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NOTES: November 1, 2023

THIS WEEK'S ACTION

#14 Penn State (9-7, 4-4 B1G)
at the 2023 Big Ten Tournament
Ann Arbor, Mich.
Thursday-Sunday, Nov. 2-5
Game 1 vs. #11 Ohio State (13-5, 4-4 B1G)
 Thursday, Nov. 2, 11 a.m.

2023 SCHEDULE

AUGUST

Fri.	25	at #6 Virginia	L, 1-2
Sun.	27	at American	W, 3-2 (ot)

SEPTEMBER

Fri.	1	at California	L, 2-3 (2 ot)
Sun.	3	at Stanford	W, 5-1
Fri.	8	KENT STATE	W, 5-0
Sun.	10	#19 DELAWARE	W, 4-1
Fri.	15	#10 RUTGERS*	L, 0-1 (2 ot)
Sun.	17	BUCKNELL	W, 2-1
Sun.	24	#10 SYRACUSE	L, 1-2

OCTOBER

Sun.	1	at #8 Maryland* (B1G Net.)	L, 2-4
Fri.	6	#7 OHIO STATE*	W, 2-1
Fri.	13	at Michigan State*	W, 4-0
Sun.	15	at #16 Michigan* (B1G Net.)	L, 1-2
Fri.	20	#1 NORTHWESTERN*	L, 0-2
Sun.	22	#5 IOWA*	W, 2-1
Fri.	27	at Indiana*	W, 3-1

NOVEMBER

Th.-Sn.	2-5	Big Ten Tournament Ann Arbor, Mich.
	Th. 2	vs. #11 Ohio State 11 a.m.
	Fri. 3	Semifinals (B1G Net.) 1 p.m.
	Sun. 5	Championship (B1G Net.) 12 p.m.
F.-Sn.	10-12	NCAA Rds. 1+2, sites TBA
F.-Sn.	17-19	NCAA Semis and Final Chapel Hill, N.C.

* Big Ten Game -- Home Games in BOLD CAPS
 ALL TIMES EASTERN

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

(# listed is seed, not ranking)

Thursday, Nov. 2

G1: #4 Penn State vs. #5 Ohio State, 11 a.m.
 G2: #7 Michigan vs. #2 Rutgers, 2 p.m.
 G3: #6 Iowa vs. #3 Maryland, 5 p.m.

Friday, Nov. 3

Semi 1: #1 Northwestern vs. #4/#5 winner, 1 p.m. (B1G Net.)
 Semi 2: #3/#6 winner vs. #2/#7 winner, 3:30 p.m. (B1G Net.)

Sunday, Nov. 5

Championship Game, semifinal winners, 12 p.m. (B1G Net.)

THIS WEEK

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. -- The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (9-7, 4-4 B1G), ranked No. 14 in the nation, will head to Ann Arbor, Mich., for the 2023 Big Ten Tournament. The four-day event will be hosted by the University of Michigan and begins with three first-round games on Thursday, Nov. 2.

Penn State finished in a three-way tie for fourth in the B1G standings and will be the 4th-seed. The Nittany Lions face No. 11 Ohio State (13-5, 4-4 B1G), the 5th-seed, in the first quarterfinal game of the event, Thursday at 11 a.m. The Big Ten semifinals on Friday and the title game on Sunday will air on the Big Ten Network. The quarterfinals stream on B1G+.

Penn State is coming off a 3-1 win at Indiana last Friday. The Nittany Lions were led by Sophia Gladieux and Mackenzie Alessie, who accounted for Penn State's three goals in the game.

The Nittany Lions are being led by Gladieux's 42 points off a team-best 20 goals and two assists. Mackenzie Alessie has 21 off eight and five while Carly Gannon has 11 off four and three. Keeper Brie Barraco has 93 saves, a .795 percentage and two shutouts this season.

Ohio State enters the game off a long break, having last played on Oct. 22 when the Buckeyes downed Bellarmine 7-0. Ohio State has not played a Big Ten foe since Oct. 15. Penn State won the regular season meeting between the two, a hard-fought 2-1 victory at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex.

The winner of the Ohio State/Penn State game will face No. 1 Northwestern in the semifinals on Friday at 1 p.m. The Big Ten Tournament championship game is set for 12 p.m. on Sunday, Nov. 5. The field of 18 teams for the 2023 NCAA Field Hockey Championship tournament will be revealed live on Sunday, Nov. 5, at 10 p.m. on NCAA.com.

Fans are encouraged to follow the Nittany Lion field hockey team online at www.GoPSUsports.com (click teams, click field hockey), on X/twitter @pennstateFH and on facebook at www.facebook.com/pennstatefieldhockey.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	University Park, Pa.
Founded	1855
Enrollment	47,261
Colors	Blue and White
Conference	Big Ten
Nickname	Nittany Lions
President	Dr. Neeli Bendapudi
Vice President of ICA	Dr. Patrick Kraft
Home Field	Penn State Field Hockey Complex (500)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Lisa Bervinchak Love (Penn State, 1989)
Career Record/Years	0-0/1st year
Record at Penn State/Years	0-0/1st year
Associate Head Coach	Laura Gebhart (Penn State, 2015)
Assistant Coaches	Ayla Halus-Johnson (Penn State, 2013) Amanda Dinunzio (Penn State, 2015)

TEAM INFORMATION

2022 Record	17-4
2022 Big Ten Record	7-1
2022 Big Ten Tournament	0-1
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	18/7
Starters Returning/Lost	7/4
Newcomers	5
All-Time Record	743-297-37
All-Time Big Ten Record	145-66-1
All-Time Big Ten Tournament Record	34-22
NCAA Tournament Appearances	35
NCAA Tournament Record	27-39
NCAA Semifinal Appearances	8
NCAA Championship Game Appearances	2
Last NCAA Tournament Appearance	2022

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NITTANY LIONS CLAIM 4-SEED AT B1GS WITH 3-1 WIN AT INDIANA IN REGULAR SEASON FINALE

Penn State clinched the 4th-seed at the 2023 Big Ten Tournament with a hard-fought 3-1 win at Indiana in the regular season finale for the Nittany Lions. Phia Gladieux netted two goals and Mackenzie Alessie connected on a penalty stroke to lead Penn State. The win gave Penn State a 9-7 record overall and a 4-4 mark in Big Ten games, tied with Ohio State and Iowa. The Nittany Lions won the tie-breaker and earned the 4th-seed at B1Gs.

GLADIEUX SCORES TWICE TO LEAD LIONS TO 2-1 WIN OVER #5 IOWA; EARNS BIG TEN AND NFHCA OFFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS

Senior Phia Gladieux scored both of Penn State's goals, one in the second and one in the third, to lift the Nittany Lions to a 2-1 win over No. 5 Iowa in the home finale for Penn State. The Nittany Lions trailed 1-0 after a first period Iowa goal but strong defense and 11 saves from keeper Brie Barraco gave Gladieux and the Lion offense time to work towards the comeback victory. Gladieux was named Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week for her efforts.

BRIE BARRACO COLLECTS CAREER-HIGH 12 SAVES IN TOUGH LOSS AT #16 MICHIGAN

Graduate student Brie Barraco collected a career high 12 saves against a flurry of 23 Michigan shots at No. 16 Michigan on Sunday, Oct. 15. Barraco kept Penn State in the game in a tough 2-1 loss in Ann Arbor.

NITTANY LIONS SHUT OUT MICHIGAN STATE

The Penn State Nittany Lions rolled to a 4-0 shut out victory at Michigan State on Friday, Oct. 13. Brie Barraco netted the shut out in goal while Phia Gladieux netted two goals in the win.

PENN STATE DOWNS #7 OHIO STATE 2-1

Phia Gladieux and Mackenzie Alessie each had three points (a goal and an assist each) and Anouk Knuvers and Brie Barraco anchored the Nittany Lion defense in a key Big Ten win over Ohio State on Oct. 6. The Nittany Lions broke open a 0-0 game in the second half with two goals to secure the home win, the first Big Ten win for head coach Lisa Bervinchak Love.

ANOUK KNUVERS NAMED B1G DEFENSIVE PLAYER OF THE WEEK (10/9)

Junior back Anouk Knuvers was named the Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week for the week ending Oct. 8, 2023. Knuvers anchored the Penn State defense in a 2-1 win over No. 7 Ohio State on Oct. 6. She tallied numerous blocks in the game as the Lions picked up their first conference win of the season.

LATE RALLY FALLS SHORT AT #8 MARYLAND

Penn State rallied late at No. 8 Maryland on Oct. 1 in a Big Ten battle, but ran out of time in a 4-2 loss to the Terrapins. Phia Gladieux and Carly Gannon each scored for Penn State. Brie Barraco had eight saves in the game as well.

2023 BIG TEN STANDINGS (as of 10/30/23)

#	Team	B1G	.pct	Overall	.pct
1	Northwestern	8-0	1.000	16-1	.941
2	Rutgers	6-2	.750	15-2	.882
	Maryland	6-2	.857	14-4	.778
4	Penn State	4-4	.500	9-7	.562
	Ohio State	4-4	.500	13-5	.722
	Iowa	4-4	.500	13-4	.765
7	Michigan	3-5	.375	9-7	.562
8	Michigan State	1-7	.125	3-12	.200
9	Indiana	0-8	.000	5-13	.278

NFHCA COACHES POLL (10/31/23)

Rk.	Team
1	Northwestern
2	North Carolina
3	Duke
4	Virginia
5	Rutgers
6	Liberty
7	Iowa
8	Maryland
9	Harvard
10	Louisville
11	Ohio State
12	Syracuse
13	Boston College
14	PENN STATE
15	St. Joseph's
16	Michigan
17	Cornell
18	UMass-Lowell
19	Albany
20	UMass

PRONUNCIATIONS

Brie Barraco -- bree bah-RAH-co
Elise DeWan -- dee-WAHN
Phia Gladieux -- PHEE-ah GLAD-ee-oh
Ella Jennes -- ell-ah JENN-ess
Anouk Knuvers -- ah-NEWK kah-NEW-vehrs
Gery Schnarrs -- JERRY SHNAHRS
Hannah Schreckengaust -- SHRECK-ehn-gaust
Julienne van Bekkum -- BECK-uhm

LIONS DROP TOUGH 2-1 GAME TO #10 SYRACUSE

Penn State dropped a hard-fought 2-1 game to No. 10 Syracuse on Sunday, Sept. 24, at the Field Hockey Complex in a game played during a steady rain. Phia Gladieux notched Penn State's lone goal in the third period while keeper Brie Barraco kept the Nittany Lions close with eight saves in goal.

NITTANY LIONS DOWN BUCKNELL 2-1

Mackenzie Allesie scored on a penalty stroke, Sophia Gladieux added a backhand rocket and Brie Barraco tallied three saves to lead Penn State to a tough 2-1 win over visiting Bucknell on Sunday, Sept. 17. The non-conference game was played in a steady rain at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex.

LIONS DROP 2-OT THRILLER TO #10 RUTGERS

Penn State dropped a hard-fought 1-0 double overtime thriller to No. 10 Rutgers on Friday, Sept. 15, in the conference opener for both teams. Penn State managed 17 shots and faced 16 and each goalie (PSU's Brie Barraco and RU's Sophia Howard) had seven saves a piece. But Rutgers found the back of the cage two minutes into extra time to get the win.

PHIA GLADIEUX'S HAT TRICK LEADS LIONS TO 4-1 IN OVER #19 DELAWARE

Phia Gladieux tallied her first hat trick of the season, scoring three goals to lead Penn State to a 4-1 victory over No. 19 Delaware on Sept. 10 at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex. Gladieux was joined in the scoring column by Aubrey Semler, who scored her first career goal in the victory.

BALANCED OFFENSE, STRONG DEFENSE LEADS PENN STATE TO 5-0 WIN OVER KENT STATE

Penn State had four different players pick up multiple points and a total of five involved in scoring plays, and had a defense that recorded its first shutout, as the Nittany Lions downed Kent State 5-0 in the team's home opener on Sept. 9. Mackenzie Allesie had two goals, Phia Gladieux had a goal and an assist, Carly Gannon had a goal and an assist, Sophia Mannino had a goal and an assist, and Natalie Freeman had an assist. Brie Barraco and Lauren Delgado combined for the team's first shutout and Penn State held KSU to only two shots.

CARLY GANNON TALLIES SIX POINTS; GLADIEUX SCORES TWICE IN WIN AT STANFORD

Senior Carly Gannon had a career-best six points in Penn State's 5-1 win at Stanford on Sept. 3. Gannon had two goals and two assists in the non-conference victory. Phia Gladieux also had two goals in the win while keeper Lauren Delgado had five saves in her 15 minutes during the fourth period.

PHIA GLADIEUX SCORES TWICE IN TOUGH ROAD LOSS AT CAL

Senior Phia Gladieux scored both of Penn State's goals in a hard-fought 3-2 double-overtime loss at Cal on Sept. 1. The game was the first of two during a weekend West Coast Road sing for the Nittany Lions.

ALLESSIE SPARKS PENN STATE TO 3-2 OVERTIME WIN AT AMERICAN

Mackenzie Allesie scored the game's final two goals to spark Penn State to a 3-2 come-from-behind win at American on Aug. 27. Allesie's goals helped Penn State erase an early 2-0 deficit to the Eagles. Sophia Gladieux had the other goal for Penn State in the win.

