Hockey — Scots Players Named in GB Women's Senior Programme

Three Scotland Internationals selected for GB senior women's programme



(Press release courtesy of Scottish Hockey)

Scottish Hockey is delighted to announce that three current Scottish Internationals — Amy Costello, Sarah Robertson and Nicola Cochrane (pictured above) — have been selected for the women's Great Britain Hockey senior programme for the new Olympic cycle working towards Tokyo 2020.

Scotland's Cochrane and Costello enter the programme for the first time, and join Edinburgh University's Robertson in the squad. Robertson joined the programme in 2014 while Costello and Cochrane have emerged as excellent players for club and country. It is a fantastic reward for three of Scotland's most exciting young players.

After winning gold at the Rio Olympics, Danny Kerry has named a 32-woman squad, 15 of which are joining the central programme for the first time, marking a significant injection of new blood to an already hugely successful squad.

Scotland senior women Head Coach Gordon Shepherd said, "I am delighted for Sarah, Amy and Nicki. They absolutely deserve to be in the Great Britain set up. They have shown excellent progress within the Scotland set up and I hope they can push on for selection."

Head coach Danny Kerry said, "Following a number of months of

assessment within our centralised programme we have selected a new initial squad for the Tokyo cycle. We have, I feel, a good depth of skilful, committed, smart, and athletic athletes who are eager to learn, develop and build on the legacy and momentum of the Rio Olympic cycle.

"On a personal level I am excited about the potential that this group. With the prospect of GB defending an Olympic title in Tokyo 2020 the challenges of this cycle are as clear, significant and exciting as ever. I believe this new squad has what it takes to shine again and continue to inspire future generations to play our sport."

Details of the full squad can be found on the <u>Scottish Hockey</u> website