikoski is the captain of the Finnish team and provenly the best female ice hockey defender in the world: she has been selected best defender at every Olympic or World Championship tournament for the last six years. In the Finnish league she has gathered five MVP prizes. In 2016 Hiirikoski moved from Finnish champions JYP to Luleå in the Swedish league. While playing in Finland she had to earn her living as a plasterer but in Sweden she has been able to concentrate full-time on hockey.

Defender

*Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

6	JENNI HIIRIKOSKI	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
01/02	Ilves, FIN	8	2	2	4	2	8	0	2	2	14	
02/03	Ilves, FIN	23	6	3	9	6	6	3	0	3	2	
03/04	Ilves, FIN	24	6	11	17	14	7	1	3	4	2	WCh bronze (5 GP, 0+0=0)
04/05	Ilves, FIN	20	3	17	20	10	5	2	0	2	0	WCh 4th (5 GP, 1+0=1)
05/06	Ilves, FIN	15	0	7	7	18	7	2	0	2	14	
06/07	Espoo Blues, FIN	22	8	16	24	20	7	1	3	4	2	WCh 4th (5 GP, 0+1=1)
07/08	Ilves, FIN	19	8	21	29	12	8	2	6	8	6	WCh bronze (5 GP, 1+2=3)
08/09	SKIF Nizhny Novgorod, RUS	-	-	-	-	-						WCh bronze (5 GP, 1+2=3)
09/10	Ilves, FIN	19	4	39	43	6	11	4	7	11	4	OG bronze (5 GP, 0+2=2)
10/11	JYP, FIN	18	4	12	16	28	3	0	0	0	0	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+2=2)
11/12	SKIF Nizhny Novgorod, RUS	-	-	-	-	-						WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+5=5)
	JYP, FIN	8	3	12	15	4						
12/13	JYP, FIN	28	19	18	37	12	8	2	6	8	10	WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
13/14	JYP, FIN	25	20	26	46	12	8	3	8	11	4	OG 5th (6 GP, 3+2=5)
14/15	JYP, FIN	28	18	43	61	10	7	1	7	8	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 2+2=4)
15/16	JYP, FIN	28	17	62	79	8	6	3	9	12	2	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+3=4)
16/17	Luleå HF, SWE	36	12	33	45	28	4	2	2	4	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 3+2=5)
17/18*	Luleå HF, SWE	30	18	29	47	16						
												National team: 309 games, 55+110=165 points

Ice Hockey, Women

Mira Jalosuo



*February 3, 1989 Lieksa
184 cm, 81 kg
TEAM: Kärpät Oulu

Mira Jalosuo has struck gold at nearly every turn of her hockey career: she won two NCAA championship titles with Minnesota Golden Gophers, European Champions Cup with SKIF and Swedish title with Luleå before scoring the deciding goal for Kärpät in the Finnish league finals in 2017. In the Finnish national team she has taken five bronze medals at World Championship tournaments. Jalosuo has earned a degree in forensic science from the Hamline University in Minnesota and serves as assistant coach of the schools's women's hockey team.

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Defender

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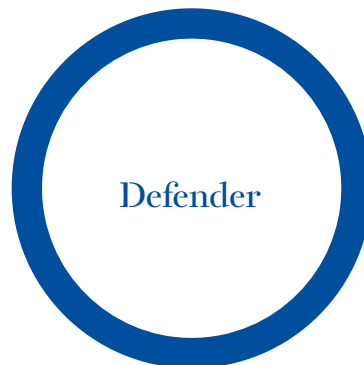
7	MIRA JALOSUO	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
04/05	Kärpät, FIN	1	0	0	0	0						
05/06	Kärpät, FIN	22	5	3	8	10	10	1	1	2	0	
06/07	Kärpät, FIN	22	13	13	26	18	9	2	4	6	10	WCh 4th (5 GP, 0+0=0)
07/08	Kärpät, FIN	20	27	27	54	10	6	2	2	4	4	WCh bronze (5 GP, 0+0=0)
08/09	Kärpät, FIN	20	9	7	16	14	5	0	0	5	5	WCh bronze (5 GP, 0+0=0)
09/10	University of Minnesota, NCAA	37	1	5	6	12						
10/11	University of Minnesota, NCAA	38	4	8	12	16						WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
11/12	University of Minnesota, NCAA	36	3	6	9	14						WCh 4th (5 GP, 0+1=1)
12/13	University of Minnesota, NCAA	41	11	19	30	14						WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
13/14	SKIF Nizhny Novgorod, RUS	29	8	33	41	8						OG 5th (5 GP, 0+1=1)
14/15	SKIF Nizhny Novgorod, RUS	-	-	-	-	-						WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
15/16	Luleå HF, SWE	3	2	5	7	0	7	3	2	5	4	WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+3=3)
16/17	Minnesota Whitecaps	-	-	-	-	-						WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+0=1)
	Kärpät, FIN	1	0	0	0	0	8	5	5	10	6	
17/18*	Minnesota Whitecaps	-	-	-	-	-						
	Kärpät, FIN	5	1	3	4	4						
												National team: 186 games, 11+32=43 points

Rosa Lindstedt



*January 24, 1988 Ylöjärvi
187 cm, 80 kg
TEAM: HV71 (Sweden)

Rosa Lindstedt has been a cornerstone in Finnish defence ever since her major international debut at the Vancouver Olympic Games in 2010. She moved to the Swedish team HV71 in 2016 after playing thirteen consecutive seasons in the Finnish league. Lindstedt is the tallest woman ever to represent Finland at Olympic Games. She is not the only Olympic medallist in her family: her mother's cousin Marko Asell won silver in wrestling in Atlanta 1996.



* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

4	ROSA LINDSTEDT	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
02/03	Ylöjärven Ilves, FIN	14	0	1	1	24						
03/04	Tappara, FIN	22	0	0	2	12	3	0	0	0	0	
04/05	Tappara, FIN	18	1	2	3	47	3	1	1	2	2	
05/06	Tappara, FIN	20	0	2	2	22	1	0	0	0	4	
06/07	Tappara, FIN	18	3	0	3	88	2	0	0	0	10	
07/08	Ilves, FIN	20	7	14	21	28	8	2	4	6	2	
08/09	Ilves, FIN	24	5	11	16	36	7	1	0	1	6	
09/10	Ilves, FIN	20	4	24	28	40	11	2	2	4	14	OG bronze (5 GP, 0+1=1)
10/11	Ilves, FIN	24	3	9	12	84	9	1	4	5	8	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+1=1)
11/12	Ilves, FIN	30	5	20	25	28	8	2	2	4	6	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
12/13	JYP, FIN	28	9	14	23	16	8	6	1	7	10	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
13/14	JYP, FIN	22	8	16	24	22	8	1	3	4	8	OG 5th (5 GP, 0+1=1)
14/15	JYP, FIN	26	20	24	44	20	7	1	1	2	20	WCh bronze (6 GP, 3+0=3)
15/16	JYP, FIN	28	16	21	37	16	6	1	3	4	4	WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
16/17	HV71, SWE	36	4	5	9	24	6	1	1	2	8	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+2=2)
17/18*	HV71, SWE	31	6	7	13	22						
												National team: 213 games, 27+38=65 points

Ice Hockey, Women

Isa Rahunen



*April 16, 1993 Kuopio
164 cm, 67 kg
TEAM: Kärpät Oulu

Captain of the champion team Kärpät, Isa Rahunen was selected MVP of the Finnish league season 2016/17. Later in the same spring she won her first World Championship medal in the national team. Rahunen studies for a nursing certificate in Oulu. She is a second-generation hockey player: her mother used to play in the same team with Riikka Välilä.

Defender

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

2	ISARAHUNEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
08/09	KalPa, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 0+1=1)
09/10	KalPa, FIN (jun.)											U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 0+2=2)
10/11	KalPa, FIN	26	3	7	10	14	3	0	2	2	6	U18 WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
11/12	KalPa, FIN	30	10	10	20	46	4	0	1	1	8	
12/13	KalPa, FIN	28	3	12	15	28						
13/14	Kärpät, FIN	27	5	8	13	24	6	0	1	1	25	
14/15	Kärpät, FIN	28	4	7	11	24	4	1	2	3	2	
15/16	Kärpät, FIN	26	0	11	11	20	6	1	0	1	6	
16/17	Kärpät, FIN	28	5	18	23	37	8	1	3	4	6	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
17/18*	Kärpät, FIN	21	6	23	29	18						
												National team: 72 games, 5+11=16 points



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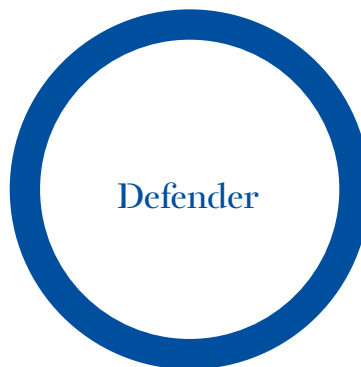
Ronja Savolainen



*November 29, 1997 Helsinki
176 cm, 72 kg
TEAM: Luleå HF (Sweden)

Ronja Savolainen has plenty of hockey experience despite her young age: Pyeongchang will be her fourth major tournament at senior level. In 2017 she made hockey history by scoring the winning goal in Finland's first ever victory over Canada at the World Championships. That took place in a group stage game, and the tournament ended in a customary bronze for Finland. Savolainen joined the Finnish colony at the Swedish team Luleå HF in 2016.

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88	RONJA SAVOLAINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
13/14	KJT, FIN	7	3	3	6	6						U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 0+1=1)
14/15	Espoo Blues, FIN	25	6	20	26	24	5	0	2	2	10	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
												U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 2+1=3)
15/16	Espoo Blues, FIN	26	4	12	16	16	6	0	1	1	1	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+1=2)
16/17	Luleå HF, SWE	31	11	14	25	26	4	0	0	0	2	WCh bronze (6 GP, 2+0=2)
17/18*	Luleå HF, SWE	30	5	17	22	30						
												National team: 80 games, 5+11=16 points



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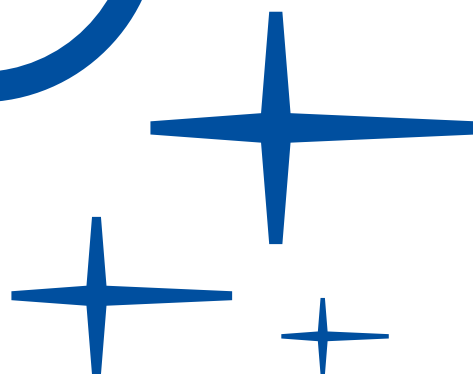
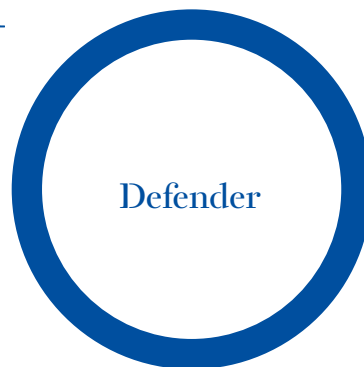
Minnamari Tuominen



* June 26, 1990 Helsinki
165 cm, 71 kg
TEAM: Espoo Blues

Minnamari Tuominen made a successful transition from forward to defender after her second Olympic tournament in Sochi. In Vancouver 2010 she was the youngest player in Finland's bronze medal team. One year later she scored two goals against Russia in the bronze medal game of the World Championships in Zurich. Tuominen has won five Finnish championship titles with Espoo Blues. In between she played four seasons at Ohio State University while studying for a degree in nutritional sciences.

Instagram: [minttutee15](#)
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15	MINNAMARI TUOMINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
06/07	Espoo Blues, FIN	17	5	2	7	0	7	0	1	1	4	
07/08	Espoo Blues, FIN	11	4	3	7	0	9	0	4	4	0	U18 WCh 6th (5 GP, 0+2=2)
08/09	Espoo Blues, FIN	22	14	21	35	6	6	2	3	5	4	
09/10	Ohio State University, NCAA	23	6	5	11	8						OG bronze (5 GP, 0+0=0)
10/11	Ohio State University, NCAA	32	2	8	10	10						WCh bronze (6 GP, 2+2=4)
11/12	Ohio State University, NCAA	32	2	7	9	22						WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
12/13	Ohio State University, NCAA	37	6	13	19	22						WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
13/14	Espoo Blues, FIN	24	11	20	31	24	8	5	9	14	6	OG 5th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
14/15	Espoo Blues, FIN	26	17	32	49	40	3	2	4	6	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+2=3)
15/16	Espoo Blues, FIN	28	13	45	58	16	6	4	3	7	8	WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+1=1)
16/17	Linköping HC, SWE	32	17	9	26	20	5	1	0	1	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+3=3)
17/18*	Espoo Blues, FIN	18	12	11	23	10						
												National team: 193 games, 21+40=61 points



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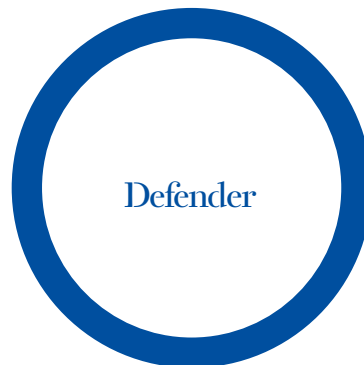
Ella Viitasuo



*May 27, 1996 Lahti
172 cm, 67 kg
TEAM: Espoo Blues

Ella Viitasuo is the only Finnish player in Pyeongchang who has not yet won a medal in the national team.

She made her World Championship debut in 2016 when Finland finished in fourth place and was not selected in 2017, when the team won bronze. Hailing from Lahti, a city with no women's hockey team, Viitasuo has had to take her skills elsewhere: she won the Finnish championship title with JYP Jyväskylä in 2016 and has since that been playing in Espoo.



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8	ELLA VIITASUO	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
12/13	Team Oriflame, FIN	27	1	1	2	40	3	0	0	0	2	U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 0+0=0)
13/14	Team Oriflame, FIN	28	1	5	6	14						U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 0+0=0)
14/15	Team Kuortane, FIN	28	2	4	6	8						
15/16	JYP, FIN	28	5	3	8	4	6	0	1	1	0	WCh 4th (4 GP, 0+0=0)
16/17	Espoo United, FIN	28	8	5	13	12	10	2	2	4	4	
17/18*	Espoo Blues, FIN	23	2	5	7	33						
												National team: 50 games, 0+2=2 points



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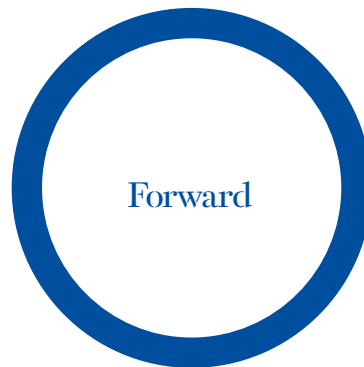
Sanni Hakala



*October 31, 1997 Jyväskylä
154 cm, 55 kg
TEAM: HV71 (Sweden)

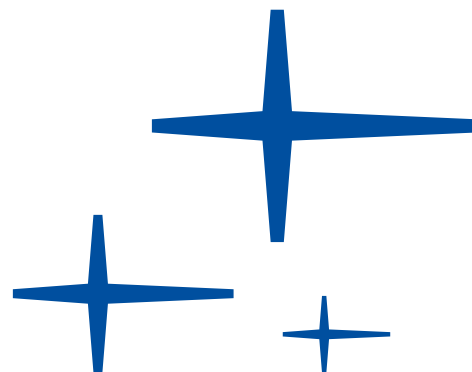
Sanni Hakala played three successful seasons with JYP Jyväskylä alongside Riikka Väilä, 24 years her senior, culminating in the Finnish championship title in 2016. In the following year she joined Väilä again in her new team HV71 in Swedish league. Hakala scored her first World Championship goal in 2017 in Finland's memorable victory game over Canada.