B1G & NCAA STAT LEADERS

INDIV. (B1G OFF. TOP 10, GK TOP 3, NCAA TOP 20)

MACKENZIE ALLESSIE

B1G
* 9th in points per game (1.31)

BRIE BARRACO

B1G
* 1st in saves per game (5.93)

NCAA

* 6th in save percentage (.795)
* 16th in saves per game (5.81)

PHIA GLADIEUX

B1G
* 2nd in goals (20)
* 2nd in goals per game (1.25)
* 2nd in game winning goals avg. (.375)
* 2nd in points per game (2.63)

NCAA

* 3rd in goals per game (1.25)
* 4th in points per game (2.62)

TEAM (B1G TOP 3, NCAA TOP 20)

B1G
1st in total saves (108)
1st in saves per game (6.31)
2nd in save percentage (.808)

NCAA

* 5th in save percentage (.808)
* 15th in saves per game (6.31)

HONORS WON (2023)

MACKENZIE ALLESSIE

Big Ten Watch List
NFHCA Watch List
Team Captain

BRIE BARRACO

Big Ten Watch List
NFHCA Watch List
Team Captain

CARLY GANNON

Team Captain

PHIA GLADIEUX

Big Ten Watch List
NFHCA Watch List
Big Ten Offensive Player of the Week (10/23)
NFHCA National Offensive Player of the Week (10/25)

ANOUK KNUVERS

Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week (10/9)



LIONS DROP SEASON OPENER AT #6 VIRGINIA

Penn State lost a hard-fought 2-1 game to #6 Virginia in the season opener for both teams on Aug. 25. Freshman Natalie Freeman scored her first career goal to start the game but the Cavaliers scored the game's final two goals to grab the win.

ALLESSIE, BARRACO, GANNON VOTED TEAM CAPTAINS

Seniors Mackenzie Allessie, Brie Barraco and Carly Gannon have been named team captains for the 2023 season. The tri-captains were voted on by their teammates.

ALLESSIE, BARRACO, GLADIEUX NAMED NFHCA PLAYERS TO WATCH LIST

Seniors Mackenzie Allessie, Brie Barraco and Phia Gladieux have been named to the National Field Hockey Coaches Association's Players to Watch List.

ALLESSIE, BARRACO, GLADIEUX NAMED TO BIG TEN WATCH LIST

Seniors Mackenzie Allessie, Brie Barraco and Phia Gladieux have been named to the Big Ten Preseason Watch List.

RECORD WATCH:

Career Goals:

- 1: Candy Finn (78-81) -- 90
- 2: Christine McGinley (90-93) -- 86
- 3: Kelsey Amy (09-12) -- 76
- 4: **PHIA GLADIEUX (20-Prsnt.) -- 73**

Career Points:

- 1: Candy Finn (78-81) -- 196 (90, 16)
- 2: Christine McGinley (90-93) 00 180 (86, 8)
- 3: Kelsey Amy (09-12) -- 176 (76, 24)
- 4: Maegan Galie (97-00) -- 157 (55, 47)
- 5: **PHIA GLADIEUX (20-Prsnt.) -- 155 (73, 9)**

Saves (since 1975):

- 1: Michele Monahan (83-86) -- 588
- 2: Shelly Meister (92-95) -- 544
- 3: Michele Brenna (88-91) -- 465
- 4: Jamie Smith (95-98) -- 447
- 5: **BRIE BARRACO (19-Prsnt) -- 443**



LISA BERVINCHAK LOVE
 1ST SEASON-HEAD COACH
 30TH SEASON-OVERALL
 (Penn State, 1989)

Penn State Vice President for Intercollegiate Athletics Dr. Pat Kraft named Lisa Bervinchak Love the head coach of Penn State's storied field hockey program on February 20, 2023. Bervinchak Love, the long-time associate head coach for the recently retired Char Morett-Curtiss, became the sixth head coach in school history.

Bervinchak Love will begin her first season as the head coach in what will be her 30th year on the Penn State staff. She began her Penn State coaching career in 1994, joining Morett-Curtiss' staff as an assistant coach, was eventually promoted to associate head coach, and has remained a fixture in the Penn State community since.

"We are excited to have Lisa take over the reins of the Penn State field hockey program," said Kraft. "Lisa has been a huge part of the program's success for the last 29 years, working alongside the legendary Char Morett-Curtiss. Lisa's fingerprints are all over this program and she is more than ready to take on the challenge of being a head coach. Her love for Penn State, this program and these student-athletes is evident when you talk to her and her passion shines through in every aspect of her coaching."

"I am truly blessed and honored to be the next head coach for Penn State Field Hockey," said Bervinchak Love. "I want to thank Pat Kraft for giving me this opportunity and Char for all her support, mentoring and the friendship she has given me over the years. Char has been the heart and soul of this program for a long time, and I am truly grateful to have been by her side for 29 of those years. I will do my best to honor Char's legacy and the traditions of Penn State Field Hockey. We will continue to play with heart and strive to be the best both on and off the field. We Are!"

During Bervinchak Love's time on the Penn State staff, the Nittany Lion program cemented itself as a national powerhouse. Since her arrival as an assistant coach, Penn State has achieved national success:

- * 23 NCAA appearances
- * 3 trips to the national semifinals
- * 2 trip to the NCAA title game
- * Seven Big Ten Regular-Season Championships
- * Six Big Ten Tournament Championships

Penn State's student-athletes have achieved heralded success during Bervinchak Love's tenure as an assistant:

- * 30 NFHCA first-team All-Americans
- * 31 second team All-Americans
- * 25 third team All-Americans
- * 70 first-team All-Big Ten selections
- * 6 Big Ten Players of the Year
- * 9 Big Ten Offensive Players of the Year
- * 9 Big Ten Defensive Players of the Year
- * Over 300 Academic All-Big Ten selections
- * Nearly 300 NFHCA National All-Academic honorees

"When I returned to Penn State in 1987 Lisa was a talented right wing," said former head coach Char Morett-Curtiss upon her retirement in February of 2023. "She could weave through a defense with skill and speed and make it look easy. More importantly she displayed a love for the game, a fierce competitive spirit, a motivational work ethic and was highly respected by her teammates. She became a humble captain her senior year and a first-team All-American."

"A few years later, searching for an assistant in 1993, I reached out to Lisa," Morett-Curtiss continued. "She always embodied the traditions, values, and pride of Penn State Field Hockey as a player and alum and I knew that she would be an outstanding coach. Twenty-nine years, as a leader by my side, she has exceeded those expectations and has become a coach who has led Penn State to years of consistent success in the classroom and on the field. She values every aspect of a player's collegiate life, coaches with a keen knowledge of the game, and an understanding to prepare weekly for game day decisions and success. Lisa is a proud representative of Penn State University, who is highly respected in the coaching community and amongst her coaching peers on campus. Our years together were successful, fun and special. With Lisa at the helm, Penn State Field Hockey is primed for success."

As a player, Bervinchak Love played three years at Penn State after transferring from Villanova at the conclusion of her freshman year. A three-year letterwinner (1986-88), Bervinchak Love earned a lengthy list of honors during her playing career:

- * First-team NFHCA All-American
- * First-team All-Atlantic 10
- * Atlantic-10 All-Tournament Team
- * Atlantic-10 Player of the Week
- * 28 career goals in three seasons at Penn State
- * Team captain as a senior

Following her graduation from Penn State in 1989, Bervinchak Love continued to play field hockey at the national level. In 1991, she helped guide her team to a Silver Medal at the Olympic Sports Festival in Los Angeles. Bervinchak Love graduated from Penn State with a degree in health policy and administration. She began her professional career as an elementary school teacher in Penn Manor School District and assisted head coaches in field hockey and basketball. She continued teaching in a number of elementary schools before coming to Penn State as an assistant coach.

She is married to Steve Love, a Penn State alum and senior graphic designer in Penn State Athletics. They have two daughters, Taylor and Kelsey (a junior on this year's Nittany Lion team).

Penn State Athletics chose to advance classes as though 2020-21 was a normal year of eligibility. Student-athletes who were listed as redshirt freshmen in 2021-22 did not officially redshirt in 2020-21, but would have in any other normal year. Extra years of eligibility will be marked on the back end of student-athletes' career (a "+" symbol will be added on the end of "Sr." to indicate the extra year of eligibility being used).

NUMERICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	EL	Hometown/High School
1	Natalie Freeman	M/F	Fr.	Ellicott City, Md./Garrison Forest School
2	Mackenzie Allesie	M	Sr.+	Mount Joy, Pa./Donegal
3	Phia Gladieux	F	Sr.	Boyertown, Pa./Oley Valley
4	Madison Tambroni	M	So.	State College, Pa./State College
5	Carly Gannon	F/M	Sr.	Havertown, Pa./Haverford
7	Julia Lamb	F/M	Jr.	Phoenixville, Pa./Owen J. Roberts
9	Morgan McMenamin	F	So.	Lafayette Hill, Pa./The Episcopal Academy
10	Julienne van Bekkum	B	Gr.	Best, The Netherlands/Heerbeek
11	Madison Britton	M/D	Fr.	West Grove, Pa./Avon Grove
12	Brie Barraco	GK	Gr.	Allentown, Pa./Parkland
14	Lauren Delgado	GK	Gr.	East Earl, Pa./Garden Spot
15	Aubrey Semler	F	So.	Orefield, Pa./Parkland
16	Elise DeWan	D	Fr.	Collegeville, Pa./Methacton
17	Ella Jennes	F/M	So.	Aerdenhout, The Netherlands/Coornert Lyceum
20	Anouk Knuvers	B	Jr.	's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands/Stedelijk
21	Caroline Myers	F	Jr.	Hartland, Wis./Arrowhead
22	Emmy McCully	F/M	Fr.	Hummelstown, Pa./Lower Dauphin
26	Gery Schnarrs	B	Sr.	Camp Hill, Pa./East Pennsboro
27	Drew Taylor	F/M	Jr.	Coatesville, Pa./Coatesville
30	Emily Bullard	GK	So.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East
31	Hannah Schreckengaust	D	Fr.	San Marcos, Calif./San Marcos
33	Kelsey Love	B	Gr.	State College, Pa./State College
34	Sofia Acosta	B	So.	Malvern, Pa./The Episcopal Academy
42	Sophia Mannino	M	Jr.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East

ALPHABETICAL

No.	Name	Pos.	EL	Hometown/High School
34	Sofia Acosta	B	So.	Malvern, Pa./The Episcopal Academy
2	Mackenzie Allesie	M	Sr.+	Mount Joy, Pa./Donegal
12	Brie Barraco	GK	Gr.	Allentown, Pa./Parkland
11	Madison Britton	M/D	Fr.	West Grove, Pa./Avon Grove
30	Emily Bullard	GK	So.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East
14	Lauren Delgado	GK	Gr.	East Earl, Pa./Garden Spot
16	Elise DeWan	D	Fr.	Collegeville, Pa./Methacton
1	Natalie Freeman	M/F	Fr.	Ellicott City, Md./Garrison Forest School
5	Carly Gannon	F/M	Sr.	Havertown, Pa./Haverford
3	Phia Gladieux	F	Sr.	Boyertown, Pa./Oley Valley
17	Ella Jennes	F/M	So.	Aerdenhout, The Netherlands/Coornert Lyceum
20	Anouk Knuvers	B	Jr.	's-Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands/Stedelijk
7	Julia Lamb	F/M	Jr.	Phoenixville, Pa./Owen J. Roberts
33	Kelsey Love	B	Gr.	State College, Pa./State College
42	Sophia Mannino	M	Jr.	Doylestown, Pa./Central Bucks East
22	Emmy McCully	F/M	Fr.	Hummelstown, Pa./Lower Dauphin
9	Morgan McMenamin	F	So.	Lafayette Hill, Pa./The Episcopal Academy
21	Caroline Myers	F	Jr.	Hartland, Wis./Arrowhead
26	Gery Schnarrs	B	Sr.	Camp Hill, Pa./East Pennsboro
31	Hannah Schreckengaust	D	Fr.	San Marcos, Calif./San Marcos
15	Aubrey Semler	F	So.	Orefield, Pa./Parkland
4	Madison Tambroni	M	So.	State College, Pa./State College
27	Drew Taylor	F/M	Jr.	Coatesville, Pa./Coatesville
10	Julienne van Bekkum	B	Gr.	Best, The Netherlands/ Heerbeek

Head Coach: Lisa Bervinchak Love (Penn State '89), 1st season as head coach; 30th overall

Associate Head Coach: Laura Gebhart (Penn State '15), 3rd season at Penn State; 6th overall

Assistant Coaches: Ayla Halus-Johnson (Penn State '13); Amanda Dinunzio (Penn State '15)



2023 Penn State Field Hockey Overall Statistics (as of Oct 27, 2023)

Record:	Overall	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	9-7	5-3	4-4	0-0
Conference	4-4	2-2	2-2	0-0
Non-Conference	5-3	3-1	2-2	0-0

