



FIELD HOCKEY

TEAM NOTES

- Virginia is No.8 in the Week 4 NFHCA poll, the 16th consecutive poll being ranked in the top 10
- Virginia again leads the nation in strength of schedule (“opponent success”). UVA also played the toughest schedule in the nation last season
- Friday’s game against Duke is the third top-five opponent in a five-game span for UVA and fourth top 10 in that same time frame
- All but three of UVA’s opponents this season have been ranked during the year
- Nine Cavaliers have scored at least one goal this season
- Virginia has had 19 student-athletes appear in games this season (not counting goalkeepers), 15 of them have contributed at least one point
- UVA has had six different players score the game-winning goals: **Minnie Pollock, Noa Boterman, Taryn Tkachuk, Mia Abello and Laura Janssen, Adele Iacobucci**
- **Adele Iacobucci** netted the game-winner at Miami. She has two goals this season, both game-winners. She is the only player with two game-winning goals this season
- **Daniela Mendez-Trendler** is ranked in the top 10 in the ACC in assists per game (5th, 0.45), goals per game (8th, 0.45) and points per game (9th, 1.36)
- Mendez-Trendler leads the team with 15 points with a team-best 5 goals and tied for the team lead with 4 assists
- Mendez-Trendler has yet to score the game-winning goal this season
- Mendez-Trendler has had a goal or an assist in seven of 11 games this season
- Grad student **Laura Janssen** has a career-best four assists this season. She had five assists in her first four seasons combined
- Junior **Noa Boterman** has four goals and nine points this season. In both her freshman and sophomore seasons, she finished with five goals and 11 points
- Boterman is 2-of-3 on penalty strokes this season
- Boterman leads the ACC with three defensive saves
- Miami (Ohio) did not have a shot on goal in Sunday’s 2-0 shutout. It was the second time this season the UVA defense kept the opponent from taking a shot on goal. Temple had zero shots in that 6-0 loss
- The Miami win was UVA’s third shutout of the season

CAPTAINS

- **Meghen Hengerer** is in her second season as a team captain
- **Laura Janssen** and **Noa Boterman** are also captains this year, the first time for both

GOALKEEPERS

- Junior goalkeeper **Tyler Kennedy** has started every game this season for the Cavaliers
- Kennedy is second in the ACC in saves per game at 3.64
- She matched her season high with seven saves last Friday at Syracuse
- Kennedy logged her fifth career shutout against Harvard
- In 36 career games, Kennedy has a .732 save percentage
- Freshman goalkeeper **Nilou Lempers** subbed into the Liberty game, playing the fourth quarter. She made one save in 15 minutes in her collegiate debut

FRESHMEN

- **Mia Abello**, who is on the USWNT roster, is tied for third on the team in points with seven and had a goal or an assist in three straight games (Saint Joseph’s, Temple and William & Mary). She has started every game this year
- **Minnie Pollock**, who hails from England, also has seven points on three goals with an assist. She moved into the starting lineup at William & Mary
- **Emma Watchilla**, who was a top-10 recruit in the Max Field Hockey Class of 2023, scored her first career goal at William & Mary

PRESEASON ALL-ACC

- Sophomore midfielder **Daniela Mendez-Trendler** was named to the 10-player Preseason All-ACC team
- She earned All-ACC First Team honors last year with eight goals and 19 points and was a third-team All-American

NFHCA PRESEASON WATCH LIST

- **Mia Abello, Daniela Mendez-Trendler, Adele Iacobucci, Laura Janssen** and **Madison Orsi** were all named to the NFHCA Preseason Watch list

PRESEASON POLLS

- Virginia is picked to finish second in the ACC, receiving three of seven first-place votes
- The Cavaliers were No. 6 in the NFHCA Preseason Poll

2023 SCHEDULE

7-4 (1-2 ACC)

Aug. 14	at American (EXH)	
Aug. 16	LONGWOOD (EXH)	
Aug. 25	#5 PENN STATE	W, 2-1
Aug. 29	#14 LIBERTY	L, 3-1
Sep. 1	at #11 Saint Joseph’s	W, 2-1
Sep. 3	at Temple	W, 6-0
Sep. 8	at William & Mary	W, 6-1
Sep. 10	#14 HARVARD	W, 1-0
Sep. 15	#14 BOSTON COLLEGE*	L, 2-1
Sep. 18	#5 MARYLAND	L, 2-1
Sep. 22	at #10 Syracuse*	W2OT, 3-2
Sep. 29	at #5 Louisville*	L, 2-0
Oct. 1	at Miami University	W, 2-0
Oct. 6	#4 DUKE*	5 pm
Oct. 13	at Wake Forest*	5 pm
Oct. 15	at #4 Duke	3:30 pm
Oct. 20	#1 NORTH CAROLINA*	4 pm
Oct. 24	at James Madison	5 pm

*ACC Contests **HOME GAMES** in **BOLD**

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MORGAN’S MESSAGE

- Friday’s game is the field hockey team’s annual Morgan’s Message game and part of a week-long Mental Health Awareness week for the UVA Athletics Department
- This is UVA field hockey’s third annual Morgan’s Message game
- Morgan’s Message “strives to eliminate the stigma surrounding mental health within the student-athlete community and equalize the treatment of physical and mental health in athletics. We aim to expand the dialogue on mental health by normalizing conversations, empowering those who suffer in silence, and supporting those who feel alone.”
- Both the Cavaliers and Blue Devils will be wearing special t-shirts during warm-ups and have worked together to create a video that will be played during halftime
- “Morgan” of Morgan’s Message was Morgan Rodgers, a lacrosse player at Duke who died by suicide July 11, 2019 at the age of 22
- For more information, visit MorgansMessage.org

