

Scotland undefeated against Canada

Scotland women's head coach Chris Duncan praised his squad after completing a four-game series against Canada undefeated thanks to a double from Heather McEwan.

Edinburgh-based Duncan (pictured) guided his squad to three wins and a draw against the North American side and said: "One of the biggest signs of development is watching the players problem solve and we're starting to see our philosophy really build on the pitch.

"The youngsters coming into the squad did a really good job and it's great to see the depth in our pathway."

He added: "It is important to give opportunities to the stars of tomorrow and there's a lot of positives to take from the players playing their first games for Scotland.

"Winning is a habit and we're delighted to win three games in a row and come through the series undefeated."

The final game produced a 3-0 victory at Glasgow's National Hockey Centre fast starts by Scotland have been a theme of this series.

The opener came early in the second quarter when a penalty corner routine was converted by McEwan's diving deflection and the home side doubled their lead soon after.

A powerful low pass into the circle found Jika Nyirenda who

slipped the ball first time under the advancing goalkeeper from close range.

Scotland continued to control the contest in the third quarter with Eve Pearson and Jen Eadie dominating the midfield and they were rewarded with a third following a penalty corner which saw McEwan deflect the ball high into the net for her second of the match.