Date	Opponent	W/L	Score	Att.
8/25/2023	at Virginia	L	1-2	530
8/27/2023	at AMERICAN	W	3-2	373
9/1/2023	at CAL	L	2-3	750
9/3/2023	at Stanford	W	5-1	277
9/8/2023	KENT STATE	W	5-0	640
9/10/2023	DELAWARE	W	4-1	406
9/15/2023	RU	L	0-1	261
9/17/2023	BUCKNELL	W	2-1	316
9/24/2023	SYRACUSE	L	1-2	285
10/1/2023	at Maryland	L	2-4	105
10/3/2023	OHIO STATE	W	2-1	525
10/13/2023	at MICHIGAN STATE	W	4-0	250
10/15/2023	at Michigan	L	1-2	0
10/20/2023	NORTHWESTERN	L	0-2	531
10/22/2023	IOWA	W	2-1	812
10/27/2023	at Indiana	W	3-1	0

Team Statistics	PSU	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot Att.	37-226	24-211
Goals Per Game	2.31	1.50
Shot Pct.	0.164	0.114
Shots on Goal-Att.	138-226	125-211
SOG Pct.	0.611	0.592
Shots/Game	14.1	13.2
PENALTY CORNERS	99	62
PENALTY STROKES	2-2	0-1
PENALTIES		
Yellow Cards	6	7
Red Cards	0	0
ATTENDANCE		
Total	3,776	3,232
Dates-Avg Per Date	8/472	8/404
Neutral Site #-Avg	0/	

#	Player	GP	G	A	PTS	SH	SH%	SOG	SOG%	YC-RC	GW	PK-ATT	DS
3	Gladieux, Sophia	16	20	2	42	88	0.227	51	0.580	0-0	6	0-0	0
2	Allesie, Mackenzie	16	8	5	21	59	0.136	39	0.661	2-0	2	2-2	0
5	Gannon, Carly	15	4	3	11	15	0.267	11	0.733	1-0	0	0-0	0
1	Freeman, Natalie	16	1	1	3	6	0.167	4	0.667	0-0	0	0-0	0
42	Mannino, Sophia	6	1	1	3	6	0.167	3	0.500	0-0	0	0-0	0
20	Knuvers, Anouk	16	0	2	2	4	0.000	2	0.500	0-0	0	0-0	1
15	Semler, Aubrey	14	1	0	2	9	0.111	6	0.667	0-0	1	0-0	0
4	Tambroni, Madison	12	0	2	2	0	0.000	0	0.000	1-0	0	0-0	0
27	Taylor, Drew	16	1	0	2	5	0.200	4	0.800	0-0	0	0-0	0
10	van Bekkum, Julienne	15	1	0	2	2	0.500	2	1.000	0-0	0	0-0	0
17	Jennes, Ella	16	0	1	1	13	0.000	6	0.462	0-0	0	0-0	0
7	Lamb, Julia	16	0	1	1	4	0.000	2	0.500	0-0	0	0-0	0
34	Acosta, Sofia	3	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0-0	0	0-0	0
12	Barraco, Brie	16	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0-0	0	0-0	0
14	Delgado, Lauren	3	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0-0	0	0-0	0
16	DeWan, Elise	2	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0-0	0	0-0	0
33	Love, Kelsey	16	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	1-0	0	0-0	0
22	McCully, Emmy	3	0	0	0	0	0.000	0	0.000	0-0	0	0-0	0
9	McMenamin, Morgan	16	0	0	0	6	0.000	3	0.500	0-0	0	0-0	0
21	Myers, Caroline	10	0	0	0	2	0.000	1	0.500	0-0	0	0-0	0
26	Schnarrs, Gery	16	0	0	0	7	0.000	4	0.571	1-0	0	0-0	0
Total		16	37	18	92	226	0.164	138	0.611	6-0	9	2-2	1
Opponent		16	24	17	65	211	0.114	125	0.592	7-0	7	0-1	4

#	Goalle	GP	MIN	GA	GAA	SAVE	PCT	W-L-T	SHO
12	Barraco, Brie	16	949:12	24	1.52	93	0.795	9-7-0	0/2
14	Delgado, Lauren	3	35:41	0	0.00	7	1.000	0-0-0	0/2
Total		16	984:53	24	1.46	100	0.806	9-7-0	2
Opponents		16	982:27	37	2.26	97	0.724	--	2

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT2	Total
Penn State	6	6	16	8	1	0	37
Opponents	5	6	7	4	0	2	24

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT2	Total
Penn State	44	52	75	47	8	0	226
Opponents	57	41	42	59	6	6	211

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT2	Total
Penn State	26	21	21	27	5	1	101
Opponents	24	26	28	20	3	0	101

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT2	Total
Penn State	17	20	32	29	1	0	99
Opponents	17	11	10	19	2	3	62

Fouls by Period	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	OT	OT2	Total
Penn State	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Opponents	0	0	0	0	0	0	0



#5 PENN STATE 1, #6 VIRGINIA 2 Friday, Aug. 25, 2023 -- Charlottesville, Va.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (0-1, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 5 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, dropped a hard-fought game at No. 6 Virginia (1-0) in the season opener for both teams. The Nittany Lions fell 2-1 on the road in Charlottesville, Va. The game was the first for new head coach Lisa Bervinchak Love.

Both ranked teams battled each other evenly for the opening minutes, with neither team managing a shot on goal. Virginia survived an early green card to keep the game scoreless as the first period hit the midway point. Penn State keeper Brie Barraco made a save on the first shot of the game, turning back Virginia's Dani Mendez-Trendler at the 6:18 mark. Barraco made a second save with 2:15 left in the opening period to keep the Cavaliers off the scoreboard. Virginia's Emily Field hit the post shortly after Barraco's save and the game moved to the second period tied 0-0. The Penn State defense forced a high shot from the Cavaliers early in the second period. Penn State's Drew Taylor took Penn State's first shot of the game, forcing Virginia goalie Tyler Kennedy into a save with 9:25 left in the period. She followed with a second quick shot that was blocked and the game continued 0-0. Penn State forced the first penalty corner of the game at 9:01 and Sophia Gladieux's shot off the set play sailed just wide. Barraco served up a save on a Cavalier shot with 5:00 left to play. A minute later, Penn State freshman Natalie Freeman gave Penn State a 1-0 lead, scoring unassisted at the 4:50 mark. That score held for the remainder of the period and Penn State carried a 1-0 lead into intermission. Virginia outshot Penn State 6-5 in the first half. Penn State had one corner. Barraco had three saves for Penn State and Kennedy had two for Virginia.

Penn State opened the second half by forcing a quick penalty corner. Gladieux's shot was turned away off a defensive save from Virginia. The Cavaliers then moved the ball down field, picked up their first penalty corner, and forced Barraco into another save just over a minute into the third period. The Cavaliers tied the game up shortly after Barraco's save with Laura Janssen knotting the score at 1-1 with 13:31 on the clock. Penn State pressed the Virginia cage midway through the period with Morgan McMenamin ripping off three shots, forcing Kennedy into two saves with the third being blocked. A fourth Lion shot went wide and the game moved to the 7:00 mark still tied at 0-0. Penn State worked to take the lead late in the third, forcing three penalty corners in the last two minutes. But Virginia's Kennedy made the saves necessary to send the game into the fourth period tied 1-1. Virginia took a 2-1 lead just over 3:00 into the fourth period. After Barraco made a pair of saves, Minnie Pollock found the back of the cage with 12:32 left in the game to put the Cavaliers up by one. Penn State answered with a penalty corner a couple minutes later, with Mackenzie Allesie feeding Gladieux for the shot. But Virginia's Noa Boterman made a defensive save on the shot and Penn State trailed by one with 8:32 left in the game. Virginia forced a corner minutes later, the Penn State defense held and the game continued with the Cavaliers up 2-1. Barraco made a save late to keep Penn State close. Virginia's defense then kept Penn State from threatening the cage as the game ended and the Nittany Lions fell 2-1. Virginia outshot Penn State 18-14. Barraco and Kennedy each netted eight saves. Penn State had six corners to Virginia's three.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	1	0	0	1
Virginia	0	0	1	1	2
STATS:	PSU	UVA			
Shots	14	18			
Corners	6	3			

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME
2nd: PSU – Natalie Freeman (unassisted); 4:50
3rd: UVA – Laura Janssen (Minnie Pollock); 13:31
4th: UVA – Minnie Pollock (Laura Janssen); 12:32

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	2	8
UVA: Tyler Kennedy	60:00	1	8

#5 PENN STATE 3, AMERICAN 2 (ot) Sunday, Aug. 27, 2023 -- Washington, D.C.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (1-1, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 5 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, came back from a two-goal deficit to beat American University (1-1) in a non-conference road game on Sunday. Senior Mackenzie Allesie scored the game's final two goals, including the game winner in overtime, to lift Penn State to the 3-2, come-from-behind win.

The teams battled through an even four minutes before Penn State forced the game's first penalty corner at the 10:26 mark. Allesie's entry pass led to a Sophia Gladieux shot that missed just wide, keeping the game scoreless early on. Penn State got hit with a green card at the 9:15 mark allowing American to move the ball down field where Sarah Steinman had the Eagles' first shot blocked. Penn State retook possession, moved the ball down field where both Ella Jennes and Natalie Freeman had shots saved by AU keeper Bryn Underwood. Penn State forced a corner, Allesie had one shot saved and another miss just wide with 4:31 left in the first period and the game moved to the second stanza tied 0-0. Gladieux had an early shot for Penn State, forcing Underwood into a save less than two minutes into the period. American had a shot blocked at the 11:24 mark as well, and the close game continued towards the 10:00 mark of the second. Underwood made another save on a Penn State shot at the 8:34 mark. American regained possession and Rebecca Bonness forced Penn State keeper Brie Barraco into her first saves of the game with 7:16 left in the half. American received a penalty corner right after and the Eagles took a 1-0 lead when Alyssa Freeman scored with 7:06 on the clock. Penn State looked to tie the game late in the period, with a pair of penalty corners late. The Lions had a shot sail wide with :50 on the clock and Penn State trailed 1-0 at intermission. Penn State outshot American 9-5 in the first half and had a 5-1 edge in corners. Barraco had two saves for the Nittany Lions while Underwood had five for the Eagles.

American took a 2-0 lead quickly in the third period when Emilia Winkler scored unassisted just over two minutes into the period. Penn State immediately worked the ball down field after the reset and

forced a penalty corner, but the ensuing shot was blocked. American followed with a couple corners, two shots and two Barraco saves that kept Penn State close. Underwood made a nice save on a Gladieux shot midway through the third period. Penn State maintained possession, picking up two quick corners. Underwood continued to push back Penn State's efforts, making another save on an Allesie shot with 7:13 on the clock. Another Allesie effort was blocked with 6:16 left in the period but the Nittany Lions picked up a penalty corner on the play. Underwood made two saves and a third Lion shot was blocked during flurry in front of the Eagle cage, leaving the Lions still down 2-0 at 5:50. Penn State got on the board with 2:51 left in the third period when Gladieux pushed the ball past Underwood to cut the Eagle lead to 2-1. Penn State had two late shots blocked and the Nittany Lions trailed by one after three periods. The Nittany Lions tied the game up early in the fourth period when Allesie scored off a penalty corner just 1:26 into the final stanza. The goal evened up the scoreboard 2-2 with the bulk of the final period yet to play. Barraco made a nice save on a Megan Hoffman shot with just over 10:00 to play but the Nittany Lions were hit with a green card shortly thereafter, giving the Eagles a player advantage. The Penn State defense held, however, and the game moved to the final eight 8:00 knotted at 2-2. The Nittany Lions had a pair of corners with just over 6:00 to play but had a shot blocked. The Nittany Lions nearly grabbed the win with a late shot from Gladieux, but Underwood made the save and the game moved to overtime.

Sophia Mannino had a shot blocked early in the extra period to set up Allesie's game winner. Allesie scored off the rebound to give Penn State a 3-2, come-from-behind victory at the 8:09 mark of overtime. Penn State outshot American 27-9 and had a big 13-3 edge in penalty corners. Barraco had five saves for the Nittany Lions while Underwood had 11 saves for the Eagles.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	OT	F
PENN STATE	0	0	1	1	1	3
American	0	1	1	0	0	2
STATS:	PSU	AU				
Shots	27	9				
Corners	13	3				

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME
2nd: AU – Alyssa Freeman (Tayla-Jade Weiss); 7:06
3rd: AU – Emilia Winkler (unassisted); 11:42
3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 2:51
4th: PSU – Mackenzie Allesie (unassisted); 13:34
OT: PSU – Mackenzie Allesie (unassisted); 8:09

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	61:51	2	5
AU: Bryn Underwood	61:51	3	11

#5 PENN STATE 2, CALIFORNIA 3 (2 ot) Friday, Sept. 1, 2023 -- Berkeley, Calif.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (1-2, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 5 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, dropped a tough double-overtime thriller at California (1-3) in a non-conference game played in Berkeley, Calif. Cal scored early in the second overtime to grab a 3-2 (2 OT) win.