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23	SANNI HAKALA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
12/13	JYP, FIN	12	7	2	9	2	8	0	0	0	6	U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 3+2=5)
13/14	JYP, FIN	25	11	13	24	22	8	6	3	9	6	U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 1+0=1)
14/15	JYP, FIN	25	20	21	41	24	3	0	0	0	0	U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 5+0=5)
15/16	JYP, FIN	23	17	19	36	4	6	0	1	1	2	WCh 4th (4 GP, 0+0=0)
16/17	Kärpät, FIN	13	7	2	9	10						WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+0=1)
	HV71, SWE	18	4	3	7	0	6	1	1	2	4	
17/18*	HV71, SWE	31	14	19	33	10						
												National team: 61 games, 5+1=6 points



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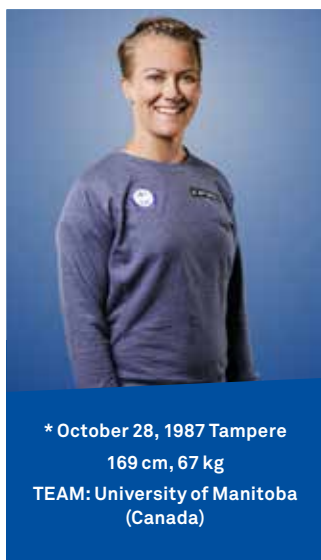
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Venla Hovi



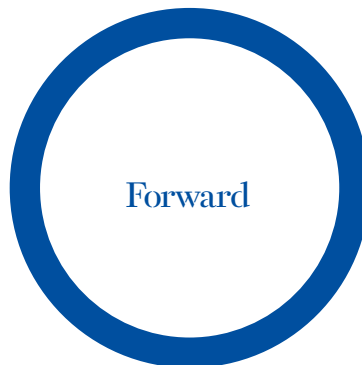
* October 28, 1987 Tampere

169 cm, 67 kg

TEAM: University of Manitoba
(Canada)

Venla Hovi (née Heikkilä) has played for Finland in almost every major tournament since 2007, including Vancouver 2010 where she scored two goals. She took a break from top-level hockey after the Sochi Games but returned to the rink after enrolling at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg to study for a degree in English language. In addition to one Olympic and three World Championship bronze medals Hovi has won silver at the Winter Universiade of 2011 in Erzurum, Turkey as the leading scorer of the tournament.

🐦 VenlaHovi



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9	VENLA HOVI	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
02/03	Ylöjärven Ilves, FIN	14	9	3	12	4						
03/04	Ilves, FIN	21	17	14	31	2	7	2	0	2	0	
04/05	-											
05/06	Ilves, FIN	22	7	6	13	4	7	3	1	4	2	
06/07	Ilves, FIN	22	10	10	20	10	6	2	4	6	2	WCh 4th (5 GP, 0+0=0)
07/08	Niagara University, NCAA	16	5	9	14	10						WCh bronze (4 GP, 0+0=0)
08/09	Ilves, FIN	23	17	25	42	31	7	3	6	9	4	WCh bronze (5 GP, 1+2=3)
09/10	Ilves, FIN	15	15	9	24	8	9	4	3	7	8	OG bronze (5 GP, 2+0=2)
10/11	HPK, FIN	13	7	4	11	10	6	3	1	4	6	
11/12	HPK, FIN	26	22	31	53	38	8	2	1	3	27	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+1=2)
12/13	KalPa, FIN	24	19	20	39	14						WCh 4th (5 GP, 0+0=0)
13/14	KalPa, FIN	25	19	16	35	34	3	0	0	0	0	OG 5th (6 GP, 1+1=2)
14/15	EHV Sabres Wien, AUT (EWCC)	-	-	-	-	-						
15/16	University of Manitoba, CAN	17	7	6	13	6						WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+1=2)
16/17	University of Manitoba, CAN	22	10	15	25	24						WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+2=3)
17/18*	University of Manitoba, CAN	12	4	7	11	8						
												National team: 180 games, 25+42=67 points



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Michelle Karvinen

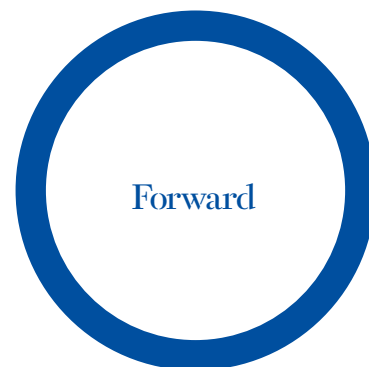


* March 27, 1990 Rødovre
(Denmark)
166 cm, 69 kg
TEAM: Luleå HF (Sweden)

Michelle Karvinen has a Danish mother and a Finnish father who is a hockey coach. She was born and raised in Denmark but decided to play hockey for her father's country in order to compete at the Olympic Games. Karvinen has indeed done great favours for Finland at every Olympic and World Championship tournament since 2009. She was the leading goalscorer in Sochi 2014 and was selected best forward of the tournament. Karvinen played hockey for three years at the

University of North Dakota and has since 2015 plied her trade at Luleå in Sweden, where she has since been joined by three other Finnish national team players. She has been the best scorer in the Swedish league for the past two seasons and led her team to championship title in 2016.

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33	MICHELLE KARVINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
06/07	Rødovre SIK, DEN-2 (men)	5	0	2	2	0						
07/08	Espoo Blues, FIN	17	30	32	62	10	9	8	10	18	16	
08/09	Espoo Blues, FIN	22	33	48	81	22	6	8	8	16	6	WCh bronze (5 GP, 5+2=7)
09/10	Rødovre SIK II, DEN-2 (men)	14	6	8	14	2						OG bronze (5 GP, 1+2=3)
10/11	Rødovre SIK II, DEN-2 (men)	20	3	8	11	2	12	2	3	5	0	WCh bronze (6 GP, 4+4=8)
11/12	University of North Dakota, NCAA	36	24	37	61	65						WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+5=5)
12/13	University of North Dakota, NCAA	27	18	29	47	28						WCh 4th (6 GP, 3+1=4)
13/14	University of North Dakota, NCAA	24	14	9	23	20						OG 5th (6 GP, 5+2=7)
14/15	Espoo Blues (EWCC)	-	-	-	-	-						WCh bronze (4 GP, 2+4=6)
15/16	Luleå HF, SWE	36	37	42	79	26	7	4	4	8	4	WCh 4th (6 GP, 4+1=5)
16/17	Luleå HF, SWE	31	30	40	70	20	4	4	2	6	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+4=5)
17/18*	Luleå HF, SWE	28	23	31	54	18						
												National team: 218 games, 108+117=225 points



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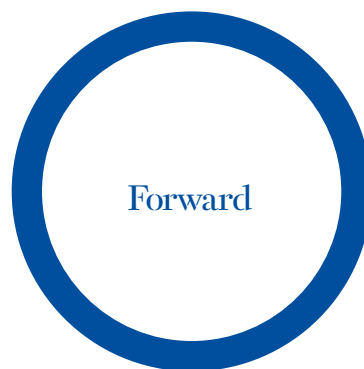


Petra Nieminen



*May 4, 1999 Tampere
169 cm, 64 kg
TEAM: Team Kuortane

Petra Nieminen is the youngest player in the Finnish women's hockey team in Pyeongchang. She made her debut at senior World Championships at the age of 16. One year later she scored three significant goals at the 2017 tournament in Plymouth, USA: one in Finland's victory against Canada in the group stage and two in the rout over Germany in the bronze medal game. After the Olympic tournament she intends to concentrate on her graduation exams.



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18	PETRANIEMINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
14/15	Tappara, FIN-2	1	2	0	2	0						U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 2+3=5)
15/16	Team Kuortane, FIN	25	15	8	23	14	2	1	0	1	0	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+2=3)
												U18 WCh 6th (5 GP, 4+2=6)
16/17	Team Kuortane, FIN	23	15	13	28	16	2	2	1	3	0	WCh bronze (6 GP, 3+0=3)
												U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 2+3=5)
17/18*	Team Kuortane, FIN	19	12	15	27	8						
												National team: 49 games, 17+17=34 points



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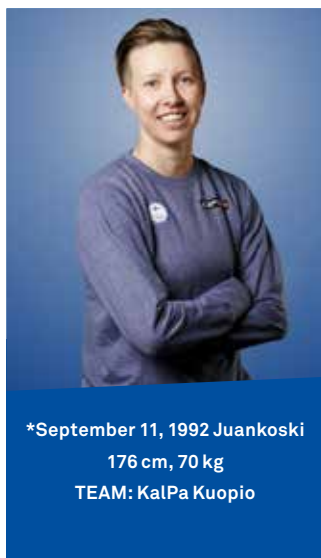


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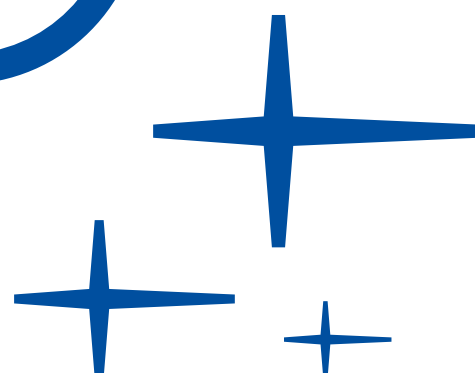
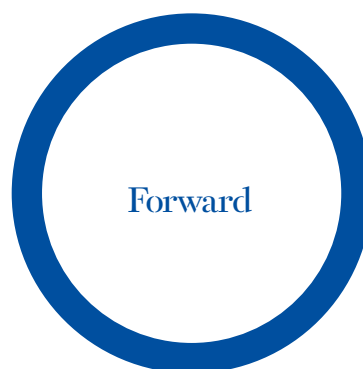
Tanja Niskanen



*September 11, 1992 Juankoski
176 cm, 70 kg
TEAM: KalPa Kuopio

Tanja Niskanen was selected best forward of the Finnish league season 2015/16 after scoring the championship-winning goal for JYP in the final series. That earned her a call to the national team for the World Championships after a pause of five years. In 2017 Niskanen won the second of her two bronze medals with the national team.

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61	TANJANISKANEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
08/09	APV Alavus, FIN-2	11	26	3	29	8						U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 0+1=1)
09/10	-											U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 3+2=5)
10/11	KalPa, FIN	26	17	10	27	22	3	2	1	3	0	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+3=4)
11/12	KalPa, FIN	29	33	23	56	12	4	4	2	6	20	
12/13	KalPa, FIN	27	24	18	42	20						
13/14	KalPa, FIN	28	18	21	39	36	3	1	0	1	2	
14/15	KalPa, FIN	7	8	2	10	12						
	Lapinlahden Luistin -89, FIN-2	4	13	5	18	6						
15/16	JYP, FIN	25	28	24	52	39	6	6	1	7	2	WCh 4th (6 GP, 3+2=5)
16/17	KalPa, FIN	22	15	21	36	6	9	5	7	12	6	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+2=2)
17/18*	KalPa, FIN	20	13	19	32	35						
												National team: 116 games, 16+20=36 points



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Emma Nuutinen



*December 7, 1996 Helsinki

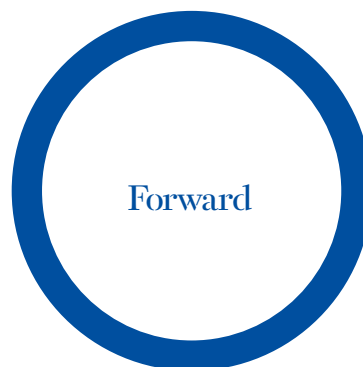
176 cm, 74 kg

TEAM: Mercyhurst University (NCAA)

Emma Nuutinen was selected All-Star forward at the World U18 Championships and best player of the Finnish championship playoffs in 2013. She made her Olympic debut in Sochi at the age of 17 and has been a regular fixture in the Finnish national team ever since, except for the 2016 World Championships, which she missed due to injury. Nuutinen was a national team player in football as well in her junior years: she scored three goals for Finland at European U17 Championship qualifiers in 2012.

Instagram: @nuutinenn

Twitter: @nuutinenn



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22	EMMANUUTINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
11/12	Espoo Blues, FIN	9	3	4	7	2	9	9	2	11	8	U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 1+1=2)
12/13	Espoo Blues, FIN	20	14	11	25	6	9	4	7	11	6	U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 5+3=8)
13/14	Espoo Blues, FIN	25	24	30	54	8	8	4	3	7	4	OG 5th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
												U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 3+4=7)
14/15	Espoo Blues, FIN	12	9	16	25	8	6	5	4	9	0	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+1=1)
15/16	Espoo Blues, FIN	20	28	26	54	18	6	2	6	8	2	
16/17	University of North Dakota, NCAA	34	10	9	19	4						WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
17/18*	Mercyhurst University, NCAA	20	5	3	8	10						
												National team: 74 games, 9+13=22 points



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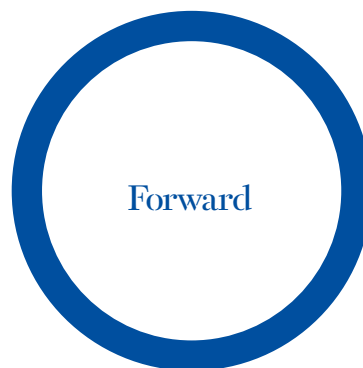
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Annina Rajahuhta



* March 8, 1989 Helsinki
165 cm, 72 kg
TEAM: Kunlun Red Star
(China/Canadian
Women's Hockey League)

Pyeongchang marks Annina Rajahuhta's return to major tournaments after a four-year absence. After winning five Finnish championships with three different teams she made a complete change of scenery in 2017 and joined goaltender Noora Rätty at the Chinese team Kunlun Red Star. The team plays in the Canadian Women's Hockey League where Rajahuhta had a brief spell before with Burlington Barracudas in the 2011/12 season. Rajahuhta has also played for Finland at the World Championships of inline roller hockey together with her team-mates Minnamari Tuominen and Susanna Tapani.



