

# Ice hockey – Brooks on target as Britain take gold



Peter Russell guides Great Britain to promotion in the World Championships Photo courtesy of Karl Denham

Fife Flyers star Brendan Brooks scored as Great Britain secured promotion to the World Championship Division 1 Group A with a 4-0 victory over Japan in the SSE Arena in Belfast.

Brooks, a former Braehead Clan forward, slotted home after 24 minutes to make the scoreline 2-0 after Robert Dowd had broken the deadlock seven minutes earlier.

Matthew Myers found the net twice after 29 and 37 minutes and as the home side shutout Japan to secure their first promotion since 1993.

The victory meant Britain ended the tournament with five wins from five following earlier victories over Croatia, Estonia, Lithuania and Netherlands.

And the result is a golden triumph for Great Britain's Scottish-born coach Peter Russell.