California began the game getting off a quick shot a minute in that went wide of the Penn State cage and keeper Brie Barraco. Cal maintained possession and forced a penalty corner. Barraco made another quick save on a shot by Bente Baekers, but the Bears connected for a quick goal on the rebound when Kitty Baccanello found the back of the cage at the 12:14 mark. Penn State quickly answered, however, when Sophia Gladieux scored unassisted with 7:14 on the clock. Penn State worked hits way to a penalty corner with 3:56 left in the period. But Cal defended the effort, worked the ball down field and forced Barraco into a save. Barraco made another save on a shot off a corner from Bakers and the game moved to the second period tied 1-1. Penn State opened up the second quarter with a quick corner, with Cal goalie Tina Jolly made a save on the ensuing Gladieux shot. Cal managed the lone shots over the next six minutes, with Barraco making a save on midway through the period. Cal forced a corner with 6:32 left in the period but the shot sailed wide. The teams traded possessions for the rest of the period and the game remained tied 1-1 heading into the halftime break. California outshot Penn State 10-3 in the first half and had a 3-2 edge in corners. Barraco had five first half saves and Jolly had one for the Bears.

Five minutes into the third period, Penn State forced a penalty corner. The Lion shot off the set sailed wide right, and the game continued into the middle of the third period knotted 1-1. Neither team mounted a strong offensive threat on the cage over the final six minutes of the third period and that score held into the fourth period. The Bears moved the ball down into the Penn State circle early in the fourth period with Daniella Rhodes taking a shot, forcing Barraco into another save to keep the game tied. Cal's second shot sailed wide seconds later. Penn State regained possession and worked the ball down field for a Gladieux shot, but Jolly was able to make the save with just under 10:00 to play. Cal took a 2-1 lead on an unassisted goal by Holly Pears with just over 5:00 to play but Gladieux answered right away, tying the game at 2-2 with an unassisted goal of her own. The teams played even for the remainder of the period and for the second time in three games, the Nittany Lions headed to overtime.

Nittany Lion Mackenzie Allesie nearly ended the game early in extra time for Penn State, getting off two shots in succession that Jolly made saves on with just under 7:00 left in overtime. California forced a penalty corner at 5:35. Barraco made a save on the shot off the set and the game continued tied 2-2. The teams traded shots late in the game. Gladieux had a shot blocked and Anouk Knuffers forced Jolly into a save. Barraco made a save on a Claire Hind shot in the final seconds and the game moved to a second overtime period. California forced two corners in the opening minute with the second being blocked by the Nittany Lion defense. A third Cal corner led to another Penn State block, still just under 1:00 into the second overtime. The Bears kept the pressure on Penn State and Daniella Rhodes grabbed the win for Cal with a goal at the 6:39 mark in double overtime. Penn State had 12 shots in the game while California had 19. The Nittany Lions managed four corners while the Bears had seven. Barraco had nine saves for Penn State and Jolly had five for California.





GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	OT	OT	F
PENN STATE	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
California	1	0	0	1	0	1	3

STATS:	PSU	CAL
Shots	12	19
Corners	4	7

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

1st: CAL – Kitty Baccanello (Cato Geugens); 12:14

1st: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 7:14

4th: CAL – Holly Pears (Sophie Everett); 5:08

4th: CAL – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 4:56

2OT: CAL – Daniella Rhodes (Sophie Everett); 6:39

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	73:41	3	9
CAL: Tina Joly	73:41	2	5

#5 PENN STATE 5, STANFORD 1

Sunday, Sept. 3, 2023 -- Palo Alto, Calif.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (2-2, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 5 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, used a second half burst to grab a win at Stanford (0-3) in a non-conference game on the West Coast. Penn State posted a 5-1 win, breaking open a 1-1 halftime tie with four unanswered goals in the second half.

Penn State came out firing, pressing the Cardinal defense. After an initial Stanford shot, Penn State reeled off a series of shots that were knocked back before Carly Gannon put Penn State up 1-0 with a goal on the rebound from a Stanford goalie Daisy Ford save. The score game at the 9:24 mark. Penn State continued to pressure Stanford, forcing the game's first penalty corner two minutes later. Stanford was able to defend the set, however, and the game continued with the Nittany Lions leading 1-0. Penn State had three more corner sets before the 4:00 mark of the first period with Ford making saves on two Lion shots and a block on the third. The first period ended with the Nittany Lions leading 1-0. Stanford got hit with a green card early in the second period. Gannon had another shot on goal that Ford was able to make the save on and the Cardinal defense held off Penn State during the player advantage. The Penn State offense continued to dominate the game, controlling the ball deep into the second period. Aubrey Semler and Gannon each forced Ford into saves as the Nittany Lions looked to extend their lead. As the Stanford defense stiffened, the Cardinal offense managed to tie the game in the first half's final minutes. Gemma Townsend scored with just 1:49 left before intermission to knot the game at 1-1 heading to halftime. Penn State held a large 12-2 edge in shots at the break but Ford's seven saves kept Stanford in the game and had the game's only saves. The Nittany Lions had four penalty corners while Stanford had none.

Penn State opened up the third period with two goals in just over 2:00. Sophia Gladieux scored her first of the game, and third of the weekend, unassisted just 1:12 into the period. Penn State kept the pressure on with Gladieux forcing Ford into a save a minute later and Gannon once again finding the back of the cage off the rebound. Gannon's second goal of the contest put Penn State up 3-1 just over 2:00 into the third period. The twosome then combined on Penn State's fourth goal shortly after that. Gannon hit Gladieux with a pass and Gladieux scored again at the 10:42 mark to give the Nittany Lions a 4-1 lead. Penn State kept the pressure on the Cardinal deep into the third period. Julia Lamb helmed a penalty corner that led to a Gery Schnarrs shot. Ford made the save and Stanford regained possession. Stanford's Haley Mossmer hit the post on a shot with 4:30 left in the period. Ella Jennes forced Ford into another save late in the period and Penn State carried the 4-1 lead into the final stanza. Both teams swapped out their keepers to start the final period. Lauren Delgado took over for Penn State's Brie Barraco to begin the period while Kendall Dowd got the call for Stanford's Daisy Ford. The Nittany Lions scored quickly to start the fourth period with Drew Taylor taking an assist from Gannon and finding the back of the cage 5:00 into the period, giving Penn State a 5-1 lead. Stanford forced a penalty corner a couple minutes later but the Cardinal shot off the set was blocked by the Nittany Lion defense. Lauren Delgado made a save on a Stanford shot minutes later, Stanford was awarded a corner, and Delgado made another quick save to keep Penn State up by four. Delgado continued to play strong in goal as the Penn State defense withstood a late Stanford offensive push and the Nittany Lions finished off the 5-1 victory. Penn State outshot Stanford 21-14 for the game and had a 5-4 lead in penalty corners. Ford had all 11 of Stanford's saves, all in the first three periods. Delgado had Penn State's only saves, with all five coming in the fourth period.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	1	0	3	1	5
Stanford	0	1	0	0	1

STATS:	PSU	STAN
Shots	21	14
Corners	5	4

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

1st: PSU – Carly Gannon (unassisted); 9:24

2nd: STAN – Gemma Townsend (Esther Pottebaum); 1:49

3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 13:48

3rd: PSU – Carly Gannon (unassisted); 12:47

3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (Carly Gannon); 10:42

4th: PSU – Drew Taylor (Carly Gannon); 10:58

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	45:00	1	0
Lauren Delgado	15:00	0	5
STAN: Daisy Ford	45:00	4	11
Kendall Dowd	15:00	1	0

#11 PENN STATE 5, KENT STATE 0

Friday, Sept. 8, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (3-2, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 11 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, dominated visiting Kent State (1-4) in the home opener for head coach Lisa Bervinchak Love's squad. Penn State shut out Kent State 5-0 and recorded its first shutout of the season.

The Nittany Lions wasted no time getting on the board at home. Senior back Gery Schnarrs connected with a breaking Carly Gannon on a long pass that found Gannon alone in the Kent State circle. Gannon controlled the ball, pivoted and hit Sophia Gladieux with a perfect pass. Gladieux connected on the shot, giving Penn State a 1-0 lead just :25 into the game. Kent State moved the ball down into the Lion circle midway through the period, but Penn State's defense stood firm. Penn State forced the game's first penalty corner with 6:51 on the clock. Mackenzie Alessie rocketed a shot off the play but Kent State goalie Cecile van Eijck made a nice kick save on the action. Kent State pushed the ball back down into the Lion circle, but back Kelsey Love intercepted a pass to keep the Flash from threatening. Anouk Knuvers broke up another KSU fast break at 2:20 and Penn State carried a 1-0 lead into the second period. The teams traded possessions to start the second period and Kent State threatened at the 10:40 mark. Knuvers blocked a pass and then Sophia Mannino regained the ball for Penn State at 10:00 to keep Kent State off the board. Aubrey Semler rocketed a shot that forced van Eijck into another diving save and then the Nittany Lion rebound went just wide midway through the second period. Kent State moved the ball into the Lion circle at the 5:05 mark but had a pass sail past forward Madison Leety, returning the ball to Penn State. Ella Jennes pushed the ball towards the KSU cage at 3:00 but the Flash defense forced a turnover. Schnarrs and the Penn State defense pushed back on a Kent State push in with 1:45 left and then Semler forced van Eijck into another save in the final minute. Penn State, off an early goal in the first period, led 1-0 at halftime. The Nittany Lions had five shots in the first half and the Penn State defense held Kent State to none. With Barraco facing no shots in the first 30 minutes, van Eijck had the game's only three saves for Kent State. Penn State had the first half's lone penalty corner as well.

Kent State had an early chance at the top of the Nittany Lion circle to start the third period, but Schnarrs moved in on the ball and regained possession for Penn State. The Nittany Lions forced a penalty corner with 10:52 on the clock after moving the ball downfield but the Kent State defense blocked a Gladieux shot off the set to keep the score 1-0. Penn State kept the pressure on van Eijck however, with Mannino dribbling the ball past the KSU defense and feeding Gannon in front of the cage. Gannon connected on the shot and Penn State led 2-0 with 10:15 on the clock. Penn State quickly added another goal when Gladieux slid a short pass to Alessie right in front of the Kent State cage with Alessie knocking the goal in with 5:40 left in the period. Penn State forced a corner at 4:18 and pushed its lead to 4-0. After a short scramble in front of the KSU goal, Natalie Freeman hit Mannino with a pass and the Lion junior knocked the ball past van Eijck to put Penn State up 4-0 with 4:09 left in the period. Penn State forced another corner and got of three shots, but two KSU saves and a high effort followed. The Nittany Lions led 4-0 heading into the final stanza. Penn State controlled action early in the fourth, getting off a shot that went wide early. Kent State moved the ball down field and forced its first penalty corner. Lion goalie Lauren Delgado, who entered the game to start the period, made a save on the shot. An ensuing KSU corner led to another Delgado save and Penn State continued to lead by four as the clock moved to the 11:00 mark. The Lion defense kept Kent State in check to the midway point and Penn State's offense pushed the ball back into the Flash circle briefly at 7:30. But Kent State regained possession but did not threaten on the drive. Alessie scored Penn State's fifth goal, unassisted at the 5:29 mark, pushing the score to 5-0. Alessie's goal was the game's final and Penn State rolled to the 5-0 win. Penn State outshot Kent State 17-2 and had a 4-1 edge in corners. Kent State's van Eijck had six saves while Delgado had two saves in the fourth period for the Nittany Lions as she and starter Brie Barraco collected Penn State's first shutout of the year.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	1	0	3	1	5
Kent State	0	0	0	0	0

STATS:	PSU	KSU
Shots	17	2
Corners	4	1

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

1st: PSU – Phia Gladieux (Carly Gannon); 14:35

3rd: PSU – Carly Gannon (Sophia Mannino); 10:15

3rd: PSU – Mackenzie Alessie (Phia Gladieux); 5:40

3rd: PSU – Sophia Mannino (Natalie Freeman); 4:09

4th: PSU – Mackenzie Alessie (unassisted); 5:29

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	45:00	0	0
Lauren Delgado	15:00	0	2
KSU: Cecile Van Eijck	60:00	5	6

#11 PENN STATE 4, #19 DELAWARE 1

Sunday, Sept. 10, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (4-2, 0-0 B1G), ranked No. 11 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, rolled to a 4-2 win over No. 19 Delaware (3-3) in a battle of ranked teams. Nittany Lion Sophia Gladieux notched a hat trick in the home win for Penn State.

