

Hockey – Men's EuroHockey Qual. 'D' – Scotland v Gibraltar

After watching Wales knock eight past Switzerland in the first match on Day 1, the crowd were treated to another goal-fest in the second match of Day 1 of the Men's EuroHockey Qualifier 'D' at Uddingston Sports Club.

Scotland and Gibraltar were the teams up for that match and, on paper, Scotland were the overwhelming favourites.



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Right from the off, it was hard to see a result other than a Scotland win as an early, Jamie Golden, goal from a penalty corner, followed up by a second goal from Rob Harwood from open play gave the home side a 2-0 lead at the end of the first quarter.

By the end of the second quarter, it was 6-0 to Scotland.



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Struan Walker score twice – one from a reverse shot and one from a penalty corner – before Harwood scored his second and Walker his third for a hat-trick.

Golden scored in the third quarter from another penalty corner, then scored again in the fourth for his hat-trick, with Harwood securing his hat-trick and Scotland's ninth goal, late on, for 9-0.



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Gibraltar did give a decent account of themselves – and had a goal disallowed – but couldn't find a way past the Scots' defence. They also lost a man to a 10-minute yellow card in the final quarter, which coincided with their most dangerous period of attacking play.

Scotland now face Wales on Day 2, which – unless something goes somewhat awry for either – will be the match that decides who qualifies for a place at the Men's EuroHockey Championships 2023, to be held at the Warsteiner Hockey Park in Monchengladbach.