Instagram: @rajahuhta
Twitter: AnninaRajahuhta

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11	ANNINARAJAHUHTA	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
05/06	IHK, FIN	21	7	8	15	8	4	3	1	4	2	
06/07	IHK, FIN	20	4	6	10	10	4	2	1	3	0	
07/08	Salo HT, FIN-2	20	22	19	41	8						
08/09	Espoo Blues, FIN	23	16	23	39	10	6	3	2	5	8	
09/10	Ilves, FIN	18	15	20	35	18	7	1	3	4	6	OG bronze (5 GP, 0+0=0)
10/11	HPK, FIN	23	17	20	37	12	6	8	2	10	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 2+1=3)
11/12	Burlington Barracudas, CWHL	8	3	1	4	2						WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
	HPK, FIN	11	4	10	14	4	8	4	2	6	6	
12/13	Espoo Blues, FIN	28	25	29	54	18	9	2	3	5	14	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
13/14	Espoo Blues, FIN	25	23	43	66	20	8	5	6	11	14	OG 5th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
14/15	Espoo Blues, FIN	15	9	14	23	26	6	5	8	13	2	
15/16	Espoo Blues, FIN	22	23	28	51	14	6	5	5	10	8	
16/17	Espoo United, FIN	27	18	26	44	38	10	7	6	13	6	
17/18*	Espoo Blues, FIN	8	8	4	12	10						
	Kunlun Red Star, CWHL	10	3	6	9	10						
												National team: 130 games, 18+18=36 points



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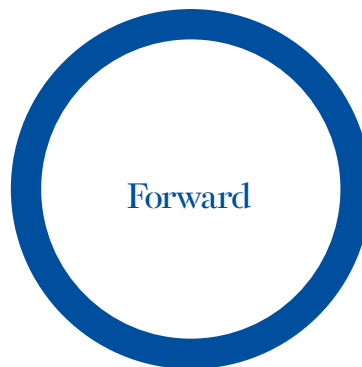


Saila Saari



*November 1, 1989 Alavus
170 cm, 60 kg
TEAM: Kärpät Oulu

Saila Saari has been a prolific goalscorer in Finnish hockey rinks for several years. She finished second in points in the Finnish league in 2015 and played at the World Championships for the first time that spring, winning bronze. That was not her first international medal: she had already taken bronze at the Winter Universiade of 2009. Saari has been selected All Star forward in the Finnish league in 2015 and 2017.



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27	SAILA SAARI	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
02/03	APV Alavus, FIN-2	-	-	-	-	-						
03/04	APV Alavus, FIN-2	-	-	-	-	-						
04/05	APV Alavus, FIN-2	14	5	10	15	12						
05/06	APV Alavus, FIN-2	14	5	10	15	22						
06/07	APV Alavus, FIN-2	14	12	10	22	16						
07/08	APV Alavus, FIN-2	21	17	12	29	26						
08/09	Jyväskylä Cats, FIN	24	8	3	11	22						
09/10	JYP, FIN	14	4	4	8	16						
10/11	JYP, FIN	26	9	18	27	16	3	0	0	0	0	
11/12	JYP, FIN	31	23	21	44	8	4	1	1	2	6	
12/13	JYP, FIN	28	15	24	39	2	8	5	0	5	0	
13/14	JYP, FIN	28	20	32	52	10	8	4	2	6	2	
14/15	JYP, FIN	28	24	37	61	12	7	6	3	9	0	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+0=0)
15/16	JYP, FIN	28	19	15	34	8	6	3	2	5	4	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+2=3)
16/17	Kärpät, FIN	28	12	27	39	8	8	3	6	9	0	
17/18*	Kärpät, FIN	22	14	20	34	4						
												National team: 104 games, 14+12=26 points



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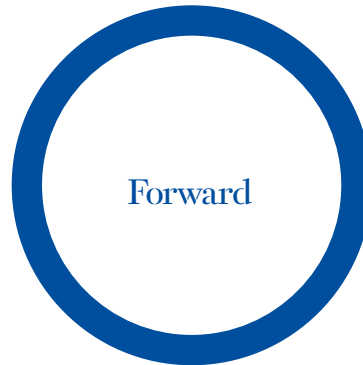
Sara Säkkinen



*April 7, 1998 Tampere
162 cm, 61 kg
TEAM: Team Kuortane

Sara Säkkinen plays in the Finnish league in a young players' development team supported by the Finnish Hockey Association. She made her debut in the national team at the World Championships in 2016. One year later Säkkinen scored the opening goal in Finland's quarter-final victory over Sweden at the World Championship tournament in Plymouth, USA.

📧sarasakkinen



* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

26	SARA SÄKKINEN	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
13/14	Ilves, FIN	16	5	4	9	6	5	0	2	2	2	U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 1+1=2).
14/15	Team Kuortane, FIN	28	4	6	10	20						U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 0+1=1).
15/16	Team Kuortane, FIN	24	5	14	19	35	2	0	0	0	0	WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
												U18 WCh 6th (5 GP, 0+4=4)
16/17	Team Kuortane, FIN	15	3	8	11	6	2	0	2	2	2	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+1=2)
17/18*	Team Kuortane, FIN	19	7	11	18	14						
												National team: 45 games, 2+5=7 points



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Susanna Tapani

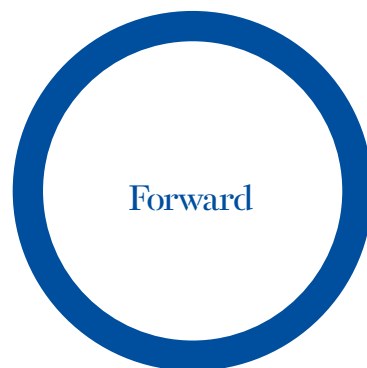


*March 2, 1993 Laitila
177 cm, 65 kg
TEAM: Lukko, Rauma

Susanna Tapani led Finland to bronze at the U18 World Championships of 2011 and played at her first senior tournament in the same year. She has been a regular fixture in the national team ever since. In 2017 Tapani was the leading scorer in Finland's bronze medal team at the World Championships in Plymouth, USA. Her hockey statistics would be even more impressive if she did not give half her time and attention to another winter team sport.

Tapani is one of the best ringette players in the world: she won her third World Championship title in that game in December 2017 after scoring two goals in the finals against Canada.

Instagram: [susannatapani](#)
Twitter: [SusannaTapani](#)



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* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

77	SUSANNA TAPANI	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
08/09												U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 3+0=3)
09/10	Junior men's teams											U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 2+1=3)
10/11	Junior men's teams											WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+2=3)
												U18 WCh bronze (6 GP, 4+2=6)
11/12	HPK, FIN	4	2	2	4	6	4	2	1	3	0	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
12/13	Espoo Blues, FIN	3	0	2	2	2	5	2	1	3	2	WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+0=0)
13/14	University of North Dakota, NCAA	24	8	12	20	12						OG 5th (6 GP, 1+4=5)
14/15	HPK, FIN	8	6	4	10	10	6	7	14	21	2	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+2=3)
15/16	HPK, FIN	5	4	3	7	0	8	4	4	8	2	
16/17	Lukko, FIN	10	5	4	9	2						WCh bronze (6 GP, 3+6=9)
17/18*	Lukko, FIN	7	5	4	9	6						
												National team: 146 games, 58+52=110 points



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Ice Hockey, Women

Noora Tulus



*August 15, 1995 Vantaa
165 cm, 68 kg
TEAM: Luleå HF (Sweden)

Noora Tulus has won two Finnish championship titles with Espoo Blues and one Swedish one with her present team Luleå HF. Like many of her team-mates in the Lionesses Tulus used to play other sports with success in her junior years: she has won two World Championship bronze medals in bandy.

🐦 Tulusnoora

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* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

24	NOORA TULUS	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
10/11												U18 WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+0=1)
11/12	KJT, FIN-2	4	7	4	11	2						U18 WCh 5th (5 GP, 1+1=2)
12/13	KJT, FIN-2	11	21	19	40	2						
13/14	KJT, FIN	13	7	8	15	6						
	Espoo Blues, FIN	11	12	13	25	6	8	1	2	3	0	
14/15	Espoo Blues, FIN	25	18	20	38	8	6	1	2	3	4	WCh bronze (5 GP, 0+0=0)
15/16	Espoo Blues, FIN	24	22	31	53	6						WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+0=1)
	Luleå HF, SWE	5	5	3	8	2	7	4	2	6	0	
16/17	Luleå HF, SWE	29	9	18	27	8	4	0	0	0	0	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+1=2)
17/18*	Luleå HF, SWE	26	9	11	20	4						
												National team: 77 games, 14+19=33 points



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Riikka Välilä

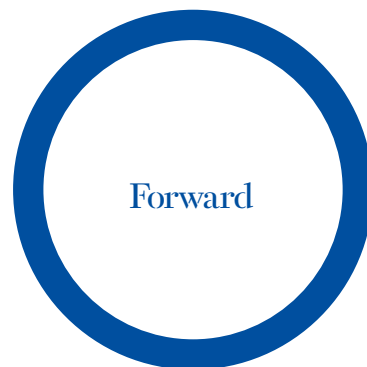


*June 12, 1973 Jyväskylä
163 cm, 60 kg
TEAM: HV71 (Sweden)

Riikka Välilä (née Nieminen) is a legendary name in women's hockey history. She dominated the European scene in the 1990's, leading the Finnish national team to three European Championship titles, four World Championship bronze medals and Olympic bronze in Nagano 1998, where she was leading scorer of the first ever women's Olympic tournament. She was inducted into IIHF Hall of Fame as the fourth female player ever. The MVP award of the Finnish women's hockey league is named after her. After retiring she got married, moved to Sweden, worked as physiotherapist and had three children.

In 2013 Välilä returned to the rink after ten years and went straight back where she left: her second career has already yielded two World Championship bronze medals. In Pyeongchang Välilä will become the oldest ever Finnish female Olympic winter sports athlete and quite possibly the oldest ever Olympic medallist in ice hockey.

🐦 riikkavalila



* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

13	RIIKKA VÄLILÄ	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
88/89	EVU, FIN	6	19	7	26	2						EurCh gold (5 GP, 9+2=11)
89/90	JYP, FIN-2	4	5	3	8	0						WCh bronze (5 GP, 8+2=10)
90/91	-											
91/92	JYP, FIN-2	10	41	3	44	2						WCh bronze (5 GP, 6+2=8)
92/93	Lyss, SUI	-	-	-	-	-						EurCh gold (3 GP, 2+2=4)
93/94	Kerava Shakers, FIN	21	73	56	129	8	5	11	11	22	4	WCh bronze (5 GP, 4+9=13)
94/95	JYP, FIN-2	8	35	13	48	25						EurCh gold (5 GP, 9+14=23)
95/96	KalPa, FIN	10	10	8	18	0						
96/97	JYP HT, FIN	24	26	38	64	0	6	3	5	8	4	WCh bronze (5 GP, 5+5=10)
97/98	JYP, FIN	12	13	8	21	2	6	2	8	10	0	OG bronze (6 GP, 7+5=12)
98/99	-											
99/00	JYP, FIN	2	1	0	1	0						
00/01	Jyväskylä Cats, FIN	9	10	9	19	6						
01/02	Jyväskylä Cats, FIN	13	10	12	22	2	2	1	1	2	2	OG 4th (5 GP, 0+3=3)
02/03	Limhamn HK, SWE-2						3	3	3	6	0	
03/04	Did not play											
04/05	Did not play											
05/06	Did not play											
06/07	Did not play											
07/08	Did not play											
08/09	Did not play											
09/10	Did not play											
10/11	Did not play											
11/12	Did not play											
12/13	Did not play											
13/14	JYP, FIN	13	7	12	19	18	8	5	11	16	12	OG 5th (6 GP, 1+4=5)
14/15	JYP, FIN	14	12	25	37	8	7	5	7	12	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 0+6=6)
15/16	JYP, FIN	11	20	19	39	6	6	5	5	10	2	WCh 4th (6 GP, 1+5=6)
16/17	HV71, SWE	23	10	11	21	12	6	3	3	6	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+2=3)
17/18*	HV71, SWE	31	12	28	40	18						
												National team: 222 games, 131+164=295 points

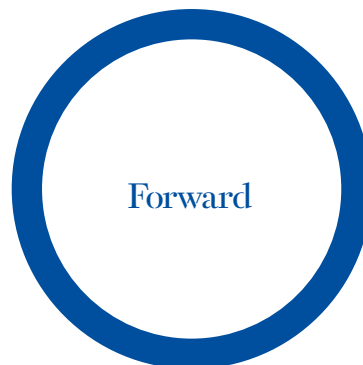
Ice Hockey, Women

Linda Välimäki



*May 31, 1990 Ylöjärvi
166 cm, 69 kg
TEAM: Ilves, Tampere

Linda Välimäki will soon become the all-time scoring leader in the Finnish women's hockey league. That would have already happened if she had not missed one season when she gave birth to her daughter. She has won five championship titles and four best forward's prizes in a career spanning 16 years. Currently she is leading the league again in both goals and assists. In the national team Välimäki has won one bronze at the Olympic Games and two at World Championships. She has previously worked at a kindergarten but is able to concentrate full-time on hockey during her third Olympic season.



📧 lindavlimki
🐦 VlimkiLinda

* Statistics updated: 29 January 2018

10	LINDA VÄLIMÄKI	REGULAR SEASON					PLAYOFFS					NATIONAL TEAM
		GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	
02/03	Ylöjärven Ilves, FIN	14	4	4	8	2						
03/04	Ylöjärven Ilves, FIN	13	0	3	3	8						
04/05	-											
05/06	Ilves, FIN	22	5	6	11	4	7	2	2	4	4	
06/07	Ilves, FIN	21	13	7	20	10	6	1	2	3	2	
07/08	Ilves, FIN	18	27	20	47	8	8	3	3	6	2	U18 WCh 6th (5 GP, 5+2=7)
08/09	Ilves, FIN	24	29	18	47	14	7	3	4	7	6	
09/10	Ilves, FIN	19	42	35	77	20	11	6	13	19	6	OG bronze (5 GP, 0+2=2)
10/11	Espoo Blues, FIN	11	19	9	28	8						
11/12	Espoo Blues, FIN	1	0	1	1	0						
12/13	Espoo Blues, FIN	27	35	30	65	16	9	6	4	10	14	WCh 4th (6 GP, 0+2=2)
13/14	Espoo Blues, FIN	28	32	39	71	8	8	8	10	18	4	OG 5th (6 GP, 1+2=3)
14/15	Espoo Blues, FIN	28	28	37	65	20	6	6	6	12	4	WCh bronze (4 GP, 2+0=2)
15/16	Espoo Blues, FIN	28	31	39	70	16	6	5	5	10	0	
16/17	Espoo United, FIN	28	29	31	60	16	10	9	8	17	4	WCh bronze (6 GP, 1+2=3)
17/18*	Ilves, FIN	22	26	25	51	8						
												National team: 150 games, 37+42=79 points



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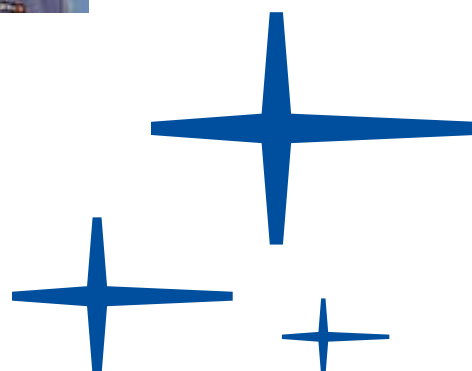
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Nordic Combined

Heikki Hasu of Finland became the first ever non-Norwegian Olympic champion in Nordic combined in St. Moritz 1948. With 14 medals in all, Finland currently holds third place in Olympic statistics of the discipline. At the Salt Lake Games in 2002 Finnish athletes swept the board in Nordic combined: Samppa Lajunen won gold in both two individual events and led Finland to victory in the team competition as well. Four years later at the Turin Games Finland took bronze in the team event. In Vancouver 2010 Hannu Manninen was fourth in the large hill competition, but in Sochi 2014 the best individual result was Ilkka Herola's 14th place in the same event.