Penn State's offense controlled the ball early and Mackenzie Alessie forced Delaware goalie Kyle Walbert into an early save at the 13:30 mark. The Blue Hens then took possession and move the ball into the Nittany Lion circle. Kelsey Love intercepted a pass to force a reset and then Carly Gannon forced the Hens into a turnover with 12:20 on the clock. Delaware regained possession minutes later and found the back of the cage. Lion keeper Brie Barraco made a nice save on a Kiki Oudshoorn shot, but Oudshoorn was able to control the rebound and tapped the ball into the goal at 11:01 to put Delaware up 1-0. The teams traded possessions to the midpoint of the first period. Delaware worked



the clock down to the 5:30 mark after a Penn State turnover. Julianne van Bekkum stopped a quick Delaware fast break and Penn State returned the ball to the UD circle at 3:50. But another turnover gave the ball back to the Hens. Delaware forced the game's first penalty corner with 1:21 left in the first period. Barraco made two saves on a flurry after the corner and Penn State trailed 1-0 after the opening period. Nittany Lion Sophia Mannino began the second period with a hard shot from the right of the Hen cage that just missed wide. Penn State kept the ball on the Delaware side for the first five minutes of the period but could not break through the Blue Hen defense. Delaware had a brief run to the Penn State side of the field, but Gery Schnarrs and Anouk Knuvers stopped the press as the clock hit 8:30. Delaware was able to force Barraco into two point-blank saves at 8:10 and then Penn State took a player advantage when UD was hit with a green card. Penn State forced a penalty corner and capitalized. Sophia Gladioux took the incoming pass from Alessie and connected for a goal at the 7:05 mark to tie the game 1-1. Penn State controlled the ball for the next five minutes, as Julia Lamb worked the ball downfield and Alessie nearly scoring at 1:57. But Hen defender Valentina Martorell made a defensive saver after the ball got past the UD keeper. Penn State was awarded a corner after the save and Walbert made a diving save on Alessie's shot on the play. Penn State kept possession after the save and Nittany Lion Aubrey Semler rocketed a shot past Walbert at the 1:22 mark to put Penn State up 2-1. Delaware defended two late PSU corners and the Nittany Lions led 2-1 at the break. Delaware outshot Penn State 9-8 but the Lions had a 4-1 edge in corners. Barraco had five saves for Penn State and Walbert had four for the Hens (UD had one team/defensive save as well).

The Blue Hens opened the third period with possession and forced a quick penalty corner at the 13:09 mark. But Penn State's defense held on the play. The Nittany Lions pushed the ball back down to the Hen side of the field briefly, but Delaware regained possession. Knuvers intercepted a pass with 10:00 on the clock and moved the ball back down to Delaware's side. Alessie blasted a shot towards the goal that hit the post. Gladioux collected the ball off the rebound and sent the ball into the cage to give Penn State a 3-1 lead at 9:27. Penn State forced another corner at 7:48 when Ella Jennes worked the ball deep into the UD circle. Penn State's shot off the set was just wide. Delaware worked its way to a penalty corner at 6:30. Barraco made a diving stick save on the shot and Penn State held its two-goal lead. Neither team threatened for the remainder of the period and Penn State carried a 3-1 lead into the fourth. Delaware forced an early corner that led to a Rachael Whitehead shot. But Barraco made the save on the effort to keep the Nittany Lions out in front 3-1. The teams battled evenly for the next two minutes and then Delaware got hit with a green card at 11:55. Penn State forced a corner seconds later. Gery Schnarr forced Walbert into another save off the set and Delaware returned the ball down to the Penn State side of the field. Kelsey Love tipped away a Hen pass and Penn State regained the ball at 10:15 but the Blue Hens were able to kill the player advantage. Delaware picked up another corner at the 8:43 mark but the Lion defense blocked the ensuing shot. Love made another steal on defense at the 5:30 mark as Penn State stifled Delaware's offense deep into the final stanza. Penn State worked the ball down to the UD side with Drew Taylor moving the ball downfield. Penn State forced a corner with 2:26 left in the game. Gladioux scored off the set with assists from Alessie and Knuvers with 2:20 on the clock, giving Penn State a 4-1 lead. Delaware looked to answer with two late corners, but Penn State's defense held on both efforts and the Nittany Lions rolled to the 4-1 victory. Delaware outshot Penn State 14-13 and Penn State held a slim 7-6 edge in penalty corners. Barraco was outstanding in the cage for Penn State, grabbing seven saves while Walbert had five saves (and the UD defense had a sixth).

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	2	1	1	4
Delaware	1	0	0	0	1

STATS:	PSU	UD
Shots	13	14
Corners	7	6

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) - TIME

- 1st: UD - Kiki Oudshoorn (unassisted); 11:01
- 2nd: PSU - Phia Gladioux (Mackenzie Alessie); 7:05
- 2nd: PSU - Aubrey Semler (unassisted); 1:22
- 3rd: PSU - Phia Gladioux (unassisted); 9:27
- 4th: PSU - Phia Gladioux (Mackenzie Alessie, Anouk Knuvers); 2:20

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	1	7
UD: Kylie Walbert	60:00	4	5
Defensive Save	-----	-	1

#12 PENN STATE 0, #10 RUTGERS 1 (2 OT)

Friday, Sept. 15, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (4-3, 0-1 B1G), ranked No. 12 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, dropped a tough double-overtime thriller to No. 10 Rutgers (7-0, 1-0 B1G) in the Big Ten opener for both teams. The Scarlet Knights scored early in the second extra period to grab a 1-0 victory on the opening night of Big Ten play.

Penn State had possession to open the game, but the Rutgers defense turned a quick Lion attack away. Rutgers answered with a shot that the Lion defense blocked, all within the first 1:30 of the game. The Nittany Lions controlled possession for the first five minutes of the game but did not threaten the Rutgers cage. Rutgers worked the ball into the Penn State circle with 7:08 on the clock and forced the game's first penalty corner. The Knight shot off the set was wide. Penn State immediately moved downfield with the ball and picked up its first corner at 6:43. Sophia Gladioux's hard shot was saved by RU keeper Sophia Howard but the Nittany Lions were awarded another corner. Howard made a save on an Anouk Knuvers shot and Penn State's rebound effort was blocked. The Lions maintained possession as the clock hit 5:33 and picked up a third penalty corner. Mackenzie Alessie's shot was knocked away by Howard and the game continued in scoreless tie with 5:00 on the clock. Rutgers had a shot blocked by the Lion defense at 3:15 and another went wide at 2:15. Rutgers forced a corner with 1:00 left in the opening period but its shot sailed wide, and the game moved to the second period tied 0-0. The Nittany Lions were hit with a green card just :30 into the second period. Kelsey Love and the Penn State defense killed the first minute-plus of the penalty and Gery Schnarrs intercepted a pass with just seconds left in the player edge to wipe away the card. Knuvers made another steal on a deep push by the RU offense as the clock hit 11:15. Schnarrs made another defensive stop for Penn State and Alessie stole the ball with 10:20 left, working action back to the Rutgers circle and firing off a backhand that Howard saved. The teams traded possessions as the clock ticked below the 6:00

mark. Rutgers moved the ball into the Penn State circle, but the Nittany Lion defense kept keeper Brie Barraco from facing a shot by forcing the Knights into a turnover. Gladioux forced Howard into another save at 3:15 as Penn State regained control of the ball. Another Penn State shot went wide at 2:30. The Knights pushed the ball into the Penn State circle in the final minute and Barraco knocked away two RU shots and the game remained scoreless at halftime. Each team took seven shots in the first half. Penn State had a 3-2 lead in penalty corners. Howard had five saves for Rutgers and Barraco had two for Penn State.

Gladioux took a quick shot from the top of the Rutgers circle that was blocked high to start the third period. Indy van Ek took a shot from in close for Rutgers, but Barraco kicked the shot aside to keep the game scoreless with 12:25 on the clock. Drew Taylor drove the ball down to the Rutgers side of the field, but the Knight defense pushed the effort back. After a Lion shot went wide at 10:35, Penn State forced a penalty corner at 9:54. Howard made a save on Ella Jennes' shot off the corner set and Rutgers moved play down to the Lion circle. But Penn State held firm on defense and pushed the ball downfield, picking up a corner at 6:30. Rutgers defended the Lion play and regained possession. The Lion defense held, Penn State moved the ball down to the Rutgers side and kept it down there until the 2:30 mark. Rutgers was able to keep Penn State from getting off a solid shot and the game remained tied at 0-0 after three periods. Rutgers forced a corner just :43 into the final period. Barraco made a diving save on the shot off the set and a second Knight effort went wide. Penn State regained possession and worked the ball to the Rutgers side at 12:15. But the Knight defense made a steal and Rutgers went back on attack seconds later. The Penn State defense held. After traded possessions worked the clock down to 10:00, Rutgers pressed the Penn State circle for nearly 2:00. Penn State was able to grab the ball and move action to the RU circle. Jennes drove right of the cage and forced a corner with 7:33. Howard made a kick save on an Alessie shot off the set and action continued through the 7:00 mark. Rutgers worked the clock down to 5:00 but had a pass miss the mark. Gladioux then grabbed the ball deep in the Rutgers zone and dribbled the ball downfield, forcing a penalty corner with 4:28 left in regulation. Gladioux's shot off the set was just high, and action continued to the 4:00 mark scoreless. Knuvers made a great steal on a late RU drive with 2:45 on the clock and Penn State moved the ball downfield. The Penn State defense blocked a late Rutgers shot with under 1:00 to play and the game moved to overtime.

The Nittany Lions had possession to start extra time, Rutgers grabbed the ball and the Lion defense in the seven-on-seven set forced a turnover; all in the first minute of play. Penn State then had a corner overturned on review and Rutgers had a shot blocked in the Penn State circle but was given a corner on review with 8:05 to play. Barraco made a slick save on the shot, fed the ball outside and Gladioux moved the ball into the Rutgers circle, forcing a penalty corner at 7:42. The Rutgers defense held on the play and the game remained tied. Penn State was hit with a green card at 5:49, giving the Knights a player edge. Penn State worked the clock down to 3:49, ending the player edge. Barraco made another save at 2:55, Penn State worked the ball down for a Gladioux shot that went high, and the clock moved past 2:30. Neither team threatened for the rest of the period and the game moved to a second overtime knotted in a scoreless tie. Rutgers had possession to start the next extra period, but Julianne van Bekkum made a nice steal on the RU drive and Penn State returned the ball to the Knight circle briefly. After a Penn State turnover, Rutgers moved the ball down to the Penn State circle, fired off two shots and connected on the third when Guilermina Causarano was able to find the back of the cage at 8:03 and give Rutgers a 1-0 double overtime win. Rutgers outshot Penn State 17-16 but Penn State had an 8-4 edge in penalty corners. Barraco and Howard both had seven saves in the game.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORE:	1	2	3	4	OT1	OT 2	F
PENN STATE	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Rutgers	0	0	0	0	0	1	1

STATS:	PSU	RU
Shots	16	17
Corners	8	4

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) - TIME

- OT2: RU -- Guilermina Causarano (unassisted); 8:03

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	71:57	1	7
RU: Sophia Howard	71:57	0	7

#12 PENN STATE 2, BUCKNELL 1

Sunday, Sept. 17, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (5-3, 0-1 B1G), ranked No. 12 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, grabbed a 2-1 win over visiting Bucknell (3-5) in a non-conference Sunday matinee. The Nittany Lions overcame an early one goal deficit to garner the non-conference victory.

Penn State took advantage of an early Bucknell turnover to push the ball into the Bison circle, but BU keeper Sarah Althouse defended a Carly Gannon drive as the opening minute played out. Bucknell responded with a quick offensive drive, but the Penn State defense held as Julianne van Bekkum regained the ball for the Nittany Lions. Kelsey Love blocked a Bucknell shot at the 10:15 mark to keep the game scoreless through 5:00 of play. Penn State returned the ball to the Bison circle with Mackenzie Alessie barely missing on a pass to a diving Natlie Freeman with 8:12 on the clock. Penn State kept pressure on the BU defense until the 5:30 mark when Bucknell regained possession and briefly pushed the ball down to the Nittany Lion circle. Lily Neilsen had Bucknell's first close shot, with her effort sailing wide of Penn State goalie Brie Barraco with 2:05 on the clock and another as the first period ended, sending the game to the second stanza tied 0-0. Penn State's Ella Jennes drove the ball into the Bison circle from the right side, forcing the game's first penalty corner just :25 into the second period. The Penn State shot off the set was wide and Bucknell moved the ball down to the Lion side of the field. The Bison quickly picked up their first corner just :30 later. Barraco made a save on the BU shot, the Nittany Lions pushed the ball downfield and Jennes quickly forced another corner at 13:01. Sophia Gladioux rocketed a shot at the Bison cage that missed just wide with 11:00 on the clock. The Bison picked up a corner at 9:48. After an initial Bison shot was blocked off the set, Lily Neilsen corralled the rebound and scored the game's first goal, unassisted, with 9:38 to play in the half. Penn State forced a flurry of penalty corners after the Bison goal, but Althouse and the Bucknell defense held through the 7:00 mark. The teams traded possessions over the final minutes of the half and the Nittany Lions trailed 1-0 at the break. Penn State outshot Bucknell 8-7 in the first half and had a 5-2 edge in penalty corners. Althouse had four saves for Bucknell while Barraco had one for the Nittany Lions.





