

FIH - Fédération Internationale de Hockey



(Field) Hockey is an ancient sport. There are depictions of hockey-like games from the Ancient Greece and East Asia.

The modern hockey game originated in the middle of the 19th century in England. An International Rule Board was introduced in 1895, and in 1908 hockey was part of the Olympic program for the first time. But the sport was not considered for the Olympic Games in 1924 because it was not

represented by an international federation. This has inspired the Frenchman Paul Léautey to invite representatives from 6 other countries (AUT, BEL, ESP, HUN, SUI and TCH) to establish the

Fédération Internationale de Hockey sur Gazon (FIH) in the same year.

In March 1935, the FIH deleted the words "sur Gazon" from its name.

Parallel, the women's hockey grew rapidly. In 1924 at a meeting of representatives from ENG, IRL, SCO, WAL and USA it was decided to establish a separate women's federation. Three years later on 23.01.1927, in London the **International Federation of Women's Hockey Associations (IFWHA)** was founded by AUS, DEN, ENG, IRL, RSA, SCO, USA and WAL.

On 23.04.1983 the IFWHA dissolved, its member federations became immediately member of the FIH (if not already associated). This merger was a demand by the IOC to include women's hockey in the Olympic program.

1930: 15 member federations (only FIH)
1964: 50 member federations (only FIH)
1974: 71 member federations (only FIH)
1996: 119 member federations
2014: 126 member federations
2020: 136 member federations



Presidents

FIH

07.01.1924 - 02.01.1926 † Paul Léautey FRA
03.01.1926 - 24.03.1932 † Frantz Reichel FRA
13.11.1932 - 10.08.1936 Dr. Marcel Bellin du Coteau FRA
10.08.1936 - 1945 Georg Evers GER
1945 - 06.10.1946 Robert Liégeois BEL, interim
06.10.1946 - 23.11.1966 Jonkheer L.J. Quarles van Ufford NED

23.11.1966 - 04.09.1983 † René G. Frank BEL

21.01.1984 - 16.11.1996 Étienne Glichitch FRA
16.11.1996 - 23.04.2001 Juan Ángel Calzado de Castro ESP
23.04.2001 - 29.11.2008 Els van Breda Vriesman NED
29.11.2008 - 12.11.2016 Leandro Negre Carrió ESP
12.11.2016 - 18.07.2022 Dr. Narinder Batra IND
18. - 20.07.2022 ---
20.07. - 05.11.2022 Seif Ahmed EGY; acting
05.11.2022 - Tayyab Ikram MAC

IFWHA

23.01.1927 - 10.09.1933
11.09.1933 - 08.05.1948

08.05.1948- 12.07.1950
13.07.1950 - 10.10.1953
11.10.1953 - 02.11.1955 †
03.11.1955 - 02.06.1956
03.06.1956 - 07.05.1959
08.05.1959 - 18.09.1963
19.09.1963 - 28.09.1967
29.09.1967 - 01.09.1971
02.09.1971 - 23.04.1983

Catherine J. Gaskell ENG
Helen Krumbhaar USA

M. Dietrich RSA
Hilda M. Light ENG
Marie Hamilton AUS
Eve Redfern AUS
Eska de Josselin de Jong NED
Nancy Sawin USA
Bärbel Kolbenschlag FRG
Aileen Gooder NZL
Eileen Hyndman SCO

Secretaries General

FIH

07.01.1924 - 24.11.1929 Francisco Botella ESP
24.11.1929 - 03.11.1950 Albert Demaurex SUI

03.11.1950 - 23.11.1966 René G. Frank BEL

23.11.1966 - 21.01.1984 Étienne Glichitch FRA

21.01.1984 - 04.03.1993 Juan Ángel Calzado de Castro ESP
04.03.1993 - 05.11.1994 the role has been shared by a number of council members
05.11.1994 - 23.04.2001 Els van Breda Vriesman NED
23.04.2001 - 04.10.2011 Peter Cohen AUS

IFWHA

Honorary Secretaries

23.01.1927 - 08.07.1930
08.07.1930 - 11.09.1933
11.09.1933 - 08.05.1948
17.05.1948 - 12.07.1950
13.07.1950 - 10.10.1953
11.10.1953 - 02.06.1956
03.06.1956 - 07.05.1959
08.05.1959 - 18.09.1963

Wilhelmina A. Baumann ENG
Helen G. Armfield ENG
Anne B. Townsend USA
Sylvia C. Hoffa RSA
Kathleen "Kay" Watkins ENG
Pretoria "Tory" Wicks AUS
Reina F. Streefkerk-Schuitema NED
Betty Shellenberger USA

Honorary General & Conference Secretaries

18.09.1963 - 29.08.1979
29.08.1979- 23.04.1983

Kathleen "Kay" Watkins ENG
Margot Stewart SCO

Player of the Year

	Men	Women
1998	Stephan VEEN NED	Alyson ANNAN AUS
1999	Jay STACY AUS	Natascha KELLER GER
2000	Stephan VEEN NED	Alyson ANNAN AUS
2001	Florian KUNZ GER	Luciana AYMAR ARG
2002	Michael GREEN GER	Cecilia ROGNONI ARG
2003	Teun de NOOIJER NED	Mijntje DONNERS NED
2004	Jamie DWYER AUS	Luciana AYMAR ARG
2005	Teun de NOOIJER NED	Luciana AYMAR ARG
2006	Teun de NOOIJER NED	Minke BOOIJ NED
2007	Jamie DWYER AUS	Luciana AYMAR ARG
2008	Pol AMAT ESP	Luciana AYMAR ARG
2009	Jamie DWYER AUS	Luciana AYMAR ARG Naomi van AS NED
2010	Jamie DWYER AUS	Luciana AYMAR ARG
2011	Jamie DWYER AUS	Maartje PAUMEN NED
2012	Moritz FÜRSTE GER	Maartje PAUMEN NED
2013	Tobias HAUKE GER	Luciana AYMAR ARG
2014	Mark KNOWLES AUS	Ellen HOOG NED
2015	Robert van der HORST NED	Lidewij WELTEN NED
2016	John-John DOHMEN BEL	Naomi van AS NED
2017	Arthur VAN DOREN BEL	Delfina MERINO ARG
2018	Arthur VAN DOREN BEL	Eva DE GOEDE NED
2019	Manpreet SINGH IND	Eva DE GOEDE NED
2020	<i>Not awarded as many international matches of 2020 were cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.</i>	
2021	Harmanpreet SINGH IND	Gurjit KAUR IND
2022	Harmanpreet SINGH IND	Felice ALBERS NED
2023	Hardik SINGH IND	Xan de WAARD NED
2024	Harmanpreet SINGH IND	Yibbi JANSEN NED
2025	Tom BOON BEL	Xan de WAARD NED