Ilkka Herola



*June 22, 1995 Siilinjärvi
178 cm, 63 kg
CLUB: Puijon Hiihtoseura
COACH: Antti Kuisma

Ilkka Herola has carried the torch of Finnish Nordic combined over a couple of dark years. He has competed in the elite group of the World Cup circuit for the past five seasons with two third-place finishes as his best results; the second came in Chaux-Neuve in January 2018. Herola finished seventh in the final classification of the World Cup last season. At the World Championships his best individual result has been twelfth place in normal hill competition in Lahti 2017. He enjoys playing the guitar and drums in his free time.

ilkkaherola

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 LHC 14th, NHC 16th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2012 WJCh NHC (5 km) silver.
YOWG silver.

2013 WCh NHC 27th, LHC 22nd,
team 8th, team sprint 11th.

2014 WJCh NHC (10 km) silver.

2015 WCh NHC 23rd, LHC 16th,
team 9th, team sprint 4th.

2017 WCh NHC 12th, LHC 17th,
team 5th, team sprint 7th.

Eero Hirvonen



*January 30, 1996 Laukaa
181 cm, 66 kg
CLUB: Jyväskylän Hiihtoseura
COACH: Petter Kukkonen

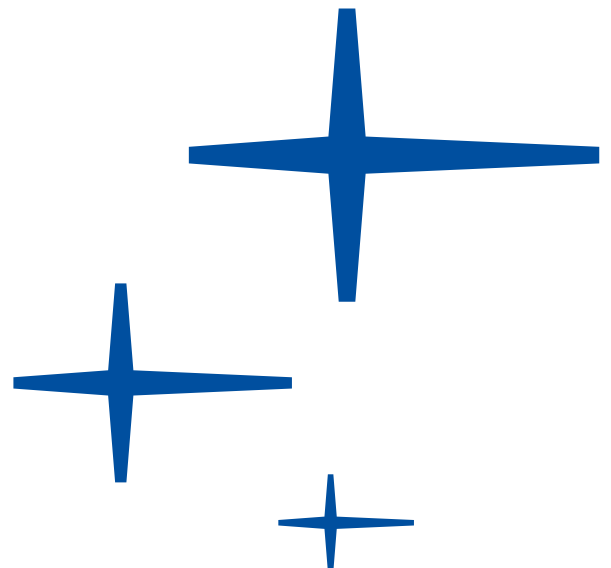
Eero Hirvonen has made a spectacular rise to the world elite in Nordic combined in the past 15 months. He finished second at a World Cup competition in Lahti in January 2017, and this Olympic season has already seen him gather three more podium places. At the 2017 World Championships in Lahti Hirvonen's best individual result was ninth place in the normal hill competition, mark that he certainly aims to improve in his Olympic debut in Pyeongchang. His favourite pursuits are hunting and fishing.

eehirvonen

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2016 WJCh team bronze.

2017 WCh NHC 9th, LHC 21st,
team 5th, team sprint 7th.



Hannu Manninen



*April 17, 1978 Rovaniemen mlk
189 cm, 83 kg
CLUB: Ounasvaaran Hiihtoseura

Hannu Manninen made history for the first time in Lillehammer 1994: at 15 he became the youngest ever Finnish Olympic athlete, record that still holds for Winter Games. Manninen went on to become the best Nordic combined athlete of his time: he won four World Cup titles and a record of 48 World Cup victories. Success at major championships kept eluding him, however: his only individual gold medal came in the sprint competition at the 2007 World Championships in Sapporo. At his five Olympic Games he has won three medals, all in team competitions. Manninen finished his career in 2008 and for a second time in 2011. He worked as aeroplane pilot and raised a family of three children. In 2016 Manninen decided to make one more comeback for the World Championships in Lahti and his sixth Olympic Games in Pyeongchang.

Instagram: hannumanninen
Twitter: HanSkiManninen

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

1994 38th.
1998 11th, team silver.
2002 NC 14th, SC 7th, team gold.
2006 NC 9th, SC 12th, team bronze.
2010 NHC 13th, LHC 4th, team 7th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

1994 WJCh joukkue silver.
1995 WCh 24th, team 9th, WJCh gold.
1996 WJCh team silver.
1997 WCh 6th, team silver.
1998 WJCh gold, team gold.
1999 WCh SC 4th, team gold.
2001 WCh NC 4th, SC 6th, team bronze.
2003 WCh NC 11th, SC 27th, team bronze.
2005 WCh NC 9th, SC 8th, team 4th.
2007 WCh NC 6th, SC gold, team gold.
2011 WCh NHC 21st, LHC 16th, team/normal hill 7th.
2017 WCh LHC 24th, team 5th.

WORLD CUP: 48 wins.

Overall champion in 2003/04, 2004/05, 2005/06 and 2006/07.

Leevi Mutru



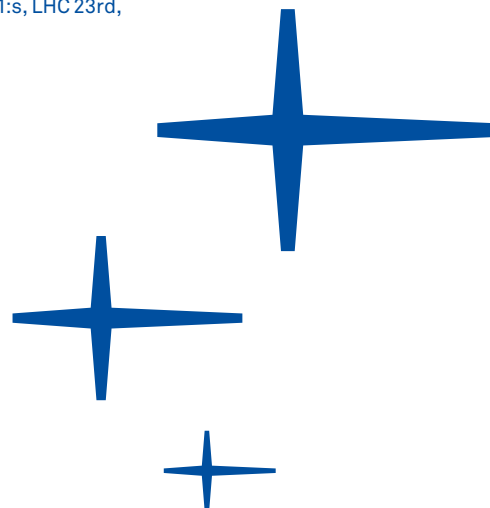
*May 16, 1995 Asikkala
188 cm, 71 kg
CLUB: Lahden Hiihtoseura
COACH: Kari Jääskeläinen

Leevi Mutru made his debut in the Finnish Nordic combined team in the 2014/15 season. His best individual result so far is tenth place in a World Cup competition in Lahti in January 2017. Mutru has often given solid performances in team competitions, notably at his home World Championships in Lahti 2017 and in Chaux-Neuve in January 2018, when Finland took its first World Cup podium place in eleven years.

Instagram: leevimutruofficial

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2015 WCh NHC 32nd, LHC 35th, team 9th.
2017 WCh NHC 31st, LHC 23rd, team 5th.



Nordic Combined

Arttu Mäkiaho



*September 16, 1997 Kajaani
183 cm, 71 kg
CLUB: Kainuun Hiihtoseura
COACH: Topi Sarparanta

Arttu Mäkiaho is the next big promise in Finnish Nordic combined. He took gold and silver at the World Junior Championships of 2017 in Soldier Hollow, where Samppa Lajunen won three Olympic gold medals in Nordic combined back in 2002. Mäkiaho had a remarkable start for the Olympic season, finishing tenth in the World Cup competition in Ruka in November 2017. In January 2018 he skied the second leg when Finland finished third in the World Cup team event in Chaux-Neuve.

maekiaho

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2017 WCh NHC 38th. WJCh 10 km gold, 5 km silver.

Team Management



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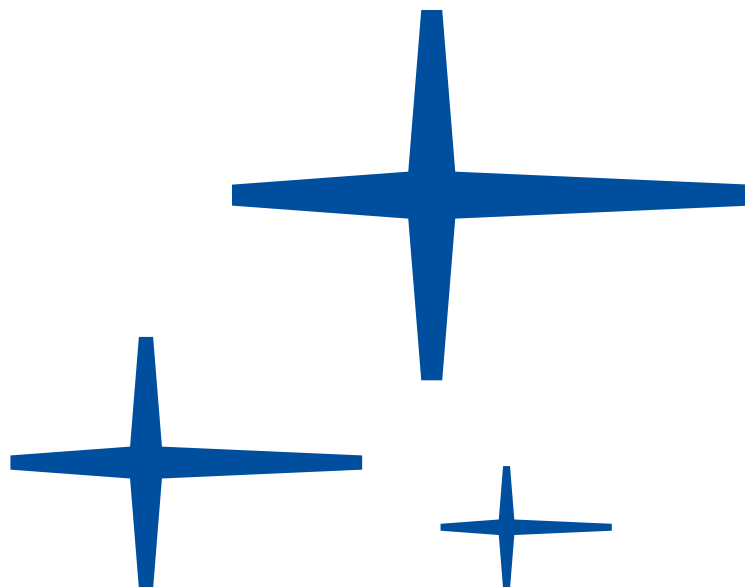
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Ski Jumping

Finland has won ten Olympic gold medals in ski jumping and still holds the first place in the all-time medal table of the sport. The first Finnish Olympic champion was Antti Hyvärinen in Cortina d'Ampezzo 1956, and the latest has been Jani Soininen who won the normal hill competition in Nagano 1998. The most successful ski jumper in Olympic history has been Finland's Matti Nykänen who took gold and silver in Sarajevo 1984 and all three gold medals in Calgary 1988. Finland won two silver medals in Turin 2006, and Janne Ahonen finished fourth in normal hill in Vancouver 2010. In Sochi 2014 the best result of Finnish ski jumpers was Anssi Koivuranta's eleventh place in large hill.

Antti Aalto



*April 2, 1995 Kitee
185 cm, 65 kg
CLUB: Kiteen Urheilijat
COACH: Kari Pätäri

Antti Aalto made a breakthrough into the Finnish ski jumping team in the 2016/17 season: he debuted at the Four Hills Tournament and made headlines by producing the best jump of the qualifying competition for the large hill event at the World Championships in Lahti. He was the best Finnish jumper at the Four Hills Tournament this season. Aalto lives and trains at Vuokatti.

📧aaltoantt1

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2017 WCh NH 38th, LH 31st, team 6th.

2018 WCh ski flying 32nd, team 8th.

Janne Ahonen



*May 11, 1977 Lahti
184 cm, 66 kg
CLUB: Lahden Hiihtoseura

Janne Ahonen goes to his seventh Olympic Games, setting a record for Finnish athletes in any sport, summer or winter. On his six previous occasions he has gained two team silver medals and three individual fourth-place finishes. Except for Olympic success Ahonen has achieved almost everything else in the sport of ski jumping: he has won 17 World Championship medals, two World Cup titles and record five overall victories in the Four Hills Tournament. He has retired from ski jumping twice (2008 and 2011) and has come back as many times. Ahonen has also entered sports manufacturing business: he sews and sells ski jumping suits. His summer sport is drag racing.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

1994 NH 37th, LH 25th, team 5th.

1998 NH 4th, LH 37th, team 5th.

2002 NH 4th, LH 9th, team silver.

2006 NH 6th, LH 9th, team silver.

2010 NH 4th, LH 31st.

2014 NH 29th, LH 22nd, team 8th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

1993 WCh LH 31st, team 6th.
WJCh gold, team gold.

1994 WCh ski flying 12th. WJCh gold, team gold.

1995 WCh NH 9th, LH 9th, team gold.

1996 WCh ski flying silver.

1997 WCh NH gold, LH 8th, team gold.

1998 WCh ski flying 8th.

1999 WCh NH 4th, LH 4th, team 4th.

2000 WCh ski flying bronze.

2001 WCh NH 6th, LH bronze, team (NH) silver, team (LH) silver.

2002 WCh ski flying 24th.

2003 WCh LH 35th, team gold.

2004 WCh ski flying silver, ski flying team silver.

2005 WCh NH bronze, LH gold, team (NH) 4th, team (LH) silver.

2006 WCh ski flying 8th, ski flying team silver.

2007 WCh NH 14th, LH 6th, team 4th.

2008 WCh ski flying bronze, ski flying team silver.

2010 WCh ski flying 27th.

2011 WCh NH 20th, LH 30th, team (NH) 8th, team (LH) 7th.

2015 WCh NH 15th, LH 19th, team 9th, mixed team 10th.

2017 WCh NH 25th, LH 23rd, team 6th, mixed team 11th.

2018 WCh ski flying 22nd, team 8th.

WORLD CUP: 36 wins.

Overall champion in 2003/04 and 2004/05.

FOUR HILLS TOURNAMENT:

5 championships (1998/99, 2002/03, 2004/05, 2005/06, 2007/08).

Andreas Alamommo



*December 23, 1998
Rovaniemen mlk

180 cm, 62 kg

CLUB: Ounasvaaran Hiihtoseura

COACH: Marko Haarala.

Andreas Alamommo goes to his first Olympic Games perhaps sooner than expected: his main focus for the season was on the World Junior Championships in January. Alamommo made his debut at the World Cup circuit in December 2017. He placed eleventh in a summer Grand Prix competition in Chaikovsky, Russia, in September.

📷andreasalamommo

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2015 EYOF 6th, team silver.

2016 Youth OG 6th.

Jarkko Määttä



*December 28, 1994 Iisalmi
170 cm, 57 kg

CLUB: Kainuun Hiihtoseura

COACH: Kari Pätäri

Jarkko Määttä won gold at the European Youth Olympic Festival in Liberec in 2011. Two results stand out in his ski jumping career in senior ranks: he finished ninth in Innsbruck at his debut Four Hills Tournament in 2014 and eighth in the World Cup large hill competition in Lahti 2015. In November 2017 Määttä won the Finnish championship title in normal hill.

📷jarkkomaattasj

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 NH 33rd, LH 43rd, team 8th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2011 EYOF gold, team silver.

2015 WCh NH 34th, LH 22nd,
team 9th, mixed team 10th.

2017 WCh NH 35th, LH 27th,
team 6th.

2018 WCh ski flying team 8th.



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Ski Jumping

Eetu Nousiainen



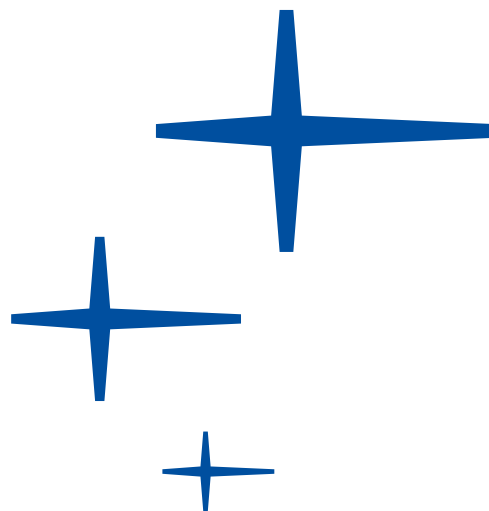
*April 29, 1997 Kuopio
186 cm, 62 kg
CLUB: Puijon Hiihtoseura
COACH: Lauri Hakola

Eetu Nousiainen is the most recent arrival in the Finnish ski jumping team. He gained his first World Cup points in December 2017 in Titisee-Neustadt and has since debuted at the Four Hills Tournament and at the World Ski Flying Championships in January.

