

Day 3 – World Ringette Championship in Sweden

Game #1 USA vs Canada

Day 3 of the 2004 World Ringette Championships saw Canada turn it on with a 10-1 victory over Team USA. Canada's game MVP, Danielle Hobday, pumped in 2 goals and added an assist in the winning effort. Barb Bautista earned a hat trick and singles came from Kim Beach, Sharolyn Wouters, Jennifer Gaudet, Shelly Hruska and Megan Todd. Elisa Proutt's stellar effort in net for Team USA earned her the game MVP award as she turned back a multitude of shots in the determined Canadian attack. The lone goal for Team USA was scored by Melanie Thomas with an assist to Danielle Reid. The win puts Team Canada in the gold medal game on Saturday against Finland while Team USA will face Sweden in the bronze medal game.

Game #2 Sweden vs Finland

Team Finland dominated their opponent Sweden in the final game of the round robin schedule, scoring a 9-0 victory. Kirsi Pukkila was MVP for Team Finland with 2 goals and an assist, which was matched by teammate Salla Kyhala. Elina Raesola also added a pair of goals while singles were notched by Anna-Kaisa Raesola, Petra Ojaranta, and Jenna Nuttunen. Game MVP for Team Sweden was Hannah Boman, a young star of the future, who was excellent in relief in net during the final two frames.

Tomorrow is a day off and the chance for these national team athletes to enjoy the junior 15 & under tournament in Sollentuna that will feature 2 teams from Sweden, 3 from Finland and one from Canada.

Standings at the end of Day 3:

1. Finland 3-0
2. Canada 2-1
3. USA 1-2
4. Sweden 0-3

Gold Medal Game will be Finland vs Canada, 12:00 noon on Saturday, November 27

Bronze Medal Game will be USA vs Sweden, 9:00am on Saturday, November 27