

**2008 NATIONAL WWII TEAM
VIERUMAKI, FINLAND**



ROSTER

- Front Row: Diana Vujovich, Georgia Moore, Lucy Parrington (A), Kristy Bruske, Kaylee White (C), Alexandra Stephan, Kelly Stock, Melinda White, Shona Green
- Second Row: Bob Parrington – Team Leader, Kylie Taylor – Manager, Traci Cummings, Stephanie Newmark, Jemma Scotford, Rylie Padjen, Rachel White, Teresa Moriarty, Tommi Suutari – Assistant Coach
- Back Row: Shane Brown – Physiotherapist, Katherine McOnie, Silvia Luis, Sandy Cameron, Melissa Biiby, Tash Farrier, Kevin Bell – Assistant Coach, Rocky Padjen – Head Coach,



ICE HOCKEY
IIHF World Womens Championship DIV II, WOMEN
ROUND ROBIN



TOURNAMENT PROGRESS

As of 30.03.2008

Game	Group	Date	Time	Teams	Results	1	2	3	OT	GWS	Venue
1		TUE 25	MAR 13:30	PRK - DEN	1 - 5	0 - 2	0 - 2	1 - 1			Vierumaki Ice Rink
2		TUE 25	MAR 17:00	AUS - AUT	2 - 6	0 - 2	2 - 3	0 - 1			Vierumaki Ice Rink
3		TUE 25	MAR 20:30	ITA - NED	3 - 2	1 - 1	0 - 0	1 - 1	0 - 0	1 - 0	Vierumaki Ice Rink
4		WED 26	MAR 13:30	DEN - AUT	2 - 3	0 - 0	0 - 2	2 - 1			Vierumaki Ice Rink
5		WED 26	MAR 17:00	NED - AUS	6 - 2	2 - 0	2 - 0	2 - 2			Vierumaki Ice Rink
6		WED 26	MAR 20:30	ITA - PRK	1 - 6	0 - 2	1 - 1	0 - 3			Vierumaki Ice Rink
7		THU 27	MAR 13:30	DEN - NED	3 - 0	2 - 0	0 - 0	1 - 0			Vierumaki Ice Rink
8		THU 27	MAR 17:00	ITA - AUS	5 - 0	1 - 0	1 - 0	3 - 0			Vierumaki Ice Rink
9		THU 27	MAR 20:30	PRK - AUT	0 - 4	0 - 2	0 - 1	0 - 1			Vierumaki Ice Rink
10		SAT 29	MAR 13:30	NED - PRK	0 - 4	0 - 3	0 - 0	0 - 1			Vierumaki Ice Rink
11		SAT 29	MAR 17:00	AUT - ITA	6 - 4	3 - 0	2 - 2	1 - 2			Vierumaki Ice Rink
12		SAT 29	MAR 20:30	AUS - DEN	1 - 12	0 - 6	1 - 4	0 - 2			Vierumaki Ice Rink
13		SUN 30	MAR 12:00	AUT - NED	3 - 2	2 - 0	0 - 0	1 - 2			Vierumaki Ice Rink
14		SUN 30	MAR 15:30	PRK - AUS	10 - 0	2 - 0	4 - 0	4 - 0			Vierumaki Ice Rink
15		SUN 30	MAR 19:00	DEN - ITA	3 - 2	0 - 1	2 - 0	1 - 1			Vierumaki Ice Rink

Rank	Team	GP	W	OTW	OTL	L	PTS	GDF	GF:GA
1	AUT	5	5	0	0	0	15	12	22: 10
2	DEN	5	4	0	0	1	12	18	25: 7
3	PRK	5	3	0	0	2	9	11	21: 10
4	ITA	5	1	1	0	3	5	-2	15: 17
5	NED	5	1	0	1	3	4	-5	10: 15
6	AUS	5	0	0	0	5	0	-34	5: 39

Rank is based on points. For tie-break rules see "Competition Format and Rules".

LEGEND									
1	1st period	2	2nd period	3	3rd period	GA	Goals against	GF	Goals for
GP	Games played	GWS	Game winning shot	L	Losses regular time	OT	Overtime	PTS	Points
T	Ties	W	Wins regular time (3 pts)	OTW	Overtime wins (2 pts)	OTL	Overtime losses (1 pt)	GDF	Goal difference

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SCORING LEADERS

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Including Game 15

(Ranked by highest PTS/ highest G/ lowest GP)