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ACHIEVEMENTS:

2018 WCh ski flying 35th,
team 8th.



Julia Kykkänen



*April 17, 1994 Lahti
168 cm, 55 kg
CLUB: KL Ski Jumping Team
COACH: Kimmo Kykkänen

Julia Kykkänen has represented Finland at every World Championship competition in women's ski jumping since the first one in Liberec 2009 with tenth place in Val di Fiemme 2013 as her best result. In World Cup competitions Kykkänen has gained two third places, both in 2014 when she finished ninth in final classification. She took a good start for the Olympic season with seventh place in the points table of the 2017 summer Grand Prix tour. Julia has been coached all through her career by her father Kimmo Kykkänen.

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2014 17th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2009 WCh 26th.

2011 WCh 17th.

2013 WCh 10th.

2015 WCh 23rd, mixed team 10th.

2017 WCh 19th, mixed team 11th.



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Snowboarding

Finland has won three Olympic medals in snowboard: Markku Koski took bronze in men's halfpipe in Turin 2006, and in Vancouver 2010 Peetu Piironen won silver in the same event. Enni Rukajärvi took silver in women's slopestyle in Sochi 2014. Finnish snowboarders have been very successful at World Championships over the years, particularly in big air which will make its Olympic debut in Pyeongchang.

Kalle Järvillehto



*July 21, 1995 Kirkkonummi
181 cm, 75 kg

Kalle Järvillehto has emerged as one of the most talented young snowboarders in Finland in recent years. He finished sixth in big air at the WSF World Championships in Yabuli, China in 2016 and fifth at the FIS championships in Sierra Nevada in the following year. The Olympic season has seen him finish third in the FIS World Cup big air competition in Mönchengladbach. Järvillehto is currently the highest placed Finnish male rider in the WSF points lists: he holds ninth place in big air.

📧 kallejarvillehto

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2012 Youth OG slopestyle 11th, halfpipe 16th.

2016 WCh (WSF) big air 6th, halfpipe 25th.

2017 WCh (FIS) big air 5th, slopestyle 18th.

EVENT:
Slopestyle,
Big Air

Janne Korpi



*February 5, 1986 Vihti
180 cm, 74 kg

Janne Korpi will become the first Finnish snowboarder to participate at four Olympic Games. He has won two bronze medals at FIS World Championships and a World Cup title in each three Olympic events. His best result in the ongoing season has been eleventh place in a FIS World Cup halfpipe event in the venue of the 2022 Beijing Olympic Winter Games. In those Games Korpi will not compete: he plans to retire from snowboarding after this Olympic season and concentrate on harness racing, which is his other sport and family business.

📧 jannekorpi
🐦 janne_korpi

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2006 halfpipe 20th.

2010 halfpipe 24th.

2014 halfpipe 35th, slopestyle 18th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2005 WJCh (FIS) halfpipe gold.

2007 WCh (FIS) halfpipe 4th, big air bronze.

2013 WCh (FIS) halfpipe 11th, slopestyle bronze.

2015 WCh (FIS) halfpipe 16th, slopestyle 25th, big air 13th.

2016 WCh (WSF) slopestyle 34th, big air 33rd.

2017 WCh (FIS) halfpipe 22nd.

FIS WORLD CUP: 11 wins (6 halfpipe, 5 big air). Champion in halfpipe and big air in 2011/12, in slopestyle 2014/15.

EVENT:
Halfpipe



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Anton Lindfors



*April 22, 1991 Borgå Ik
178 cm, 77 kg

Anton Lindfors has competed in the FIS World Cup circuit in snowboard cross since the year 2010. He has qualified for the final race in three World Cup competitions, with second place in Veysonnaz in 2014 as his best result. In 2013 he finished tenth at the World Championships in Stoneham, Canada. As Finland does not have a snowboard cross team, Lindfors has trained with the Swiss national team. A shoulder operation in the summer delayed his start to this Olympic season.

anton.lindfors

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2014 13th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2011 WCh 21st. WJCh 9th.
2013 WCh 10th.
2015 WCh 16th.
2017 WCh 23rd.

EVENT:
Snowboard Cross

Markus Malin



*May 28, 1987 Lahti
176 cm, 70 kg

Markus Malin has been snowboarding for more than half of his life: he took part in his first World Junior Championships at the age of 14. His best results have been third place in superpipe at the X Games in Aspen in 2013 and bronze medals at FIS World Championships in La Molina 2011 and Stoneham 2013. This season Malin has finished eleventh at the Dew Tour in Breckenridge and fourteenth at Laax Open in Switzerland. When not snowboarding, he likes to relax by doing other sports or playing the guitar.

markusmalin
MarkusMalin

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2010 11th.
2014 26th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2004 WJCh (FIS) gold.
2006 WJCh (FIS) silver.
2007 WCh (FIS) 22nd.
2009 WCh (FIS) 34th.
2011 WCh (FIS) bronze.
2012 WCh (WSF) 9th.
2013 WCh (FIS) bronze.
2015 WCh (FIS) 11th.
2017 WCh (FIS) 6th.

Winter X Games (Aspen):
2013 superpipe bronze.

FIS World Cup: 1 win (halfpipe).

EVENT:
Halfpipe



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Peetu Piironen



*February 15, 1988 Hyvinkää
166 cm, 69 kg

Peetu Piironen became an instant celebrity in Finland in 2010: his silver medal in halfpipe was the best Finnish result in any sport at the Vancouver Olympic Games. Other items on his snowboarding resume are also impressive: four championships of the TTR Tour, five wins in the FIS World Cup and gold in big air at the WSF World Championships of 2016. In the current season Piironen has competed mostly in halfpipe, finishing sixth in the FIS World Cup event in China and seventh at Laax Open. Peetu's younger brother Petja Piironen won the FIS world title in big air in 2011.

📧 peetupiironen

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2010 halfpipe silver.

2014 slopestyle 7th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2005 EYOF halfpipe gold.

2006 WJCh (FIS) halfpipe bronze.

2007 WCh (FIS) halfpipe 37th, big air 6th.

2012 WCh (WSF) halfpipe 10th.

2013 WCh (FIS) halfpipe 8th, slopestyle 23rd.

2016 WCh (WSF) slopestyle 16th, big air gold.

Winter X Games (Aspen): 2012 slopestyle bronze.

TTR Tour champion in 2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11 and 2012/13.

FIS World Cup: 5 wins (1 halfpipe, 4 big air). Big air champion in 2006/07.

EVENT:
Halfpipe,
Slopestyle,
Big Air

Rene Rinnekangas



*September 25, 1999 Iisalmi
169 cm, 59 kg

Rene Rinnekangas is the youngest member of the Finnish snowboard team in Pyeongchang. He already has an Olympic medal of sorts: he finished third in slopestyle at the Youth Olympic Games of 2016 in Lillehammer. Rinnekangas secured a place at his first real Games by finishing fourth in slopestyle in the US Grand Prix in Snowmass, Colorado in January 2018.

📧 renerinnekangas

ACHIEVEMENTS:

2014 WJCh (FIS) slopestyle 5th, halfpipe 9th.

2016 Youth OG slopestyle bronze, halfpipe 8th.

2017 WCh (FIS) slopestyle 14th, big air 54th.

EVENT:
Slopestyle,
Big Air



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Roope Tonteri



*March 18, 1992 Valkeala
169 cm, 67 kg

Gold medals in slopestyle and big air at the FIS World Championships of 2013 in Stoneham, Canada made Roope Tonteri famous outside snowboarding circles in Finland, even if fellow riders value perhaps more his victory in the European Open in Laax in 2011. Tonteri's string of good results has continued over the years: he won another FIS gold medal in big air in 2015 and finished fourth at the World Championships of WSF in 2016 and FIS in 2017. His best result this season has been sixth place in the World Cup big air event in Milan.

Instagram: @roopetonteri
Twitter: RoopeTonteri

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2014 slopestyle 11th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2011 WCh (FIS) big air 9th.

2012 WCh (WSF) slopestyle 8th.

2013 WCh (FIS) slopestyle gold, big air gold.

2015 WCh (FIS) slopestyle silver, big air gold.

2016 WCh (WSF) slopestyle 30th, big air 4th.

2017 WCh (FIS) big air 4th.

FIS World Cup: 1 win (big air).

EVENT:
Slopestyle,
Big Air

Ville Paumola

Non-travelling reserve athlete



*March 16, 1991 Ylöjärvi
172 cm, 68 kg

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2014 slopestyle 27th.

ACHIEVEMENTS:
2010 WJCh (FIS) slopestyle silver, big air bronze.

2011 WCh (FIS) slopestyle bronze, big air 8th.

2012 WCh (WSF) slopestyle 14th.

2015 WCh (FIS) slopestyle 23rd, big air 8th.

2017 WCh (FIS) slopestyle 5th, big air 21st.

Instagram: @villepaumola

EVENT:
Slopestyle,
Big Air



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Snowboarding

Enni Rukajärvi



*May 13, 1990 Kuusamo
165 cm, 56 kg

Enni Rukajärvi has an Olympic slopestyle silver medal to defend in Pyeongchang. Perhaps even better are her prospects in the new Olympic event big air, in which she has won two World Championship silver medals in the past two years, one from both federations. Her most recent medal is slopestyle bronze at the Aspen X Games in January 2018. In 2017 Rukajärvi won the prize for Role Model of the Year at the Finnish sports gala: she has spoken about environmental protection and climate change and has turned down lucrative sponsorship deals for ethical reasons. Rukajärvi carried the Finnish flag at the opening ceremony of the Sochi Games.

Instagram: @ennirukajarvi
Twitter: @ennirukajarvi

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2014 slopestyle silver.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2008 WJCh (FIS) big air bronze.

2010 WJCh (FIS) slopestyle gold, big air gold.

2011 WCh (FIS) slopestyle gold, halfpipe 21st.

2012 WCh (WSF) slopestyle bronze.

2016 WCh (WSF) slopestyle silver, big air silver.

2017 WCh (FIS) big air silver.

Winter X Games (Aspen): 2011 slopestyle gold, 2012 slopestyle silver, 2018 slopestyle bronze.
TTR Tour champion in 2009/10.

FIS World Cup: 3 wins (slopestyle).

EVENT:
Slopestyle,
Big Air

Team Management



Mika Andersson
Team Leader



Antti Koskinen
Head Coach



Anni Halonen
Coach



Joni Vastamäki
Coach



Petteri Kuisma
Service



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Speed Skating

Speed skating was Finland's first success sport at the Olympic Winter Games: Finnish skaters won four out of five gold medals in Chamonix 1924. Finland's Clas Thunberg won a total of five gold, one silver and one bronze medal in 1924 and 1928, which makes him the most successful male speed skater in Olympic history. However, Finnish skaters have won no Olympic medals since Grenoble 1968, when Kaija Mustonen won gold in women's 1500 metres. The latest Finnish men's medal is from even further back: Toivo Salonen took bronze in 1500 metres in Cortina d'Ampezzo 1956.

Pekka Koskela



*November 29, 1982 Mänttä
187 cm, 87 kg
CLUB: Seinäjoen Urheilijat

This season will mark the end of a speed skating career that has taken Pekka Koskela to four World Championship medals, four Olympic Games and fourteen World Cup victories over the course of 18 years. In November 2007 Koskela made a world record in 1000 metres (1:07.00) that stayed in force for more than a year. As a heavy skater Koskela has often had troubles with his skates, and he has been actively involved in technological development of his equipment. After his skating career he intends to work in construction business.

👉 FastJulli

PERSONAL BESTS:
500 m: 34.36 (19 Jan 2013 Calgary)
1000 m: 1:07.00 (10 Nov 2007 Salt Lake City)

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:
2006 500 m 10th, 1000 m 31st.

2010 500 m 33rd.

2014 500 m 17th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:
2000 WJCh 500 m bronze.

2002 WSprintCh 34th.

2003 WCh 500 m 11th, 1000 m 16th. WSprintCh 20th.

2004 WCh 500 m 6th, 1000 m 10th. WSprintCh 12th.

2005 WCh 500 m dnf, 1000 m bronze. WSprintCh 12th.

2006 WSprintCh 7th.

2007 WCh 500 m 8th, 1000 m 6th. WSprintCh silver.

2008 WCh 500 m 24th, 1000 m 11th. WSprintCh dnf.

2009 WCh 500 m dnf, 1000 m 20th. WSprintCh 4th.

2010 WSprintCh dnf.

2011 WCh 500 m dnf. WSprintCh 14th.

2012 WCh 500 m bronze, 1000 m 11th.

2013 WCh 500 m 8th. WSprintCh silver.

2015 WCh 1000 m 17th. WSprintCh dnf.

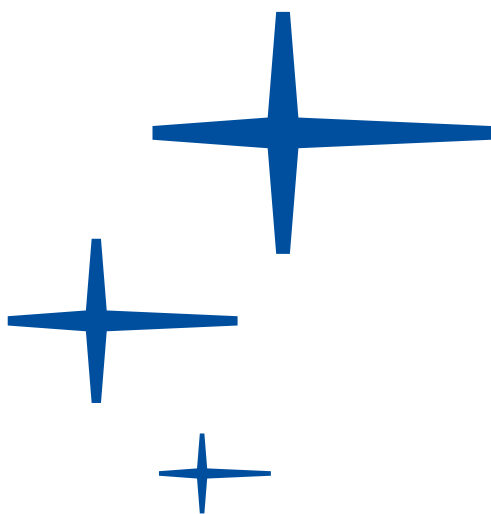
2016 WCh 500 m 17th. WSprintCh 20th.

2017 EurSprintCh 11th.

2018 EurCh 500 m 6th, team sprint silver.

World Cup:
14 wins in Olympic distances (11 in 500 m, 3 in 1000 m).

EVENT:
500 m,
1000 m



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Mika Poutala



*June 20, 1983 Helsinki

177 cm, 80 kg

CLUB:

Helsingin Työväen Luistelijat

COACH: Kevin Crockett

Mika Poutala would be an Olympic champion if present rules had applied in 2010: he was fastest in the first 500-metre race in Vancouver but dropped to fifth place in the second leg, losing the bronze medal by mere 0.034 seconds. Nowadays medals in 500 metres are decided by one race only. That was not the first or last time that Poutala has narrowly missed a medal: he finished fourth in 500 metres at the World Championships of 2009 and 2011, the World Sprint Championships of 2012 and once again in 500 metres in 2016. In January 2018 he finally won the first medal of his long skating career, silver at the inaugural European single distance championships. Poutala takes his family every autumn to Calgary, where he trains with Canadian top skaters.

📧 mikapoutala

🐦 mikapoutala

PERSONAL BESTS:

500 m: 34.17
(8 Dec 2017 Salt Lake City)

1000 m: 1:07.24
(13 Dec 2009 Salt Lake City)

PREVIOUS OLYMPIC GAMES:

2006 500 m 22nd, 1000 m 26th.

2010 500 m 5th, 1000 m 8th.

2014 500 m 29th.

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

2004 WCh 500 m 17th. WSprintCh 18th.

2005 WCh 500 m 13th. WSprintCh 20th.

2006 WSprintCh 19th.

2007 WCh 500 m 10th, 1000 m 20th. WSprintCh 15th.

2008 WCh 500 m 7th, 1000 m 9th. WSprintCh 6th.

2009 WCh 500 m 4th, 1000 m 10th. WSprintCh 6th.

2010 WSprintCh 6th.

2011 WCh 500 m 4th.

WSprintCh dnf.