Neither team threatened over the first few minutes of the third period as both defenses were solid coming out of the halftime break. Penn State began to press the Bison circle as the clock hit 10:00. The Lions forced a penalty corner at the 9:33 mark with Jennes once again driving the ball right to the Bucknell cage. Bucknell blocked the ensuing Penn State shot but the Nittany Lions picked up another corner a minute later. Alessie's shot off the set was defended by Althouse, but a penalty stroke was awarded to the Lions on the play. Alessie took the penalty stroke and knocked the ball past Althouse to tie the game at 1-1. Bucknell got hit with a green card right away, giving Penn State a player advantage but BU killed the penalty and the game moved to the 5:00 mark still knotted at 1-1. Penn State took its first lead of the game with Gladieux driving the ball, right to left, into the Bucknell circle and rifling off a backhand for an unassisted goal to give Penn State a 2-1 lead with 3:18 left in the third period. Penn State picked up another corner at 1:28, then another seconds later after a blocked shot. Althouse made a stick save on the second corner and Penn State settled for a 2-1 lead after three periods. The Nittany Lions defended an early Bucknell push to start the fourth period and then moved the ball downfield. The Bison regained possession as the clock moved to 12:00 but the Nittany Lions forced a quick turnover. The teams traded possessions over the next five minutes until Bucknell threatened the Lion circle, forcing a penalty corner at 6:32. Barraco made a save on the first effort and the Lion defense blocked a shot on a second quick corner. Bucknell continued to pressure the Nittany Lion defense, trying to tie the game, but the Lion defense held as the clock moved to 4:00. Anouk Knuvers and Kelsey Love pushed back on a Bison drive at 3:00 to keep the visitors from pressuring the Lion cage. Aubrey Semler began a fast break at 2:20 that worked the clock down under 2:00 before Bucknell regained possession. Bucknell had one more chance, working the ball into the Penn State zone. But a shot from outside the circle was high with :20 left, and the Lions were able to kill the clock and grab the hard-fought 2-1 win Penn State outshot Bucknell 15-11 over the course of the game and had a 9-4 lead in penalty corners. Althouse had seven saves for Bucknell while Barraco had three for the Nittany Lions.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	0	2	0	2
Bucknell	0	1	0	0	1

STATS:	PSU	BU
Shots	15	11
Corners	9	4

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

2nd: BU – Lily Neilson (unassisted); 9:38
 3rd: PSU – Mackenzie Alessie (penalty stroke); 8:22
 3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 3:18

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	1	3
BU: Sarah Althouse	60:00	2	7

#16 PENN STATE 1, #10 SYRACUSE 2
Sunday, Sept. 24, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (5-4, 0-1 B1G), ranked No. 16 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, dropped a hard-fought 2-1 game to No. 10 Syracuse (7-2) in a battle of nationally ranked teams. All three goals were scored in the third period of the non-conference contest, played during a steady rain at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex.

Penn State nearly scored in the opening minute when Carly Gannon intercepted a Syracuse pass in front of the Orange cage and sent the ball careening towards the goal. But SU keeper Brooke Borzymowski swatted the ball down and the early threat was neutralized. Syracuse turned the ball over at the 11:30 mark, allowing Penn State to briefly return the ball to the SU circle, but the Orange defense held. Syracuse had its first offensive threat with 7:30 on the clock with a tip shot going high over Lion keeper Brie Barraco and the Penn State goal. The Orange's pressure forced the game's first penalty corner at 6:50. Eefke van den Nieuwenhof's shot went wide and the Barraco made a save on a Hattie Madden shot seconds later. Syracuse kept the ball on the Penn State side of the field for the next three minutes, working the clock down to the 3:30 mark. Penn State's defense held off SU's pressure for the last half of the period and the game moved to the second stanza tied 0-0. The Nittany Lions had a scoring opportunity early in the second period, but Sophia Gladieux's shot slid just wide in the opening two minutes. Gladieux then rocketed a shot at Borzymowski, who made the save, and Gannon's rebound shot jumped high as the clock hit the 11:40 mark. Barraco made a save on an Aiden Drabick shot with 9:25 on the clock as SU began pressuring the Lion circle again. Barraco moved out from the goal to nab another save at 7:30 and Penn State was able to clear the zone. Syracuse returned the ball to the Lion side with 5:00 left in the half and Penn State forced a turnover and set up on offense as the clock hit 4:00. The SU defense was able to retake possession. Anouk Knuvers and Carly Gannon combined to force an SU turnover with 2:00 left in the period. Knuvers made another steal at 1:00 and the game moved to halftime in a scoreless tie. Syracuse had a 6-5 edge in shots in the first half and the half's only penalty corner. Barraco had four saves for the Nittany Lions while Borzymowski had two for Syracuse.

Knuvers and Julianne van Bekkum defended an early Syracuse rush to open the third period. Syracuse was able to get on the scoreboard minutes later when Madden started a fastbreak from midfield and fed Piek van de Pas who was breaking from the right side. Van de Pas pushed the ball into the Lion cage and Syracuse led 1-0 at 11:57. Penn State responded on offense, picking up its first penalty corner with 11:08 on the clock. Gery Schnarrs' shot off the set was blocked by SU and the score held at 1-0 Syracuse. Penn State's Gladieux sparked a fast break at the 7:50 mark, passing to Natalie Freeman running downfield. Freeman chased the ball down and forced a scramble in front of the cage. Gladieux corralled the ball and zipped a backhand past the SU keeper to tie the game at 1-1 at 7:45. Syracuse responded by forcing a corner with 4:50 left in the period. Barraco made a nice save on the set play off the corner and then another on a subsequent Orange shot seconds later. But the Orange kept the pressure on Penn State and retook the lead, 2-1, when Charlotte de Vries scored unassisted at 3:04. The 2-1 score held into the fourth period. Syracuse's de Pas had a quick shot to start the fourth period that zipped wide of the Lion cage and then Penn State moved the ball down to the SU side of the field. Gannon took a close shot that Borzymowski made the save on and Penn State forced a penalty corner seconds later, with 12:23 left in regulation. Syracuse defended the first corner, Penn State was awarded another right away, but had a shot sail wide off the second play with 11:48 on the clock. Syracuse gave up a green card at 11:19 but was able to work off the player advantage with an offensive press. Barraco made saves on two tight Syracuse shots to keep Penn State close at the

8:00 mark. Mackenzie Alessie had a shot knocked away by the SU keeper at 4:10, but the Nittany Lions picked up a penalty corner on the play, then another five seconds later. Gladieux had two shots blocked by Orange defenders as the clock moved below 4:00. Penn State pressured the Syracuse circle for the next minute-plus. Syracuse was hit with a yellow card with 2:45 left in game, giving Penn State a player edge for the remainder of the period. Syracuse was able to work the clock down to 1:30 before Penn State gained possession and moved the ball back to the SU side of the field. The Nittany Lions' late offensive effort was defended by Syracuse and the visitors were able to kill the clock, grabbing the 2-1 win. Syracuse outshot Penn State 13-12 and Penn State owned a 5-2 lead in penalty corners. Barraco had eight saves for Penn State while Borzymowski had four for Syracuse.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	0	1	0	1
Syracuse	0	0	2	0	2

STATS:	PSU	SU
Shots	12	13
Corners	5	2

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

3rd: SU – Piek van de Pas (Hattie Mader); 11:57
 3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 7:45
 3rd: SU – Charlotte de Vries (unassisted); 3:04

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	2	8
SYR: Brooke Borzymowski	60:00	1	4

#16 PENN STATE 2, #8 MARYLAND 4
Sunday, Oct. 1, 2023 -- College Park, Md.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (5-5, 0-2 B1G), ranked No. 16 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, dropped a 4-2 game at No. 8 Maryland (8-3, 1-1 B1G) on Sunday afternoon. Penn State's late second half rally fell short in the Big Ten road loss at College Park, Md.

Maryland scored quickly in the first quarter. Maci Bradford connected on an unassisted goal just 3:15 into the contest to give the Terrapins an early 1-0 lead. The Terrapins continued to pressure Penn State keeper Brie Barraco as the first period hit its midway point. But the Nittany Lions were able to push the ball downfield, nearly tying the game at 7:30, but the Lion shot went wide. Penn State was able to stabilize the possession battle during the middle portion of the first. Carly Gannon had a shot on goal with under 2:00 left in the period but Maryland goalie Alyssa Klebasko made the save to allow Maryland to maintain its 1-0 lead through the first period. The Terrapins were able to score quickly again to start the second. Maryland forced a penalty corner at the 13:50 mark. Barraco and the Lion defense stopped the play off the set, but Maryland's Josie Hollamon connected on the rebound to put the Terrapins up 2-0 at the 13:42 mark. Penn State gave up another penalty corner two minutes later and Barraco made a kick save on the ensuing shot. Maryland continued to pressure the Lion defense and picked up another corner with just over 10:00 to play in the half. Hope Rose was able to score off the set and Maryland led 3-0 at 9:58. Penn State was able to threaten the Terrapin circle at the 6:00 mark but Maryland's defense regained possession and drove the ball downfield, forcing a Penn State green card in the process. Penn State was able to work the player advantage down as the Nittany Lion defense held. Penn State picked up its first penalty corner of the half with :36 on the clock. Gery Schnarrs and Mackenzie Alessie both had good shots blocked or saved by the Maryland keeper and Penn State trailed 3-0 at halftime. Maryland outshot Penn State 7-4 and had a 4-1 edge in penalty corners in the first half. Barraco had three saves for the Nittany Lions while Klebasko had two for Maryland.

The second half began with Penn State pressuring the Maryland circle to start the period, but Maryland was able to half the Lion effort and send the ball back downfield. Barraco made a save on a scramble in front of the Penn State cage, but Maryland picked up a penalty corner during the play. Barraco made a save on the set to keep Maryland from connecting again, but Maryland was able to pick up another penalty corner less than a minute later at the 10:25 mark. Penn State's defense was able to force a wide shot off the corner. Penn State forced a penalty corner with 3:34 left in the third period but Klebasko was able to make a diving save on the Lion shot. Maryland drove down the field and had a shot slide just wide seconds later. Maryland forced a scramble seconds later and upping its lead to 4-0 with a Hollamon goal at 1:27. Penn State had a chance to get on the board late in the third with a corner. Klebasko made a save on the play, but Penn State's offense was able to regain possession. Gladieux used a backhand to notch Penn State's first goal with just :01 on the clock. Penn State narrowed the gap quickly to start the fourth period. Penn State garnered the ball and moved into the Maryland circle two minutes in. Alessie made a long passing shot to the front of the Maryland goal and Gannon tipped the ball in for Penn State's second goal at 11:25, cutting the Maryland lead to 4-2. Barraco kept Penn State in the game with a great sixth save midway through the period as Penn State looked to continue its comeback. Maryland was able to work the clock down below the 6:00 mark before Penn State was able to regain possession and begin pressing the Terrapins. Penn State was able to force a penalty corner with 3:39 left in the game, using a player advantage from a late yellow card on Maryland. The Terrapin defense held on the play and Penn State continued to trail by two as the clock hit 3:00. The Nittany Lions controlled the ball for the final minutes of the game. The Nittany Lions forced a corner in the final seconds, but Klebasko made a save on the ensuing Penn State show, allowing the Terrapins to hold on for a 4-2 win. Penn State had 13 shots in the game while Maryland had 18. The Terrapins had a 6-5 edge in penalty corners as well. Barraco had eight saves for Penn State while Klebasko had five for the Terrapins.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	0	1	1	2
Maryland	1	2	1	0	4

STATS:	PSU	SU	
Shots		13	18
Corners	5	6	

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

1st: MD – Maci Bradford (unassisted); 12:43
 2nd: MD – Josie Hollamon (unassisted); 14:42
 2nd: MD – Hope Rose (Maura Verleg, Margot Lawn); 9:58
 3rd: MD – Josie Hollamon (unassisted); 1:27
 3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 0:01
 4th: PSU – Carly Gannon (Mackenzie Allesie); 11:25

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	4	8
MD: Alyssa Klebasko	60:00	2	5

#16 PENN STATE 2, #7 OHIO STATE 1

Friday, Oct. 6, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (6-5, 1-2 B1G), ranked No. 16 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, used tenacious defense and two second half goals to down No. 7 Ohio State (11-3, 4-2 B1G) at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex. The Nittany Lions posted a 2-1 victory over the visiting Buckeyes to pick up their first conference win of the season.

Penn State had possession to start the game and moved the ball into the Buckeye circle. But the Ohio State defense held, pushed the ball downfield and it was Ohio State who got off the first shot of the game less than a minute into the period. The shot was wide of the goal. Ohio State forced a penalty corner at 12:42 and the Penn State defense blocked the shot off the play. Penn State was able to hold off Ohio State's pressure through the midway point of the period. Ohio State had a shot sail high over Penn State keeper Brie Barraco at the 5:20 mark. Penn State defender Anouk Knuvers forced a turnover at the 2:00 mark and Penn State briefly moved the ball to the Buckeye side but did not press the cage. The first period ended in a 0-0 tie. The two teams played evenly over the first five minutes of the second period with neither team threatening. Penn State began to pressure the Buckeye circle at the 10:00 mark but Ohio State was able to steal the ball and work it downfield, with Barraco making a save on a Buckeye shot at the 9:00 mark. Ohio State forced a penalty corner a minute later. Barraco made another save off the corner set and the game continued past the halfway point of the second period, still tied 0-0. Penn State's Sophia Gladieux forced Penn State's first penalty corner just outside the Buckeye circle with 4:48 left in the half. Ohio State keeper Abby Danson made a diving save on Gladieux's shot off the play to keep the game scoreless. Ohio State worked the ball deep into the Lion circle, but Penn State's defense held, sending the game to halftime tied 0-0. Ohio State outshot Penn State 6-1 in the opening half and had a 2-1 edge in corners. Barraco had two saves for Penn State while Danson had one for OSU.