R	Name	No	Team	Pos	GP	G	A	PTS	PIM	+/-
1	ALTMANN Denise	22	AUT	F	5	10	5	15	8	+9
2	HENRIKSEN Marie Linander	15	DEN	F	5	8	6	14	0	+10
3	JAKOBSEN Josefine	5	DEN	F	5	6	7	13	2	+10
4	SCHWARZLER Eva	16	AUT	F	5	6	5	11	8	+7
5	KANTOR Esther	23	AUT	F	5	2	8	10	2	+7
6	RI Sol Gyong	8	PRK	F	5	4	5	9	4	+8
7	OESTERGAARD Henriette Funch	17	DEN	F	5	3	6	9	2	+8
8	ADMIRAL Saskia	12	NED	F	5	4	1	5	4	+3
8	CHOE Kum Son	17	PRK	D	5	4	1	5	6	+5
8	OLAUSSEN Sidsel Maria B T	18	DEN	F	5	4	1	5	2	+4
11	BAZZANELLA Evelyn	12	ITA	F	5	3	2	5	0	+2
12	RYU Hyonmi	21	PRK	F	5	4	0	4	0	+6
13	O Chol Ok	9	PRK	F	5	3	1	4	4	+6
13	VIEL Sabrina	23	ITA	F	5	3	1	4	2	-2
13	ZANDEGIACOMO MASTROTOFOLO Federica	22	ITA	F	5	3	1	4	6	-3
16	BETTARINI Valentina	9	ITA	D	5	1	3	4	12	0
16	BOELHOUWERS Lieke	7	NED	F	5	1	3	4	6	+2
16	de la FOREST de DIVONNE Anna	10	ITA	F	5	1	3	4	2	+2
16	DENSING Charlotte	22	DEN	D	5	1	3	4	4	+10
20	MELBY Simone Jacquet	23	DEN	D	5	0	4	4	0	+9
21	PARRINGTON Lucy	14	AUS	F	5	3	0	3	6	-5
22	SCHIPPER Jose	5	NED	F	5	2	1	3	8	-3
23	JANACH Katharina	17	AUT	F	5	1	2	3	2	+2
23	KIM Sun Im	15	PRK	F	5	1	2	3	2	-2
25	WIELENGA Savine	8	NED	F	5	0	3	3	4	0
26	KIM Sok Hwa	11	PRK	F	4	2	0	2	4	-1
27	ELDERHORST Natalie	9	NED	D	5	2	0	2	12	-1
28	CLAUSEN Anne Sofie	12	DEN	F	5	1	1	2	2	+2
28	KIM Hyang Ran	7	PRK	D	5	1	1	2	0	+1
28	KIM In Hwa	16	PRK	F	5	1	1	2	6	+5
28	STOCK Kelly	24	AUS	F	5	1	1	2	2	-11

LEGEND	
A	Assists
G	Goals
Pos	Position
+/-	Net result of positive and negative participation
D	Defence
GP	Number of games played
PTS	Points
F	Forward
PIM	Penalties in minutes
R	Rank

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IHA'S National Women's Team Falters At World Championships Vierumäki, Finland

IHA's National Women's Team arrived at their Finland Training Camp in Kisakallio, Finland on 12th March 2008 for their final preparation for the IIHF 2008 World Women's Division II Championship in Vierumäki Finland.

A two hour on-ice training was scheduled for the following morning. Later in the day the Team travelled in to Lohja KV. This was a hard game for the Aussies who went down 6 - 0. Coach Padjen stated:- We were no means embarrassed by the score as we are still in the preparation stage for the Championship. The next day the team travelled the 2 hour trip to the IIHF 2008 WWC Division II home base in Vierumäki.

Australia's first game against the expected tough opponent Austria proved Australia was up to the pace for this division. Unfortunately the Aussies went down 2 - 0 midway through the first period and 3 - 0 in the second on three shorthanded goals. Australia's Kelly Stock drew Australia back to 3 - 1. Australia continued to recover when Lucy Parrington scored from short range to the goalie's right to make it 3 - 2.

Australia started to upset the Austrian team but a fourth goal scored on a power play late in the second period steadied the European team for two more goals in the third and a final score of 6 - 2. Shots on goal were 45 for Austria and 35 for Australia.

Game 2 saw the Netherlands against the Aussies in a very important game in terms of medal consideration. The Aussie players found themselves down 2 - 0 on two soft goals after 3 minutes of play. Australia was playing some good hockey but were unfortunate to go further down to complete the second period at 4 - 0 deficit.

The third period saw the Aussie coaches make some line adjustments after going further behind to another early third period goal. Despite the lapses Australia was playing well, Australia's Lucy Parrington scored less than a minute later on an assist by Tash Farrier.