2012 WCh 500 m 7th, 1000 m 15th. WSprintCh 4th.

2013 WCh 500 m 14th. WSprintCh 7th.

2015 WCh 500 m 17th. WSprintCh 7th.

2016 WCh 500 m 4th, 1000 m 10th. WSprintCh 6th.

2017 WCh 500 m 18th, 1000 m 21st. WSprintCh 5th. EurSprintCh 6th.

2018 EurCh 500 m silver, 1000 m 5th, team sprint silver.

World Cup: 1 win in 500 m.

EVENT:
500 m,
1000 m



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Speed Skating

Elina Risku



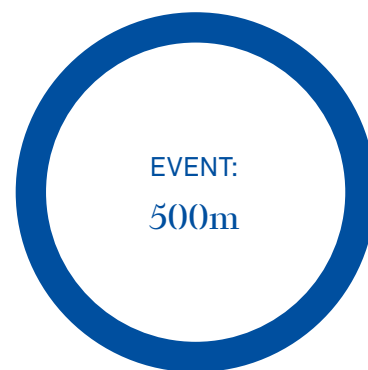
*March 7, 1992 Seinäjoki
170 cm, 65 kg
CLUB: Seinäjoen Urheilijat
COACH: Aimo Klemetsö

Elina Risku will become the first woman to represent Finland in Olympic speed skating in 38 years. The previous one was her mother Anneli (née Repola) who skated at the 1980 Games in Lake Placid. Risku has dominated women's skating in Finland since the year 2011, when she broke her mother's points record. Risku is a licensed nutritionist and works as a personal trainer.

Instagram: [elinaannemaria](#)
Twitter: [elinarisku](#)

PERSONAL BEST:
500 m 38.70 (15 Nov 2015 Calgary)

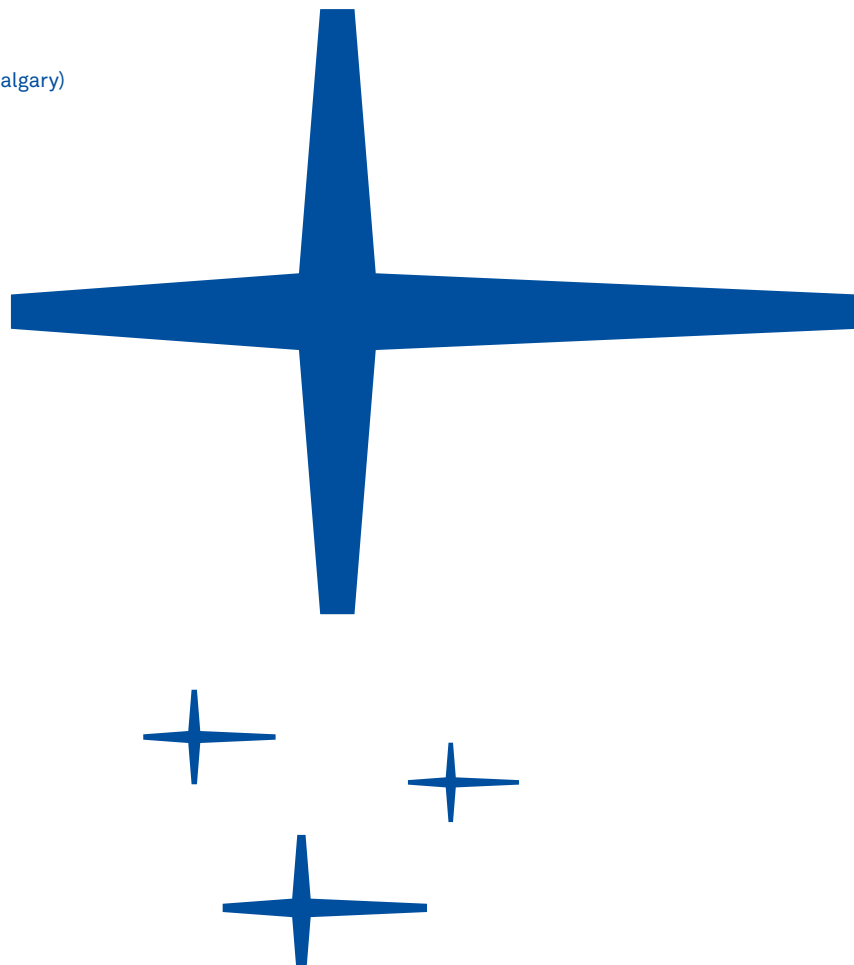
ACHIEVEMENTS:
2012 WSPrintCh dq.
2013 WSPrintCh 30th.
2014 WSPrintCh 24th.
2015 WSPrintCh 25th.
2016 WCh 500 m 24th.
2017 EurSprintCh 16th.
2018 EurCh 500 m 11th,
1000 m 16th.



Team Management



Janne Hänninen
Head Coach



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Notes and Abbreviations

Included in this book are all the athletes named to the Finnish Olympic team by 29 January 2018. Changes made in the composition of the team after that date are not included.

Statistics include all results of the athletes at major international competitions – Olympic Games, World Championships and European Championships – at senior level. Also included are medal placings at World Junior Championships. Full league statistics are included for players in men's and women's ice hockey teams.

All statistics are updated on 29 January 2018.

Abbreviations:

WCh	World Championships
WJCh	World Junior Championships
EurCh	European Championships
Youth OG	Youth Olympic Winter Games
EYOF	European Youth Olympic Festival
dnf	Did not finish
dq	Disqualified

ALPINE SKIING:

AC	Alpine combined
DH	Downhill
GS	Giant slalom
SG	Super giant slalom
SL	Slalom

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING:

C	Classical technique
F	Free technique
ms	Mass start

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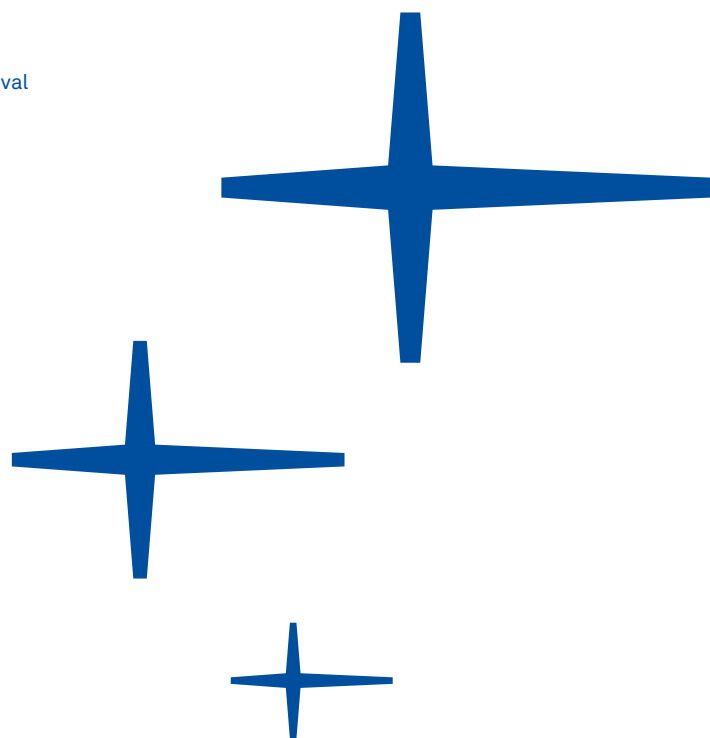
GP	Games played
G	Goals
A	Assists
PTS	Points
PIM	Penalty minutes
Avg.	Goaltending average (goals per game)
S%	Goaltending percentage (saves/shots)
WCup	World Cup of Hockey
OG	Olympic Games

NORDIC COMBINED:

LHC	Large hill competition
NHC	Normal hill competition

SKI JUMPING:

LH	Large hill
NH	Normal hill





Finnish Medallists at Olympic Winter Games

1924 CHAMONIX		4 gold, 4 silver, 3 bronze
Gold:	1500 m speed skating	Clas Thunberg
	5000 m speed skating	Clas Thunberg
	10 000 m speed skating	Julius Skutnabb
	Speed skating, overall points	Clas Thunberg
Silver:	5000 m speed skating	Julius Skutnabb
	10 000 m speed skating	Clas Thunberg
	Figure skating, pairs	Ludovika Jakobsson - Walter Jakobsson
	Military patrol skiing	(Väinö Bremer, August Eskelinen, Ville Mattila, Heikki Hirvonen)
Bronze:	18 km cross-country skiing	Tapani Niku
	500 m speed skating	Clas Thunberg
	Speed skating, overall points	Julius Skutnabb
1928 ST. MORITZ		2 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze
Gold:	500 m speed skating	Clas Thunberg
	1500 m speed skating	Clas Thunberg
Silver:	5000 m speed skating	Julius Skutnabb
Bronze:	500 m speed skating	Jaakko Friman
1932 LAKE PLACID		1 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze
Gold:	50 km cross-country skiing	Veli Saarinen
Silver:	50 km cross-country skiing	Väinö Liikkanen
Bronze:	18 km cross-country skiing	Veli Saarinen
1936 GARMISCH-PARTENKIRCHEN		1 gold, 2 silver, 3 bronze
Gold:	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing	(Sulo Nurmela, Klaus Karppinen, Matti Lähde, Kalle Jalkanen)
Silver:	5000 m speed skating	Birger Wasenius
	10 000 m speed skating	Birger Wasenius
Bronze:	18 km cross-country skiing	Pekka Niemi
	1500 m speed skating	Birger Wasenius
	5000 m speed skating	Antero Ojala
1948 ST. MORITZ		1 gold, 3 silver, 2 bronze
Gold:	Nordic combined	Heikki Hasu
Silver:	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing	(Lauri Silvennoinen, Teuvo Laukkanen, Sauli Rytky, August Kiuru)
	Nordic combined	Martti Huhtala
	10 000 m speed skating	Lassi Parkkinen
Bronze:	50 km cross-country skiing	Benjam Vanninen
	10 000 m speed skating	Pentti Lammio
1952 OSLO		3 gold, 4 silver, 2 bronze
Gold:	50 km cross-country skiing M	Veikko Hakulinen
	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Heikki Hasu, Paavo Lonkila, Urpo Korhonen, Tapio Mäkelä)
	10 km cross-country skiing W	Lydia Wideman
Silver:	18 km cross-country skiing M	Tapio Mäkelä
	50 km cross-country skiing M	Eero Kolehmainen
	Nordic combined	Heikki Hasu
	10 km cross-country skiing W	Mirja Hietamies
Bronze:	18 km cross-country skiing M	Paavo Lonkila
	10 km cross-country skiing W	Siiri Rantanen

1956 CORTINA D'AMPEZZO		3 gold, 3 silver, 1 bronze
Gold:	30 km cross-country skiing M	Veikko Hakulinen
	Ski jumping	Antti Hyvärinen
	3 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Sirkka Polkunen, Mirja Hietamies, Siiri Rantanen)
Silver:	50 km cross-country skiing M	Veikko Hakulinen
	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(August Kiuru, Jorma Kortelainen, Arvo Viitanen, Veikko Hakulinen)
	Ski jumping	Aulis Kallakorpi
Bronze:	1500 m speed skating M	Toivo Salonen
1960 SQUAW VALLEY		2 gold, 3 silver, 3 bronze
Gold:	50 km cross-country skiing M	Kalevi Hämäläinen
	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Toimi Alatalo, Eero Mäntyranta, Väinö Huhtala, Veikko Hakulinen)
Silver:	50 km cross-country skiing M	Veikko Hakulinen
	Ski jumping	Niilo Halonen
	20 km biathlon	Antti Tyrväinen
Bronze:	15 km cross-country skiing M	Veikko Hakulinen
	3 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Siiri Rantanen, Eeva Ruoppa, Toini Pöysti)
	3000 m speed skating W	Eevi Huttunen
1964 INNSBRUCK		3 gold, 4 silver, 3 bronze
Gold:	15 km cross-country skiing M	Eero Mäntyranta
	30 km cross-country skiing M	Eero Mäntyranta
	Ski jumping, normal hill	Veikko Kankkonen
Silver:	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Väinö Huhtala, Arto Tiainen, Kalevi Laurila, Eero Mäntyranta)
	Ski jumping, large hill	Veikko Kankkonen
	5 km cross-country skiing W	Mirja Lehtonen
	1500 m speed skating W	Kaija Mustonen
Bronze:	50 km cross-country skiing M	Arto Tiainen
	3 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Senja Pusula, Toini Pöysti, Mirja Lehtonen)
	1000 m speed skating W	Kaija Mustonen
1968 GRENOBLE		1 gold, 2 silver, 2 bronze
Gold:	1500 m speed skating W	Kaija Mustonen
Silver:	15 km cross-country skiing M	Eero Mäntyranta
	3000 m speed skating W	Kaija Mustonen
Bronze:	30 km cross-country skiing M	Eero Mäntyranta
	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Kalevi Oikarainen, Hannu Taipale, Kalevi Laurila, Eero Mäntyranta)
1972 SAPPORO		0 gold, 4 silver, 1 bronze
Silver:	Nordic combined	Rauno Miettinen
	5 km cross-country skiing W	Marjatta Kajosmaa
	3 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Helena Takalo, Hilikka Kuntola, Marjatta Kajosmaa)
	4 x 7.5 km biathlon	(Esko Saira, Juhani Suutarinen, Heikki Ikola, Mauri Röppänen)
Bronze:	10 km cross-country skiing W	Marjatta Kajosmaa



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1976 INNSBRUCK		2 gold, 4 silver, 1 bronze
Gold:	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Matti Pitkänen, Juha Mieto, Pertti Teurajärvi, Arto Koivisto)
	5 km cross-country skiing W	Helena Takalo
Silver:	10 km cross-country skiing W	Helena Takalo
	4 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Liisa Suihkonen, Marjatta Kajosmaa, Hilikka Kuntola, Helena Takalo)
	20 km biathlon	Heikki Ikola
	4 x 7,5 km biathlon	(Henrik Flöjt, Esko Saira, Juhani Suutarinen, Heikki Ikola)
Bronze:	15 km cross-country skiing M	Arto Koivisto
1980 LAKE PLACID		1 gold, 5 silver, 3 bronze
Gold:	Ski jumping, large hill	Jouko Törmänen
Silver:	15 km cross-country skiing M	Juha Mieto
	50 km cross-country skiing M	Juha Mieto
	Nordic combined	Jouko Karjalainen
	5 km cross-country skiing W	Hilikka Riihivuori
	10 km cross-country skiing W	Hilikka Riihivuori
Bronze:	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Harri Kirvesniemi, Pertti Teurajärvi, Matti Pitkänen, Juha Mieto)
	Ski jumping, large hill	Jari Puikkonen
	10 km cross-country skiing W	Helena Takalo
1984 SARAJEVO		4 gold, 3 silver, 6 bronze
Gold:	Ski jumping, large hill	Matti Nykänen
	5 km cross-country skiing W	Marja-Liisa Hämäläinen
	10 km cross-country skiing W	Marja-Liisa Hämäläinen
	20 km cross-country skiing W	Marja-Liisa Hämäläinen
Silver:	15 km cross-country skiing M	Aki Karvonen
	Ski jumping, normal hill	Matti Nykänen
	Nordic combined	Jouko Karjalainen
Bronze:	15 km cross-country skiing M	Harri Kirvesniemi
	50 km cross-country skiing M	Aki Karvonen
	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Kari Ristanen, Juha Mieto, Harri Kirvesniemi, Aki Karvonen)
	Ski jumping, normal hill	Jari Puikkonen
	Nordic combined	Jukka Ylipulli
	4 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Pirkko Määttä, Eija Hyytiäinen, Marjo Matikainen, Marja-Liisa Hämäläinen)
1988 CALGARY		4 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze
Gold:	Ski jumping, normal hill	Matti Nykänen
	Ski jumping, large hill	Matti Nykänen
	Ski jumping, team competition	(Ari-Pekka Nikkola, Matti Nykänen, Tuomo Ylipulli, Jari Puikkonen)
	5 km cross-country skiing (C) W	Marjo Matikainen
Silver:	Ice hockey	(Jarmo Myllys, Jukka Tammi, Teppo Numminen, Timo Blomqvist, Jyrki Lumme, Arto Ruotanen, Simo Saarinen, Kari Eloranta, Jukka Virtanen, Reijo Ruotsalainen, Timo Susi, Kai Suikkanen, Jari Torkki, Raimo Helminen, Iiro Järvi, Erkki Laine, Pekka Tuomisto, Janne Ojanen, Erkki Lehtonen, Reijo Mikkolainen, Esa Keskinen, Kari Laitinen)
Bronze:	10 km cross-country skiing (C) W	Marjo Matikainen
	4 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Pirkko Määttä, Marja-Liisa Kirvesniemi, Marjo Matikainen, Jaana Savolainen)