Penn State pressured the Buckeye circle briefly to start the third period but Ohio State regained possession and worked the ball down to the Penn State side. Barraco made a kick save on a Buckeye shot at the 11:45 mark and then Knuvers worked the ball through the Lion zone and began a Penn State fast break. The Buckeyes defended the effort and returned the ball to the Lion zone where Penn State's defense held once again, keeping the game scoreless at the 10:00 mark. Still scoreless 5:00 later, Ohio State's Hallie Brost worked the ball towards the Lion cage, but Barraco made another kick save at the 4:30 mark. Nittany Lion Madison Tambroni began a fast break that ended in the game's first goal. Tambroni worked the ball downfield and the Lion offense moved the ball into the circle where Mackenzie Allesie hit Gladieux with a pass. Gladieux backhanded the ball into the cage and Penn State led 1-0 at 3:05. Penn State kept the pressure on, with Drew Taylor taking a shot that Danson saved and Gladieux's rebound effort missing just wide. Penn State carried a 1-0 lead into the final period. Ohio State began the fourth period with possession, moving the ball to the endline. But Knuvers once again stood firm on defense, regaining possession for the Nittany Lions. Natalie Freeman and Julia Lamb worked the ball into the Buckeye circle at the 12:00 mark and forced a penalty corner with 11:38 on the clock. Ohio State held on the play, but Penn State picked up another quick corner. Ohio State pushed back on the second corner, regained the ball, and moved action down to the Penn State side with 11:00 left in the game. Penn State held, retook possession, and worked the ball to the Buckeye side with Taylor and Gladieux forcing another corner at 8:56. Penn State had three shots off the set, but a block and two saves kept the score at 1-0 in Penn State's favor. The Lions picked up another corner almost two minutes later and connected once more. After a Morgan McMenamin setup, Gladieux and Allesie traded passes before Allesie drilled a shot past Danson for the goal at 7:02. Ohio State answered back with its first goal two minutes later. Makenna Webster knocked in a rebound shot after a diving Barraco save with 5:04 on the clock to cut the Lion lead to 2-1. Ohio State then pulled its goalie. The Buckeyes pressed the Penn State circle for as the clock moved down to the 1:00 mark but the Penn State defense continued to hold. Ohio State forced a penalty corner with 1:15 left in the game and Knuvers once again came up with the big defensive block. Penn State worked the ball downfield and forced a penalty corner with :42 left, facing a Buckeye team with no goalie in the cage. OSU's Lenne Bough made a defensive save on the set to keep the game at a one goal deficit. The Lions kept possession for the final seconds and notched the thrilling 2-1 victory. Ohio State outshot Penn State 14-10 in the game but Penn State owned a 6-3 edge in penalty corners. Barraco was outstanding in goal, collecting six saves. Danson had four for Ohio State and the Buckeyes also had one defensive save.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	0	1	1	2
Ohio State	0	0	0	1	1

STATS:	PSU	OSU
Shots	10	14
Corners	6	3

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (Mackenzie Allesie); 3:05
 4th: PSU – Mackenzie Allesie (Phia Gladieux); 7:02
 4th: OSU – Makenna Webster (unassisted); 5:02

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	1	6
OSU: Abby Danson	54:58	2	4
TEAM	5:02	0	1

#15 PENN STATE 4, MICHIGAN STATE 0

Friday, Oct. 13, 2023 -- East Lansing, Mich.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (7-5, 2-2 B1G), ranked No. 15 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, rolled to a 4-0 win at Michigan State (3-9, 1-5 B1G) on Friday in East Lansing. Penn State tallied a goal in each period for the B1G win.

Penn State began the game with possession and pressed the Spartan circle in the opening minutes. The Spartan defense held and worked the ball down to the Penn State side of the field, forcing the game's first penalty corner at 11:45. Penn State keeper Brie Barraco and the Lion defense held off the effort, but Michigan State was awarded a penalty stroke on the play. Spartan Lena Kassel took the shot and Barraco made a great save to keep Michigan State off the scoreboard. Penn State gave up a green card at 10:30 but the Nittany Lion defense ably defended the player advantage and the game remained scoreless as it moved to the midway point of the first period. Penn State's Sophia Gladieux just missed on a shot from 10 yards at the 7:30 mark. Gladieux nearly scored at the 6:50 mark but Spartan keeper Cecily Charles made the save to keep the game tied at 0-0. Penn State's pressure paid off seconds later, however, when Gladieux connected off a Julia Lamb pass to give the Lions a 1-0 lead with 6:32 on the clock. Penn State carried that one goal lead into the second period. The teams traded possessions over the first few minutes of the second period. Penn State gathered control at the 11:30 mark and worked the ball into the MSU circle, picking up a penalty corner at the 11:05 mark. Michigan State was able to break up the Nittany Lion play and move the ball back to the Penn State zone, forcing a corner of their own less than a minute later. The Penn State defense was able to block the Spartan shot and maintain the 1-0 lead for the Nittany Lions. Neither team threatened that corner trade-off and the game moved through midway point of the second period. Penn State moved the ball into the Spartan circle at the 5:35 mark and worked its way to a penalty corner. Julienne van Bekkum fed the ball to the left side of the circle on the play. After the Spartans defended the opening play, Madison Tambroni collected the ball mid-zone and fed van Bekkum, who scored her first goal as a Nittany Lion at the 4:41 mark to put Penn State up 2-0. Penn State rode that two-goal lead into the halftime break. Penn State outshot Michigan State 5-3. Both teams had two penalty corners. Barraco had two saves for the Nittany Lions, including the key stop on MSU's early penalty stroke. Charles had one for Michigan State.

The Spartans began the period with possession, but the Nittany Lions defended the opening push. The teams traded possessions through the first five minutes with Penn State maintaining its 2-0 lead. Michigan State pressured the Nittany Lion cage at the 9:45 mark, but Anouk Knuvers and the Penn State defense withstood the effort, and the Nittany Lion midfield took the ball downfield. Michigan State was able to regain the ball but over the next five minutes, the game was contested in the midfield and Penn State maintained its lead. Knuvers stopped another Spartan fast break at the 3:20 mark. Penn State then moved the ball into the Spartan zone and Mackenzie Allesie corralled a loose ball, worked the ball left once and then tapped the ball past the Spartan keeper for a goal at the 2:24 mark. Neither team pressured the other's cage until Gladieux took control of the ball outside the Spartan circle just over 5:00 into the final period. The Lion senior dribbled left and cruised a backhand past the MSU keeper for Penn State's fourth goal with 9:02 left in the game. The two teams traded possessions over the next five minutes as Penn State worked the clock down below the 5:00 mark. Michigan State threatened the Penn State goal at the 4:00 mark but a Spartan shot sailed high. Penn State picked up a late penalty corner with :21 left in the game, but the Spartans defended the play and Penn State posted the 4-0 victory. Penn State outshot the Spartans 11-5 and had a 4-3 lead in corners. Barraco made two saves for Penn State and Charles had two for MSU.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	1	1	1	1	4
Michigan State	0	0	0	0	0

STATS:	PSU	MSU
Shots	11	5
Corners	4	3

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

1st: PSU – Phia Gladieux (Julia Lamb); 6:32
 2nd: PSU – Julienne van Bekkum (Madison Tambroni); 4:41
 3rd: PSU – Mackenzie Allesie (unassisted); 2:24
 4th: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 9:02

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	54:19	0	2
Lauren Delgado	5:41	0	0
MSU: Cecily Charles	60:00	4	2

#15 PENN STATE 1, #16 MICHIGAN 2

Sunday, Oct. 15, 2023 -- Ann Arbor, Mich.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (7-6, 2-3 B1G), ranked No. 15 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, lost a hard fought 2-1 game at No. 16 Michigan (7-7, 2-5 B1G) on Sunday in Ann Arbor. Goalie Brie Barraco tallied a career high 12 saves in the game but Michigan was able to score the game's last two goals to grab the close win.





Michigan came out hot on offense, forcing Penn State goalie Brie Barraco into two saves in the first :45 seconds of the game. The Wolverines then pushed the ball towards the Lion cage and picked up the game's first penalty corner at 13:59. The Wolverine's direct shot off the play found the cage but was too high and the game continued tied 0-0. Mackenzie Alessie was able to move the ball into the Wolverine circle a minute later and pick up a penalty corner for Penn State. Sophia Gladioux's forehead off the corner was blocked by the Michigan defense. Penn State took a 1-0 lead when Gladioux took an Alessie pass, dribbled left and launched a backhand past Michigan keeper Caylie McMahon with 9:21 on the clock. A minute later Barraco made a great save on a tight Michigan shot as the first period hit its midway point. Michigan forced a corner at 6:24 and Barraco came up big twice, on the first shot as well as on the rebound, to keep Penn State up 1-0. The Wolverines forced another corner at 3:21 and Barraco was once again too much, stopping the shot. Michigan was given another corner right away but once again Barraco and the Penn State defense were up to the task. Alessie had a late shot blocked over the Wolverine cage and Penn State, led by six saves from Barraco in the first period, led 1-0 heading to the second stanza. Penn State's defense was tested early in the second period but Anouk Knuvers, Kelsey Love and Gery Schnarrs kept the ball away from the Nittany Lion cage as the clock hit 12:00. But the Wolverine's pressure paid off shortly afterwards, with Isabella Palde tipping in a pass from Kate McLaughlin to tie the game up with 10:58 on the clock. With the game tied 1-1, Penn State worked the ball down to the Wolverine side of the field, but Michigan forced a turnover. Lion defender Aubrey Semler forced a turnover on the other end of the field and the second period hit its midway point with the teams tied 1-1. Barraco made another save at the 5:45 mark after a quick Wolverine fast break. Julia Lamb and Schnarrs defended the right side of the Lion circle as the clock moved to 4:00 but Michigan continued to press the ball towards Barraco. The Wolverines picked up a corner at 4:05 and Knuvers made a great defensive save to keep the game tied. Michigan gave up a green card at 1:30, giving Penn State a player edge for the remainder of the half. Michigan was able to work the ball down to the Lion circle as the clock wound down and the game hit the halftime break tied 1-1. Michigan outshot Penn State 12-4 and had a 5-1 edge in corners. Barraco was superb with eight saves in the first half while Michigan's McMahon had none.

After a quick Penn State push early in the third period, Michigan worked the ball down to the Penn State side of the field. The bulk of the action through the 11:00 mark was battled on Penn State's side and Michigan was able to take advantage of it. McLaughlin took a pass from Rosie Hope to nail a backhand and give the Wolverines a 2-1 lead with 10:32 on the clock. Michigan was given a green card as action resumed, giving Penn State a player advantage. But the Wolverines gained control of the ball and worked it into the Penn State circle. Love pushed the ball away on the first fast break, but Michigan kept control of possession. Alessie intercepted a pass at 7:45 after the card expired. Michigan had a point-blank chance at 5:15 but Barraco forced the shot wide to keep the game close. Ella Jennes worked the ball away from the Michigan offense at the 2:00 mark but Michigan regained the ball with 1:30 on the clock. Gladioux forced a turnover in the final minute and Penn State trailed 2-1 after three. The teams traded early possessions to start the fourth period until Michigan was able to press the Lion cage at 12:30. Barraco kicked away a Wolverine pass to give the ball back to Penn State, but Michigan quickly took the ball back. Knuvers blocked a Michigan shot over the Penn State cage at 11:15 to keep Penn State within one. A Michigan green card gave the Nittany Lions a player advantage, but Michigan killed the first minute of the penalty and then moved the ball into the Penn State circle. Schnarrs defended a Michigan press, but the Wolverines deftly killed the penalty, and the teams were at even strength once again. As the clock moved below the 9:00 mark, Michigan pressured the Nittany Lion circle. The Lion defense was able to hold off Michigan through the midway point. Barraco then made a series of scrambling saves during a furious flurry at 6:45 to keep the Lions within striking distance. Penn State got called for a yellow card at 5:08 and then Michigan picked up a corner seconds later. The shot off the set was high and Penn State got the free hit at 4:20. A player down, Barraco made another superb save on a Michigan fast break seconds later and the score remained 2-1 in UM's favor. Another Barraco save, then another, kept Penn State close as the clock moved below 3:00 but the Wolverines retained possession leading by one. Michigan worked the clock down to the 1:30 mark. The Nittany Lions worked furiously to try and get the ball back for a late push and with :40 Gladioux grabbed the ball. The Lion senior moved the ball towards the Michigan circle and forced a yellow card on Michigan with :17 left. Penn State then forced a penalty corner with :11 left in the game. Alessie had a late shot on goal, but McMahon made her first save of the game in the final seconds to send Penn State to the tough 2-1 loss. Michigan outshot Penn State 23-5 and had a 6-2 edge in corners. Barraco had a career-best 12 saves to keep Penn State close and McMahon had one for Michigan, in the game's final seconds.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	1	0	0	0	1
Michigan	0	1	1	0	2
STATS:	PSU	MICH			
Shots	5	23			
Corners	2	6			

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME
 1st: PSU – Phia Gladioux (unassisted); 9:21
 2nd: MICH – Isabella Palde (Kate McLaughlin); 10:58
 3rd: MICH – Kate McLaughlin (Rosie Hope); 10:32

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	2	12
MICH: Caylie McMahon	60:00	1	1

#16 PENN STATE 0, #1 NORTHWESTERN 2
Friday, Oct. 20, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (7-7, 2-4 B1G), ranked No. 16 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, dropped a tough 2-0 home game to No. 1 Northwestern (14-1, 6-0 B1G). The Wildcats scored once in the first and last periods to grab the Big Ten conference victory. Nittany Lion goalie Brie Barraco stopped an early Northwestern fast break with good defense at the 13:05 mark. She then made a save on a close NU shot. The Wildcats picked up a corner, but Barraco made a save on the ensuing shot. Northwestern was able to keep the pressure on Penn State, picking up another quick corner. The Wildcats connected on the play with Lauren Wadas scoring at the 11:18 mark to give the Wildcats an early 1-0 lead. Penn State worked the ball downfield where Sophia Gladioux had a hard backhand knocked away by NU keeper Anabel Skubisz at the first period hit its midway point. Skubisz added another save on a tipped ball with 3:00 left in the period

and another on an Ella Jennes backhand with :30 on the clock. Penn State trailed 1-0 after one. Penn State put offensive pressure on Northwestern early in the second period, forcing a corner at the 14:10 mark. Gladioux got two shots off, with one being saved and another high. Penn State was called for a green card at the 12:04 mark and Northwestern picked up a quick corner. Barraco made a diving save on the ensuing shot as the clock moved to the 10:40 mark. A minute later, Penn State picked up another corner, but Northwestern was able to defend the play. Another Penn State green card gave the Wildcats a player advantage with 7:55 on the clock. Penn State killed the penalty but immediately gave up a yellow card for a 5:00 edge. Penn State was able to work the entire penalty off the clock and trailed 1-0 at the halftime break. Penn State outshot Northwestern 6-4 in the first half but NU had a 3-2 edge in corners. Barraco had three saves for the Nittany Lions while Skubisz had four for the Wildcats.