A further 4 minutes of Australian domination saw Australia reduce the lead to 5 - 2 on Lucy Parrington's second goal on assists by Melissa Bibby and Tash Farrier. The game continued with Australia out-playing the Netherlands. A late goal by the Netherlands ended the game 6 - 2 in favour of the Netherlands.

Australia next game is against 2007 2nd ranked Italy.

National Women's Team Complete Pre-Championship Camp

IHA's 2008 National Women's Team travelled to Edmonton for their 5th exhibition game with hosts St. Albert Slash AAA Midget Team. The game was televised on CTV and Global TV.

Once again the opposition provided a high a high level of competition for Team Australia. Only, this time it was Team Australia that came out flying and were up 1 - 0 at the 10 minute mark through a slap shot goal from the point by Captain, Kaylee White. Lucy Parrington and Rylie Padjen assisted on the goal. This was the first time the Aussie coaches had decided to try their power play lines and this goal was a sure sign that the side is starting to knit together. St. Albert got the equaliser at the 13 minute mark. By the end of the first period, Australia was up 2 - 1 with a well-worked goal from Rylie Padjen, assisted by Rachel White and Lucy Parrington.

The second period continued at high intensity with St. Albert scoring at the 8 minute mark to equal the game 2 - 2 and remained that way for the period.

This being their 5th game, the Australian Team was clearly playing more cohesive hockey. The game continued to be a very evenly fought contest with both sides creating good scoring opportunities. St. Albert's No-3, Sarah Forbes, found the net with 1 minute 10 seconds left on the clock to give the Slash a 3- 2 lead. From this point on, Team Australia upped the intensity to get the equaliser. Although they created several good chances, it was No-20, Jennifer

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Matichuk, of the Slash, who slipped in to score the clincher with only 16 seconds left in the game.

After the game Coach Padjen stated:- "We were well tested in this game by a well drilled opposition. The Slash gave us the final opportunity to gain the added knowledge on individual and team play that we will require at the World Championships next week. After the five exhibition games and trainings here in Alberta, we are even more confident of success at the Championships. On behalf of the team and Ice Hockey Australia we express our gratitude to our Alberta hosts in assisting us with the Team's preparation and training camp."

National Women's Team Stumble to St. Albert Slash AAA Team

St. Albert Slash AAA Team travelled to Sundre, Alberta for their first of a two game series against IHA's National Women's Team and recorded a 4 - 3 win for the host team, the Australian National Women's Team.

The Slash provided a high tempo early in the game scoring three goals against the Aussies in the first period. The Aussies were unable to counter and the score after one period was 3 - 0 Slash.

In the second period, Lucy Parrington opened the account for Team Australia with a shot low to the goalie's left. Speedster, Tash Farrier, notched Team Australia's second goal after "picking the pocket" of a St. Albert player. The second period ended 3 - 2 with Australia dominating for most of the period.

The third period started with St. Albert camped deep in the Australian defensive zone, gaining a number of scoring chances from the wet (slow) ice surface just behind the Aussie net. After what seemed a lengthy run of play, Team Australia slowly regained the ascendancy and Tash Farrier notched her second goal for the game with a shot high to the corner of the net past the St. Albert goalie's right shoulder. Australia continued to chase the equaliser but the Slash managed to stave off the Aussies with an end-of-game score of 4 - 3 in favour of St. Albert. Coach Padjen stated:- "This was a good test for our team. The girls showed good recovery and determination after being down three goals and especially after playing their fourth game in as many days."

National Women's Team Gaining Momentum in Canada

After their first encounter with home host team the Sundre All-stars, IHA's National Women's Team settled in to their training routines and increasing test against some stiffer Alberta competition.

On Thursday the 13th March 2008 the team travelled to Calgary to play their second game in successive days against Mount Royal College, a the top team in the Canadian University League. Mount Royal was a good test for the Aussies as they emulated the type of play and strength the Aussies are expecting at the IIHF 2008 World Division II Women's Championship in Vierumäki, Finland. Mount Royal had played China's National Olympic Women's Team earlier in 2008 in a three game tournament and beaten them 2 games to 1.

The first period was full on with Mount Royal taking the lead 3 -1. Tash Farrier scored for Australia. Australia came out strongly in the second period playing some very controlled hockey with Australian "speed demon" Tash Farrier scoring Australia's second goal of the game narrowing the gap 3 - 2. Mount Royal retaliated to again take a two goal lead of 4 - 2. Australia's Georgia Moore found the net late in the second to keep Australia within one goal and a score of 4 - 3. Mount Royal maintained pressure scoring a late goal in the third for a 5 - 3 win.

Team Coach, Rocky Padjen stated:- "This game was a great test for our girls. The game showed the stamina of the girls after traveling the long distance to Sundre and playing two back-to-back games after all the hype of arriving in Sundre. The girls were rewarded for the many hours of strength and conditioning training they had to endure for preparing for this level of competition. It also gave us a good opportunity to access our lines."