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1992 ALBERTVILLE		3 gold, 1 silver, 3 bronze
Gold:	Ski jumping, large hill	Toni Nieminen
	Ski jumping, team competition	(Ari-Pekka Nikkola, Mika Laitinen, Risto Laakkonen, Toni Nieminen)
	5 km cross-country skiing (C) W	Marjut Lukkarinen
Silver:	15 km cross-country skiing (C) W	Marjut Lukkarinen
Bronze:	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Mika Kuusisto, Harri Kirvesniemi, Jari Räsänen, Jari Isometsä)
	Ski jumping, normal hill	Toni Nieminen
	10 km biathlon M	Harri Eloranta
1994 LILLEHAMMER		0 gold, 1 silver, 5 bronze
Silver:	50 km cross-country skiing (C) M	Mika Myllylä
Bronze:	30 km cross-country skiing (F) M	Mika Myllylä
	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Mika Myllylä, Harri Kirvesniemi, Jari Räsänen, Jari Isometsä)
	5 km cross-country skiing (C) N	Marja-Liisa Kirvesniemi
	30 km cross-country skiing (C) N	Marja-Liisa Kirvesniemi
	Ice hockey	(Jarmo Myllys, Jukka Tammi, Marko Kiprusoff, Erik Hämäläinen, Timo Jutila, Pasi Sormunen, Janne Laukkanen, Hannu Virta, Mika Strömberg, Janne Ojanen, Esa Keskinen, Saku Koivu, Marko Palo, Raimo Helminen, Mika Alatalo, Ville Pelttonen, Jere Lehtinen, Sami Kapanen, Tero Lehterä, Petri Varis, Mika Nieminen, Mikko Mäkelä, Pasi Kuivalainen)
1998 NAGANO		2 gold, 4 silver, 6 bronze
Gold:	30 km cross-country skiing (C) M	Mika Myllylä
	Ski jumping, normal hill	Jani Soininen
Silver:	Ski jumping, large hill	Jani Soininen
	Nordic combined	Samppa Lajunen
	Nordic combined, team competition	(Samppa Lajunen, Jari Mantila, Tapio Nurmela, Hannu Manninen)
	Freestyle skiing, moguls M	Janne Lahtela
Bronze:	10 km cross-country skiing (C) M	Mika Myllylä
	4 x 10 km cross-country skiing M	(Harri Kirvesniemi, Mika Myllylä, Sami Repo, Jari Isometsä)
	Freestyle skiing, moguls M	Sami Mustonen
	10 km biathlon M	Ville Rääkkönen
	Ice hockey M	(Jarmo Myllys, Ari Sulander, Jukka Tammi, Aki Berg, Tuomas Grönman, Janne Laukkanen, Jyrki Lumme, Janne Niinimaa, Teppo Numminen, Kimmo Timonen, Raimo Helminen, Sami Kapanen, Saku Koivu, Jari Kurri, Jere Lehtinen, Juha Lind, Mika Nieminen, Ville Pelttonen, Kimmo Rintanen, Teemu Selänne, Esa Tikkanen, Antti Törmänen, Juha Ylönen)
	Ice hockey W	(Tuula Puputti, Liisa-Maria Sneck, Satu Huotari, Kirsi Hänninen, Johanna Ikonen, Emma Laaksonen, Katja Lehto, Marja-Helena Pälvilä, Päivi Salo, Sari Fisk, Marianne Ihalainen, Sari Krooks, Sanna Lankosaari, Marika Lehtimäki, Riikka Nieminen, Karoliina Rantamäki, Tiia Reima, Katja Riipi, Maria Selin, Petra Vaarakallio)
2002 SALT LAKE CITY		4 gold, 2 silver, 1 bronze
Gold:	Nordic combined, Gundersen	Samppa Lajunen
	Nordic combined, sprint	Samppa Lajunen
	Nordic combined, team competition	(Jari Mantila, Hannu Manninen, Jaakko Tallus, Samppa Lajunen)
	Freestyle skiing, moguls M	Janne Lahtela
Silver:	Ski jumping, team competition	(Matti Hautamäki, Veli-Matti Lindström, Risto Jussilainen, Janne Ahonen)
	Nordic combined, Gundersen	Jaakko Tallus
Bronze:	Ski jumping, large hill	Matti Hautamäki



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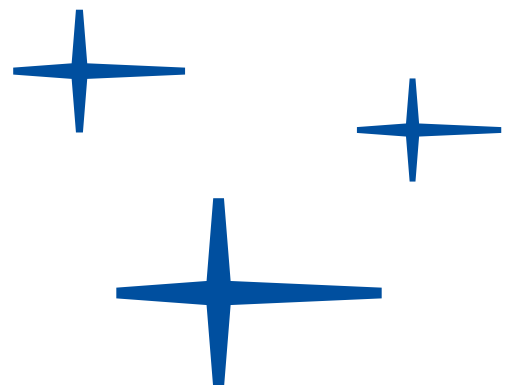
2006 TURIN		0 gold, 6 silver, 3 bronze
Silver:	Ski jumping, normal hill	Matti Hautamäki
	Ski jumping, team competition	(Tami Kiuru, Janne Happonen, Janne Ahonen, Matti Hautamäki)
	Giant slalom W	Tanja Poutiainen
	Freestyle skiing, moguls M	Mikko Ronkainen
	Curling M	(Markku Uusipaavalniemi, Teemu Salo, Kalle Kiiskinen, Wille Mäkelä, Jani Sulanmaa)
	Ice hockey M	(Antero Niittymäki, Fredrik Norrena, Niklas Bäckström, Aki Berg, Lasse Kukkonen, Toni Lydman, Antti-Jussi Niemi, Petteri Nummelin, Teppo Numminen, Sami Salo, Kimmo Timonen, Niklas Hagman, Jukka Hentunen, Jussi Jokinen, Olli Jokinen, Niko Kapanen, Mikko Koivu, Saku Koivu, Antti Laaksonen, Jere Lehtinen, Ville Nieminen, Ville Peltonen, Jarkko Ruutu, Teemu Selänne)
Bronze:	Cross-country skiing, team sprint (C) W	Virpi Kuitunen - Aino-Kaisa Saarinen
	Nordic combined, team competition	(Antti Kuisma, Anssi Koivuranta, Jaakko Tallus, Hannu Manninen)
	Snowboard, halfpipe M	Markku Koski
2010 VANCOUVER		0 gold, 1 silver, 4 bronze
Silver:	Snowboard, halfpipe M	Peetu Piironen
Bronze:	30 km cross-country skiing (C) W	Aino-Kaisa Saarinen
	4 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Pirjo Muranen, Virpi Kuitunen, Riitta-Liisa Roponen, Aino-Kaisa Saarinen)
	Ice hockey M	(Miikka Kiprusoff, Niklas Bäckström, Antero Niittymäki, Lasse Kukkonen, Sami Lepistö, Toni Lydman, Janne Niskala, Joni Pitkänen, Sami Salo, Kimmo Timonen, Valtteri Filppula, Niklas Hagman, Jarkko Immonen, Olli Jokinen, Niko Kapanen, Mikko Koivu, Saku Koivu, Jere Lehtinen, Antti Mieltinen, Ville Peltonen, Jarkko Ruutu, Tuomo Ruutu, Teemu Selänne)
	Ice hockey W	(Noora Rätty, Mira Kuisma, Anna Vanhatalo, Jenni Hiirikoski, Emma Laaksonen, Rosa Lindstedt, Terhi Mertanen, Heidi Pelttari, Mariia Posa, Saija Sirviö, Anne Helin, Venla Hovi, Michelle Karvinen, Annina Rajahuhta, Karoliina Rantamäki, Mari Saarinen, Nina Tikkinen, Minnamari Tuominen, Saara Tuominen, Marjo Voutilainen, Linda Välimäki)
2014 SOCHI		1 gold, 3 silver, 1 bronze
Gold:	Cross-country skiing, team sprint (C) M	Iivo Niskanen - Sami Jauhojärvi
Silver:	Cross-country skiing, team sprint (C) W	Aino-Kaisa Saarinen - Kerttu Niskanen
	4 x 5 km cross-country skiing W	(Anne Kyllönen, Aino-Kaisa Saarinen, Kerttu Niskanen, Krista Lähteenmäki)
	Snowboard, slopestyle W	Enni Rukajärvi
Bronze:	Ice hockey M	(Antti Niemi, Kari Lehtonen, Tuukka Rask, Olli Määttä, Ossi Väänänen, Lasse Kukkonen, Sami Salo, Sami Lepistö, Juuso Hietanen, Kimmo Timonen, Sami Vatanen, Teemu Selänne, Olli Jokinen, Tuomo Ruutu, Aleksander Barkov, Jori Lehterä, Sakari Salminen, Jarkko Immonen, Petri Kontiola, Lauri Korpikoski, Jussi Jokinen, Antti Pihlström, Juhamatti Aaltonen, Mikael Granlund, Leo Komarov)

TOTAL: 42 gold, 62 silver, 57 bronze medals

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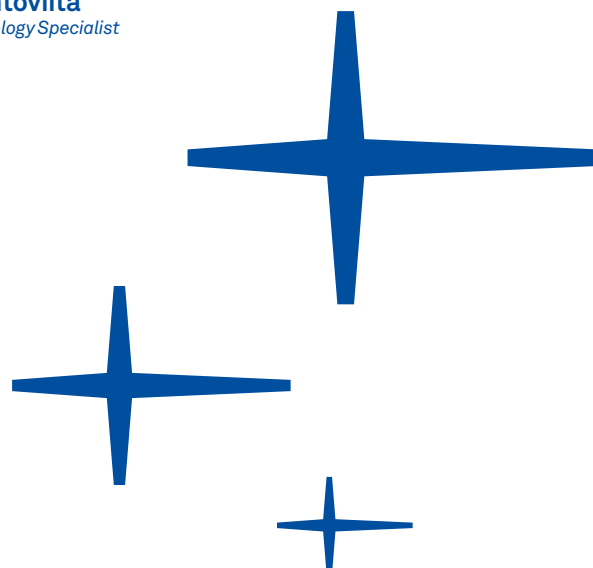
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Schedule