The Nittany Lions blocked a quick Northwestern shot in the first minute of the third period. Penn State then forced a Wildcat turnover with 13:20 on the clock. The teams traded quick possessions over the next few minutes and the clock hit the 10:00 mark with NU still leading 1-0. Neither team threatened until Penn State had a brief push into the Wildcat circle at 8:30. The Lions were unable to connect, though, and Northwestern was back on offense. The clock hit 7:30 with Northwestern still leading by one. Northwestern had a shot sail wide at 4:15 and then Penn State forced a corner with 3:02 on the clock. The NU keeper made a save on Mackenzie Alessie's shot off the set. Skubisz made another save on a Natalie Freeman shot at 1:45 as well and the Nittany Lions trailed 1-0 heading into the final period. Penn State began the fourth stanza by forcing a quick penalty corner at 14:29. Skubisz made a save on Jennes' shot off the set and Penn State got another corner but could not connect on the second play. Kelsey Love defended a quick Northwestern break to give Penn State a chance to drive downfield again with 13:30 left in the fourth. Anouk Knuvers drove the ball into the Lion circle with Penn State eventually forcing a corner at 12:07 but the Wildcat keeper made a save on the following shot. The clock moved through the 8:00 mark with the teams trading possession. Barraco made a kick save on a Wildcat shot at 6:45 to keep Penn State within striking distance. Northwestern was hit with a green card at 4:24. But the Wildcats were able to work the ball down to Penn State's side and forced a corner at 3:15. Wadas was able to score on the play, giving Northwestern a 2-0 lead with 3:08 to play. Penn State pulled its keeper to try and cut into the lead, but the Wildcats were able to kill the clock and post the 2-0 win. Penn State outshot Northwestern 11-8 and had a 6-4 lead in corners. Barraco had four saves for the Nittany Lions and Skubisz had eight for the Wildcats.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	0	0	0	0
Northwestern	1	0	0	1	2
STATS:	PSU	NU			
Shots		11	8		
Corners	6	4			

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME
 1st: NU – Lauren Waldes (Lauren Hunter, Alia Marshall)
 4th: NU – Lauren Waldes (Peyton Halsey, Alia Marshall)

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	57:24	2	4
Team		2:36	0
NU: Annabel Skubisz	60:00	0	8

#16 PENN STATE 2, #5 IOWA 1
Sunday, Oct. 22, 2023 -- University Park, Pa.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (8-7, 3-4 B1G), ranked No. 16 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, took down No. 5 Iowa (12-4, 3-4 B1G) in the home finale for head coach Lisa Bervinchak Love's squad. Sophia Gladioux scored both Penn State goals in a 2-1 victory over the visiting Hawkeyes. Played on a cool and windy day at the Penn State Field Hockey Complex, the two teams played each other evenly over the bulk of the opening period. Penn State survived an early green card, killing the penalty early in the opening stanza. The Nittany Lions forced the game's first penalty corner over 10:00 into the contest but Iowa keeper Mia Magnotta made a save on the Nittany Lion shot. Iowa was able to regain possession after Penn State's corner and worked the ball downfield for the final two minutes. The Hawkeyes took an early 1-0 lead when Alex Wesneski scored with 1:34 left in the period, taking an assist from Miranda Jackson. Iowa carried that one goal lead into the second period. The Nittany Lions controlled action early in the second period, reeling off two Julia Lamb shots and a Gladioux effort. But Magnotta made a save and the other two were blocked and Penn State continued to trail through the first five minutes of the second period. Nittany Lion keeper Brie Barraco made a great save on an Iowa shot with 7:11 on the clock, keeping the Lions close. The Nittany Lions regained possession and worked the ball downfield, eventually forcing a penalty corner at the 3:05 mark. Gladioux tied the game up off the corner set, scoring with 2:58 on the clock, taking assists from Ella Jennes and Madison Tambroni. Gladioux's goal knotted the score at 1-1 and it held into the halftime break. Penn State outshot Iowa 8-7 in the first half and had the only two corners in the first 30:00. Both Barraco and Magnotta had five saves each.

The Nittany Lions forced an early penalty corner but Penn State' shot off the set sailed high. Iowa quickly worked the ball back to the Penn State circle and Barraco made two fast saves on a couple Hawkeye shots with just over 12:00 on the clock. Penn State rallied off Barraco's save, working the ball into the Hawkeye circle where Gladioux fired off a pair of shots. Magnotta made a save on the first, but Gladioux found the back of the cage on the second, putting Penn State on top 2-1 with 10:33 on the clock. Barraco tallied three more saves over the third period's final minutes and the Nittany Lions survived a late yellow card to lead 2-1 heading into the final period. The fourth period was an evenly played affair with Barraco and Magnotta each notching saves in goal. Penn State was hit with a yellow card early in the period and effectively killed the advantage. But Iowa was hit with two yellow cards within two minutes of each other in the game's final seven minutes. While the Hawkeyes were able to kill off the two- and one-player edges, it effectively worked the clock down to its final minute with Penn State holding on to a one goal lead. The Nittany Lion defense was able to work time off the clock and walked off the field with a thrilling 2-1 victory. Both teams had 15 shots during the game and Penn State had a 6-3 edge in penalty corners. Barraco collected 11 saves while Magnotta had eight for Iowa.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	0	1	1	0	2
Iowa		1	0	0	0 2

STATS:	PSU	IOWA
Shots		15
Corners	6	3

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

1st: IOWA – Alex Wesneski (Miranda Jackson); 1:34
 2nd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (Madison Tambroni, Ella Jennes); 2:58
 3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 10:33

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	1	11
IOWA: Mia Magnotta	60:00	2	8

SCORING SUMMARY (goal/assist) – TIME

1st: PSU – Mackenzie Allesie (penalty stroke); 13:45
 2nd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (unassisted); 0:19
 3rd: IU – Yip van Wonderen (unassisted); 13:08
 3rd: PSU – Phia Gladieux (Anouk Knuvers); 2:41

GOALKEEPERS:	MIN	GA	S
PSU: Brie Barraco	60:00	1	4
IU: Arabella Loveridge	60:00	3	7

#15 PENN STATE 3, INDIANA 1

Friday, Oct. 27, 2023 -- Bloomington, Ind.

The Penn State Nittany Lion field hockey team (9-7, 4-4 B1G), ranked No. 15 in the National Field Hockey Coaches Association (NFHCA) Coaches Poll, grabbed a 3-1 win at Indiana (5-13, 0-8 B1G) in the regular season finale for head coach Lisa Bervinchak Love's team. Sophia Gladieux scored twice in the Big Ten road win.

Penn State came out with quick pressure on offense and forced a penalty corner just over 1:00 into the game. Gladieux had her shot off the set saved by IU goalie Arabella Loveridge and Drew Taylor took a quick rebound shot that forced a penalty stroke for the Nittany Lions. Mackenzie Allesie knocked the free shot into the cage for a Penn State 1-0 lead at 13:45. Indiana was able to move the ball down to Penn State's side at the 11:00 mark but Penn State easily regained possession. Penn State picked up a second corner at 8:21. Loveridge made a save on the first Lion shot, Penn State picked up another corner and Loveridge made another quick save. Penn State continued to pressure the IU cage, but the Hoosier defense held. Jemimah Cookson moved the ball into the Penn State circle for Indiana, but Anouk Knuvers and the Penn State defense regained possession as the clock hit 6:00. A Penn State turnover gave Indiana possession with just under 3:00 left in the opening period. Indiana eventually moved the ball to the Lion cage and picked up its first penalty corner of the game with 1:10 on the clock. Nittany Lion keeper Brie Barraco made a save on the first shot and a second went wide. Indiana sustained the pressure and picked up another corner at :39. Yip van Wonderen's shot found the netting but was too high and Penn State carried a 1-0 lead into the second stanza. Indiana opened the second period pushing the ball into the Nittany Lion circle. While the Penn State defense continued to hold, Indiana maintained possession for the bulk of the first three minutes of period two. Lion defender Gery Schnarrs tipped away a slick IU pass that moved in front of the Lion cage to briefly break up Indiana's press. Kelsey Love intercepted a Hoosier pass with 9:30 on the clock, Indiana regained the ball and had a shot sail wide of the Lion cage at 8:50. Penn State withstood continued Indiana pressure as the clock hit 7:30 and then an Indiana turnover relieved the pressure at 6:00. The Hoosiers once again moved the ball into the Lion zone and had a shot sail wide with 4:00 on the clock. Schnarrs intercepted a pass in the Penn State circle at 2:00 and began a fast break that led to a quick Gladieux shot at 1:40. But Loveridge made the save and Indiana moved back downfield. Barraco made a kick save at :50 and Penn State quickly pushed the ball in the final minute. Gladieux finished off a fast break, dribbling through the Indiana defense and sailing a backhand past the IU keeper with just :19 left in the half to send the Nittany Lions to the break with a 2-0 lead. Indiana outshot Penn State 7-6 in the first half. Barraco had two saves for the Nittany Lions and Loveridge had three for the Hoosiers. Penn State had a 3-2 edge in corners as well.

The teams traded possessions in the early stages of the third period until Indiana was able to push the ball into the Penn State circle. The Hoosiers were able to cut the Penn State lead in half quickly in the third quarter with a van Wonderen solo goal from the top of the Penn State circle at 13:08. Trailing 2-1, Indiana continued to pressure the Penn State defense after its initial goal. Penn State was able to hold off IU and break the press at 11:00. As the clock moved to the 8:30 mark, Penn State looked to win the ball in the midfield, but Indiana stole the ball and Barraco made a kick save on a fast break shot with just over 8:00 on the clock. Penn State was able to work the ball downfield and Allesie forced a corner at 6:50. Loveridge made a save on the ensuing shot and the game continued with Penn State up 2-1. Penn State began to pressure Indiana a bit more and another corner was awarded with 4:20 left in the period. Loveridge made another save on the play to keep the score at 2-1 in Penn State's favor. Indiana quickly pushed the ball downfield and forced Barraco into another kick save at 3:45. Penn State returned with a fast break of its own, but a shot sailed wide seconds later. Penn State used another corner to score again, with Gladieux scoring with 2:49 on the clock with an assist from Anouk Knuvers. After a brief Penn State press to start the fourth quarter, Indiana moved the ball downfield and had an early shot blocked at the 12:30 mark. Penn State regained possession and pressed downfield but the Hoosier defense held. Penn State gave up a green card at the 11:25 mark but easily killed the penalty to even up the sides. With 9:00 left and a two-goal lead, Penn State worked to keep the ball on the Hoosier side. Indiana managed to work the ball into the Penn State circle with 8:30 on the clock but Barraco and the Nittany Lion defense held through the midway point of the final quarter. The final minutes of the regular season's final period were an even battle with Penn State stifling any Hoosier attempt to pressure the Lion cage. Penn State forced a late penalty corner at 2:33 but Loveridge notched another save. Penn State picked up another corner seconds later and a final one with :03 on the clock but the Hoosier defense held on the play and the Nittany Lions settled on a 3-1 win. The Nittany Lions outshot Indiana 14-11 over the course of the game and had a 9-2 penalty corner advantage. Barraco had four saves for the Nittany Lions and Loveridge had seven for the Hoosiers.

GAME BREAKDOWN

SCORING:	1	2	3	4	FINAL
PENN STATE	1	1	1	0	3
Indiana	0	0	1	0	1

STATS:	PSU	IU
Shots	14	11
Corners	9	2