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The Aussies next encounter was against the Calgary Junior Comets, a AA team in the Alberta Tier 1 Women's League. Coaches Padjen and Bell changed the lines to assess some options. Australia came out of the traps quickly scoring their first goal with Tash Farrier hitting the twine in the first two minutes of play through a setup from Kath McOnie and Melissa Bibby. The Comets took advantage of an Aussie defensive error and replied 20 seconds later to take the game to 1 - 1. The teams battled back and forth with the first period ending with the Aussies on top 4 - 3. Australia took control in the second period with some strong possession to increase their lead 6 - 3. Late in the period they struck again with a short-handed goal to increase their lead to 7 - 3. The third period took a twist with the Comets piling on the pressure and some tired looking errors in the Aussie defensive zone. Team Australia steadied for the last few minutes eventually winning the game 9 - 7. Scorers for Australia were Tash Farrier for 3, Lucy Parrington for 2, Diana Vujovich, Kelly Stock, Rylie Padjen and Kaylee White one each.

Australia prepares for their fourth game of their exhibition series when they host the St. Albert Slash, a AAA team from the Edmonton area on Sunday evening, the 16th March 2008 in Sundre. The Aussies will then reciprocate travelling to St. Albert on Monday, the 17th March 2008.

National Women's Team Pre-Championship Training Camp - Sundre, Alberta



IHA's NWT-2008 arrived at their host town Sundre, Alberta to a civic reception and dinner after a long flight from Australia. Mayor, Roy Cummings, father of NWT Player, Tracy Cummings, welcomed the team. The reception included local dignitaries being Senior Local Councillors, Country Councillors, Provincial Members and the incoming Federal MP.

Australia's Team Chef de Mission, Bob Parrington, stated: "The best way to describe our welcome is to say, without exception, we were treated like royalty. People have been calling the mayor to ask if there is anything else they can do for us. Outstanding!"

On Wednesday the 12th March, the team played their first exhibition game before a "sell out" crowd. Although still becoming attuned to playing at a higher altitude, and this being their first game together, the team gave a strong performance against a local All Star team with Australia coming out on top 11 - 2.

The team has now moved on to a tighter team environment in preparation for their next game against the Mt Royal College AAA Team in Calgary.

Team Roster: Kristy Bruske (GK), Stefan Alexandra (GK), Melissa Bibby (F), Sandra Cameron (F), Traci Cummings (F), Natasha Farrier (F), Shona Green (F), Silvia Luis (D), Katherine McOnie (F), Georgia Moore (D), Teresa Moriarty (D), Stephanie Newmark (D), Rylie Padjen (F), Lucy Parrington (F), Jemma Scotford (D), Kelly Stock (F), Diana Vujovich (F), Kaylee White (D), Melinda White (F), Rachael White (F).

Team Officials: Bob Parrington - Team Chef de Mission
Kylie Taylor - Team Manager
Rocky Padjen - Team Coach
Kevin Bell - Assistant Team Coach
Shane Brown - Physiotherapist

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Australian 2008 Womens Ice Hockey Team off to World Championships



The blades have been sharpened, the facemasks strengthened, and the last dry land session worked as the Australian National Women's Team prepares to depart for Canada and a 10-day Alberta-based training camp prior to the Women's World Championships in Finland from 25-31 March.

The 20-strong team of players from VIC, WA, ACT, NSW, QLD and SA flies from Sydney 10 March, hoping to return with not only a medal, but advancement in its quest to make the 2010 Winter Olympics.

Four Canadian-born skaters have become Australian citizens to play in the green and gold, originally hailing from Toronto, Ottawa and the western provinces of Manitoba and Alberta.

The NWT have made enormous strides on the ice against national teams with much greater depth and talent, and much better facilities, and these World Championships with nations such as Denmark, Austria, Italy, Holland and North Korea will be a real test of character.



The 10-day training camp in Albert, Canada will be the last chance to iron out any last-minute issues. The NWT will be on the ice every day - often twice a day - and will be playing exhibition matches against local and provincial teams to get the girls game hardened.



The NWT will be based in Sundre, Alberta - about 130 kilometres northwest of Calgary at the foothills of the Rocky Mountains. The community of Sundre has opened its arms to the Aussies who will arrive 10 March to settle into their billets' homes before getting on the ice.

The NWT then departs Calgary for Finland where they'll spend 4 days at Kisakallio Sports Institute in Helsinki to acclimatise before heading to Vierumäki for the start of the World Championships from 25 March.