PyeongChang 2018 Olympic Competition Schedule v11 26 January 2018

	Sport / Discipline		Day -1 Thursday 08 Feb.	Day 0 Friday 09 Feb.	Day 1 Saturday 10 Feb.	Day 2 Sunday 11 Feb.	Day 3 Monday 12 Feb.	Day 4 Tuesday 13 Feb.	Day 5 Wednesday 14 Feb.	Day 6 Thursday 15 Feb.	
PyeongChang Olympic Stadium	Ceremonies	Version #11		CER01 Opening Ceremony 20:00-22:10							
Gangneung Hockey Centre	Ice Hockey (Note 1)	Version #11							HC01 SWE - GBR 21:10-23:30	HC03 FIN - GER 12:30-14:30 HC05 NOR - SWE 16:40-19:00 HC07 CZE - KOR 21:10-23:30	
Riwondong Hockey Centre	Ice Hockey	Version #11			HC02 JPN - SWE 16:40-19:00 HC04 CAN - GBR 21:10-23:30	HC06 FIN - USA 16:40-19:00 HC08 CAN - GBR 21:10-23:30	HC09 SUI - JPN 16:40-19:00 HC10 SWE - GBR 21:10-23:30	HC11 SWE - SUI 12:30-14:30 HC13 CAN - FIN 16:40-19:00 HC15 USA - GBR 21:10-23:30	HC12 USA - SLO 21:10-23:30	HC14 USA - CAN 12:30-14:30 HC16 GBR - FIN 16:40-19:00 HC18 SUI - CAN 21:10-23:30	
Gangneung Ice Arena	Figure Skating	Version #11		FSK01 Team Event M Short Program Pairs Short Program 10:00-13:30		FSK02 Team Event Ice Dance Short Dance Pairs Free Skating 10:00-14:40	FSK03 Team Event M Free Skating Ice Dance Free Dance 10:00-13:25	FSK04 Pairs Short Program 10:00-13:45		FSK05 Pairs Free Skating 10:30-13:55	
	Short Track Speed Skating	Version #11			STK01 M 500m Final * W 500m Qual. W 3000m Relay Qual. 19:00-21:50			STK02 W 500m Final * M 1000m Qual. M 5000m Relay Qual. 19:00-21:30			
Gangneung Oval	Speed Skating	Version #11			SK01 W 5000m 20:00-21:50	SK02 W 5000m 16:00-18:15	SK03 W 5000m 21:30-23:10	SK04 W 5000m 20:00-21:45	SK05 W 5000m 19:00-20:30	SK06 W 5000m 20:00-22:10	
Gangneung Curling Centre	Curling (Note 2)	Version #11	CRU01 Mixed Doubles Round Robin CUR01 MD #1 9:05-11:00 CUR02 MD #2 20:05-22:00	CRU03 Mixed Doubles Round Robin CUR03 MD #3 8:35-10:30 CUR04 MD #4 13:35-15:30	CRU05 Mixed Doubles Round Robin CUR05 MD #5 9:05-11:00 CUR06 MD #6 20:05-22:00	CRU07 Mixed Doubles Round Robin CUR07 MD #7 9:05-11:00 CUR08 Tie-breaker 20:05-22:00	CRU09 Mixed Doubles M Semifinal #1 9:05-11:00 CUR10 MD Semifinal #2 20:05-22:00	CRU11 Mixed Doubles CUR11 MD Bronze Medal 9:05-11:00 CUR12 MD Gold Medal * 20:05-22:00	CRU13 M/W Round Robin CUR13 M #1 9:05-12:00 CUR14 W #1 14:05-17:00 CUR15 M #2 20:05-23:00	CRU17 M/W Round Robin CUR17 M #2 9:05-12:00 CUR18 W #2 14:05-17:00 CUR19 M #3 20:05-23:00	
Jeongseon Alpine Centre	Alpine Skiing Speed Events Downhill Super-G Alpine Combined	Version #11				ALP01 M Downhill 11:00-13:05		ALP03 M Alpine Combined ALP03 M 13:30-13:10 ALP05 15:00-16:25		ALP07 M Super-G 11:00-13:10	
Yongpyong Alpine Centre	Alpine Skiing Technical Events Giant Slalom Slalom Team Event	Version #11					ALP02 W Giant Slalom ALP02 W 10:15-11:55 ALP04 12:45-15:35	ALP06 W Slalom ALP06 W 13:45-15:25			
Alpensia Ski Jumping Centre	Ski Jumping Nordic Combined Snowboard Big Air	Version #11	SJP01 M Individual NH Qualification 21:30-22:40		SJP02 M Individual NH 21:35-23:20		SJP03 M Individual NH 21:50-23:20		NCB01 M Individual NH 15:00-15:55		
Alpensia Cross-Country Skiing Centre	Cross-Country Skiing Nordic Combined	Version #11			CCS01 W 7.5 km + 7.5 km Sledgion 16:15-17:20	CCS02 W 15 km + 15 km Sledgion 15:15-17:10		CCS03 M/W Individual Sprint Classic CCS03 M 17:30-18:45 CCS04 20:00-22:00	NCB02 M Individual 10 km 17:45-18:45	CCS05 W 10 km Free 15:30-17:15	
Alpensia Biathlon Centre	Biathlon	Version #11			BTH01 W 7.5 km Sprint 20:15-21:45	BTH02 W 10 km Sprint 20:15-21:55	BTH03 W 10 km Pursuit 19:30-20:00 BTH04 M 12.5 km Pursuit 21:00-21:55		BTH05 M Individual 20:05-22:00	BTH06 M Individual 20:00-22:00	
	Snowboard Parallel Giant Slalom Freestyle Skiing Slopestyle Snowboard Slopestyle	Version #11			SB01 M Slopestyle Qualification 10:00-14:30	SB02 W Slopestyle Final 10:00-11:45 SB03 W Slopestyle Qualification 13:30-15:35	SB04 M Slopestyle Final 10:00-11:45				
Phoenix Snow Park	Freestyle Skiing Moguls Freestyle Skiing Aerials	Version #11		FRS01 W & M Moguls Qualification FRS01 W 10:00-10:45 FRS02 M 11:45-12:30		FRS03 W Moguls FRS03 W 16:30-20:00 FRS04 21:00-22:40	FRS05 M Moguls FRS05 M 16:30-20:00 FRS06 21:00-22:40			FRS07 W Aerials Qualification 1 & 2 20:00-21:15	
	Snowboard Halfpipe Snowboard Cross Freestyle Skiing Halfpipe Freestyle Skiing Ski Cross	Version #11					SB05 W Halfpipe Qualification 13:30-15:00	SB06 M Halfpipe Qualification 13:30-15:00	SB07 M Halfpipe Qualifications 15:00-14:50	SB08 M Halfpipe Finals 10:00-11:40 SB09 M Halfpipe Finals 10:30-12:10	SB10 M Snowboard Cross SB10 M 12:00-12:35 SB11 M Ski Cross Qualification + 13:30-15:00
	Bobsleigh	Version #11									
	Skeleton	Version #11								SK01 M SK01 M 18:2 10:00-12:25	
	Luge	Version #11			LUG01 Heat 1 & 2 19:10-22:20	LUG02 Heat 3 & 4 20:00-22:45	LUG03 Heat 1 & 2 19:50-22:20	LUG04 Heat 3 & 4 19:50-21:55	LUG05 Heat 1 & 2 19:30-21:25	LUG06 Team Relay 21:30-22:45	
Total Medals					5	7	8	8	6	7	
Medals at Mountain Venues					3	6	6	5	5	5	
Medals at Coastal Venues					2	1	2	3	1	2	
Sunrise			7:23	7:22	7:21	7:20	7:19	7:17	7:16	7:15	
Sunset			17:56	17:57	17:58	17:59	18:00	18:01	18:03	18:04	
Notes		Competition Schedule is subject to change									
---		Signifies a Medal Event									
---		Signifies the 1 Medal Event on days where there is more than 1 session taking place									
---		Signifies the 2 Medal Events within the same session									
---		Signifies the 3 Medal Events within the same session									
Victory Ceremonies		All session times include the time for set-up and delivery of the Venue Ceremonies									
IBF - Note 1		Women's Bronze Medal will be presented at the Gold Medal Games. Men's Bronze Medal will be presented during the Bronze medal game and this is still subject to change									
WCF - Note 2		Bronze Medal will be presented at the Gold Medal sessions									



Day 7 Friday 16 Feb.	Day 8 Saturday 17 Feb.	Day 9 Sunday 18 Feb.	Day 10 Monday 19 Feb.	Day 11 Tuesday 20 Feb.	Day 12 Wednesday 21 Feb.	Day 13 Thursday 22 Feb.	Day 14 Friday 23 Feb.	Day 15 Saturday 24 Feb.	Day 16 Sunday 25 Feb.	Medals v11
									CR02 Closing Ceremony 20:00-22:00	
Ice Hockey M Preliminary Round IK019 USA - SVK 12:10-14:30 IK020 CAN - SLO 16:40-19:00 IK021 FIN - NOR 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey M Preliminary Round IK023 CAN - CZE 12:10-14:30 IK025 KOR - SUI 16:40-19:00 IK027 CAN - USA 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey M Preliminary Round IK029 GER - NOR 12:10-14:30 IK031 CZE - SUI 16:40-19:00 IK033 CAN - KOR 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey W Semifinals IK035 13:10-15:30 IK036 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey M Qualification Playoffs IK047 12:10-14:30 IK049 16:40-19:00 IK041 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey M Quarterfinals IK043 12:10-14:30 IK045 16:40-19:00 IK046 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey W Gold Medal IK048 13:10-16:00	Ice Hockey M Semifinals IK049 16:40-19:00 IK050 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey M Bronze Medal IK051 21:10-00:00	Ice Hockey M Gold Medal IK052 13:10-16:00	2
Ice Hockey M Preliminary Round IK022 SWE - GER 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey W Quarterfinals IK024 12:10-14:30 IK026 16:40-19:00 M Preliminary Round IK028 SLO - SVK 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey W Classification Games IK030 12:10-14:30 IK032 16:40-19:00 M Preliminary Round IK034 SWE - FIN 21:10-23:30		Ice Hockey W Classification Games IK038 12:10-14:30 IK040 16:40-19:00 M Qualification Playoff IK042 21:10-23:30	Ice Hockey W Bronze Medal IK045 16:40-19:00					
Figure Skating FSK04 M Short Program 10:00-14:30	Figure Skating FSK07 W Free Skating 10:00-14:25		Figure Skating FSK09 Ice Dance Short Dance 10:00-13:45	Figure Skating FSK09 Ice Dance Free Dance 10:00-13:45		Figure Skating FSK10 W Short Program 10:00-14:30		Figure Skating FSK17 W Free Skating 10:00-14:15	Figure Skating FSK12 Gold Exhibition 09:30-12:00	5
	Short Track ** STK03 W 1500 m Final W 1000 m Final 19:00-21:55			Short Track STK04 W 1000 m Qual M 500 m Qual W 3000 m Relay Final † 19:00-21:00		Short Track *** STK05 W 1500 m Final W 1000 m Final M 500 m Relay Final 19:00-21:45				8
Speed Skating SSK07 W 5000 m 20:00-21:30		Speed Skating SSK08 M Team Pursuit Qual W 500 m † 20:00-21:55	Speed Skating SSK09 W Team Pursuit Qual M 500 m † 20:00-22:00		Speed Skating ** SSK10 W/M Team Pursuit Finals 20:00-22:50		Speed Skating SSK17 W 1500 m 19:00-20:35	Speed Skating ** SSK12 W/M Mass Start 20:00-22:40		14
Curling M/W Round Robin CR17 M #4 9:05-12:00 CR18 W #4 14:05-17:00 CR19 M #5 20:05-23:00	Curling M/W Round Robin CR22 W #5 9:05-12:00 CR23 M #6 14:05-17:00 CR24 W #6 20:05-23:00	Curling M/W Round Robin CR26 W #7 9:05-12:00 CR27 M #8 14:05-17:00 CR28 W #8 20:05-23:00	Curling M/W Round Robin CR29 M #9 9:05-12:00 CR30 W #9 14:05-17:00 CR31 M #9 20:05-23:00	Curling M/W Round Robin CR32 M #10 9:05-12:00 CR33 W #10 14:05-17:00 CR34 M #10 20:05-23:00	Curling M/W Round Robin CR35 M #11 9:05-12:00 CR36 W #11 14:05-17:00 CR37 M #11 20:05-23:00	Curling CR37 M/W T2-Breaker 9:05-12:00 CR38 M Semifinal 20:05-23:00	Curling CR39 M Bronze Medal 9:05-18:30 CR40 W Semifinal 20:05-23:00	Curling CR41 M Gold Medal 9:05-18:55 CR42 W Bronze Medal 20:05-23:00	Curling CR43 W Gold Medal 9:05-12:25	3
	Alpine Skiing ALP09 W Super-G 11:00-12:55				Alpine Skiing ALP12 W Downhill 11:00-12:50		Alpine Skiing W Alpine Combined ALP15 11:00-12:25 ALP16 14:30-15:45			6
		Alpine Skiing M Giant Slalom ALP10 10:15-12:10 ALP11 13:45-15:45				Alpine Skiing M Slalom ALP13 10:15-12:10 ALP14 13:45-15:40		Alpine Skiing ALP17 Team Event 11:00-13:00		5
Ski Jumping SJP04 M Individual LH Qualification 21:30-22:40	Ski Jumping SJP05 W Individual LH 21:30-23:15		Snowboard SB03 W Big Air Qualifications 09:30-12:25 Ski Jumping SJP06 M Team LH † 21:30-23:25	Nordic Combined NC03 M Individual LH 19:00-19:55	Snowboard SB04 W Big Air Qualifications 09:30-12:45	Nordic Combined NC05 M Team LH 16:30-17:10		Snowboard SB07 W Big Air Finals 09:30-11:15	Snowboard SB07 M Big Air Finals 10:00-11:45	6
Cross-Country Skiing CC08 M 15 km Free 15:00-16:50	Cross-Country Skiing CC09 W 4 x 5 km Relay Classic Free 16:30-18:45	Cross-Country Skiing CC08 M 4 x 5 km Relay Classic Free 16:30-18:45		Nordic Combined NC04 M Individual 10 km 21:45-22:45	Cross-Country Skiing ** W/M Team Sprint Free CC09 17:00-18:30 CC10 18:00-20:30	Nordic Combined NC06 M Team 4 x 3 km 19:20-20:20		Cross-Country Skiing CC31 M 30 km Mass Start Classic 14:00-17:05	Cross-Country Skiing CC32 W 30 km Mass Start Classic 15:15-17:20	15
	Biatlon BTH07 W 12.5 km Mass Start 20:15-21:10	Biatlon BTH08 W 12.5 km Mass Start 20:15-21:15		Biatlon BTH09 M 10 km Relay 20:15-21:45		Biatlon BTH10 W 4 x 5 km Relay 20:15-21:45	Biatlon BTH11 M 4 x 7.5 km Relay 20:15-21:45			11
	Freestyle Skiing W 2-man FRS09 Qualifications 10:00-11:40 FRS10 Finals † 13:00-14:35	Freestyle Skiing W 2-man FRS12 Qualifications 10:00-12:05 FRS13 Finals † 13:15-14:50				Snowboard W & M Parallel Giant Slalom SB05 Qualifications 12:00-13:50		Snowboard ** W & M Parallel Giant Slalom SB08 Finals 12:00-13:30		6
Freestyle Skiing FRS05 W Aerials Finals 20:00-21:20	Freestyle Skiing FRS07 M Aerials Qualifications 20:00-21:15	Freestyle Skiing FRS14 M Aerials Finals 20:00-21:20								4
Snowboard W Snowboard Cross SB07 Seeding Round 10:00-11:25 SB07 Finals † 12:15-13:15			Freestyle Skiing FRS16 W Halfpipe Qualifications 10:00-11:25	Freestyle Skiing FRS16 W Halfpipe Finals 10:30-11:55 FRS17 M Halfpipe Qualifications 13:00-14:45	Freestyle Skiing FRS18 M 30-Cross Seeding Round 11:30-12:15 FRS19 Finals † 13:15-14:55	Freestyle Skiing FRS20 M Halfpipe Finals 11:30-13:00	Freestyle Skiing W 30-Cross FRS21 Seeding Round 11:30-12:15 FRS22 Finals † 13:15-14:55			8
		Bobsleigh 2-man BOB01 Heat 1 & 2 20:05-22:45	Bobsleigh 2-man BOB02 Heat 3 & 4 20:15-23:00	Bobsleigh W BOB03 Heat 1 & 2 20:05-22:45	Bobsleigh W BOB04 Heat 3 & 4 20:15-23:00			Bobsleigh 4-man BOB05 Heat 1 & 2 09:30-12:00	Bobsleigh 4-man BOB06 Heat 3 & 4 09:30-12:30	3
Skeleton SK02 M Heat 3 & 4 † 09:50-12:10 SK03 W Heat 1 & 2 20:20-22:10	Skeleton W SK04 Heat 3 & 4 20:20-22:40									2
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Time Zone Information	Start Times	Start Times	Start Times
Korea - PyeongChang	10:00 am, Friday	3:00 pm, Friday	8:00 pm, Friday
Central European Time	2:00 am, Friday	7:00 am, Friday	12:00 pm, Friday
Eastern Standard Time (USA)	8:00 pm, Thursday	1:00 am, Friday	6:00 am, Friday

Mountain Cluster

Alpensia Cross-Country Skiing Centre

Alpensia Ski Jumping Centre

PyeongChang Olympic Plaza

Alpensia Biathlon Centre

PyeongChang Olympic Village

Olympic Family Hotels (OFH)(OF2)

International Broadcast Centre

Main Press Centre

Alpensia Sports Park

Alpensia Sliding Centre

Jinbu Station

Olympic Family Hotel (OF3)

Yongpyong Alpine Centre

Bokwang Snow Park (P, C)

Yangyang International Airport

Olympic Family Hotel (OF4)

International Dignitary Hotel

Gangneung Ice Arena

Gangneung Oval

Gangneung Hockey Centre

Gangneung Curling Centre

Gangneung Station

Kwandong Hockey Centre

Gangneung Olympic Park

Gangneung Olympic Village

Gangneung Media Village

Gangneung Yeongdong Short Track Training Venue

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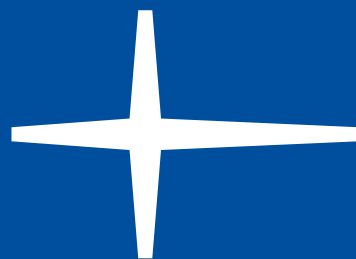
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