

Men's Hockey – FIH 4 Nations Tournament

Belgium take the overall, while Scotland finish in fourth



Day three of the Men's Tournament sorted out the play-off places and the final day sorted out the finishing order.

Against the run of play, Scotland opened the scoring against Argentina late in the first half, but the South American side scored two in the final five minutes to go into the break 2-1. An early third goal in the second half stretched the visitors' lead and then a penalty corner conversion put them 4-1 ahead. Scotland pulled a goal back, but a fifth from Argentina sealed the match. Scotland went on the play England in the third/fourth play-off match and, by dint of better goal difference over England, Argentina went through to the first second place play-off. Where they went on to play Belgium. The Belgians beat England 2-1 in their match to secure their play-off spot against Argentina.

In the Final, Belgium had to take Argentina to a penalty shoot-out in order to secure the title. An early 2-0 lead was reduced to a single goal by Argentina with a reply on the stroke of half time. Another in the 44th minute pulled them level, and no further scoring meant a penalty shoot-out. A 3-0 whitewash to Belgium in the shoot-out meant that they went home with the cup

Scotland lost out 5-1 to England in their match, so finished fourth in the FIH 4 Nations Tournament. 4-0 down at half time, they seemed to have no answer to the superior English side. However, a goal two minutes from time salvaged a bit of pride for Scotland, which was quickly wiped out when England netted their fifth seconds later.

Images from the tournament can now be found [here](#)