2023 CAVALIER SEASON HIGHS

POINTS

5..... Dani Mendez-Trendler at Temple

Goals

2..... Dani Mendez-Trendler at Temple

ASSISTS

3..... Laura Janssen, at W&M

SHOTS

5..... Dani Mendez-Trendler vs Liberty

SAVES

7..... Tyler Kennedy, twice last at 'Cuse

TEAM TOTALS

GOALS

6..... at Temple, W&M

ASSISTS

8..... at W&M

POINTS

20..... at W&M

SHOTS

19..... at Miami (Ohio)

SHOTS ON GOAL

12..... at Syracuse

SAVES

8..... twice

PENALTY CORNERS

13..... at Miami (Ohio)

VS. DUKE

- Friday's game is the first of two between the two teams in a two-week span. This Friday's game is the one that will count as a conference contest. The game on Sunday, Oct. 15 will be considered a non-conference contest. The game on the 15th will air on the ACC Network
- This is the second-to-last regular-season home game for the Cavaliers. Their last home game will be Friday, Oct. 20 against No. 1 North Carolina. Turf Field will also serve as the host site for the 2023 ACC Field Hockey Championship
- Duke head coach Pam Bustin was an assistant coach for Michele Madison at Michigan State (1992-97)
- Virginia leads the all-time series 40-22 and has won the last two meetings

NATIONAL PLAYER OF WEEK - SEPT 12

- Tyler Kennedy was named the NFHCA Division I National Defensive Player of the Week and the ACC Defensive Player of the Week after logging a combined eight saves in the wins against William & Mary and Harvard (Sept. 12)
- The Harvard game was her second shutout of the season and the fifth of her career
- It was the first career ACC Player of the Week honor in her career and her first NFHCA national honor
- She is the first Cavalier to be named the NFHCA National Player of the Week since goalkeeper Taylor Henriksen in the 2020 season

ACC PLAYER OF THE WEEK- AUG. 29

- Laura Janssen was named the ACC Offensive Player of the Week in the first honors of the season (Aug. 29) for scoring the game-tying goal and assisting on the game-winning goal against Penn State
- It was Janssen's first career ACC Player of the Week honor

SENIOR WOMEN'S NATIONAL TEAMS

- **Mia Abello** is on the 2023-24 USWNT roster. She was also named to the team in 2022-23 while she was still in high school (The Kinkaid School, Houston, Texas), but she has yet to earn an international cap with the senior women's national team
- **Jans Croon** is a member of the US Women's National Hockey5s Team, helping to lead the squad to a gold medal and the 2023 Pan Am Cup and earn a spot in the Hockey5s World Cup that will be held in Oman in January 2024
- **Lauren Kenah** is on the US Women's National Indoor Team and suited up for the squad at the 2023 Women's World Cup in February, 2023 in Pretoria, South Africa

JUNIOR NATIONAL TEAMS

- **Jans Croon, Mia Abello, Madison Orsi and Daniela Mendez-Trendler** are members of the US U21 team that won gold at the 2023 Junior Pan American Championships in Barbados in April
- All four have been named to the roster for the 2023 FIH Hockey Women's Junior World Cup, being held in December in Santiago, Chile

HEAD COACH MICHELE MADISON

- Head coach **Michele Madison** is in her 18th season at Virginia and her 35th overall as a head coach
- She ranks third among active DI coaches in wins with 450 (most of any active ACC coach). She ranks eighth overall on the all-time win list
- Madison was inducted into the National Field Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame in 2013 and was named the 2017 ACC Coach of the Year
- Madison is one of only two active Division I head coaches to be a part of two United States Olympic staffs, having worked as a manager with the 1988 Olympic Team in Seoul and served as the head goalkeeper coach with the 1996 squad in Atlanta

ACC STANDINGS

1.	Duke	3-0	9-1
2.	North Carolina	2-0	8-1
3.	Louisville	1-1	9-1
4.	Boston College	1-2	7-4
	VIRGINIA	1-2	7-4
	Syracuse	1-2	8-3
7.	Wake Forest	0-2	4-5

PENN MONTO NFHCA COACHES POLL

(Week 5, Oct. 3)

1	North Carolina	8-1	828 (13)
2	Northwestern	11-1	795 (15)
3	Iowa	10-1	754 (9)
4	Duke	10-1	742 (1)
5	Louisville	9-1	715 (3)
6	Rutgers	10-0	671 (4)
7	Ohio State	11-2	577 (0)
8	Virginia	7-4	566 (0)
9	Maryland	8-3	521 (0)
10	Liberty	10-1	487 (0)
11	Boston College	7-4	427 (0)
12	Syracuse	8-3	424 (0)
13	Harvard	7-3	388 (0)
14	Saint Joseph's	9-3	338 (0)
15	Michigan	6-5	275 (0)
16	Pennsylvania State	5-5	185 (0)
17	UMass Lowell	9-2	118 (0)
18	Albany	7-3	99 (0)
19	UMass	7-5	97 (0)
20	Cornell	6-3	77 (0)

NFHCA RANKINGS

- Virginia has been ranked in the top-25 every single week since the 2012 preseason poll
- Virginia was ranked No. 12 in the 2022 preseason poll, returning to the top-10 in the Week 1 poll where the Cavaliers have remained since
- The Cavaliers were No. 6 in the 2023 preseason poll

2023 Virginia Field Hockey Virginia Game-by-Game Goals-Assists-Points (as of Oct 02, 2023) All games

Opponent	Date	Score	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	11	12	13
			ABELLO,MIA	KNOL,ANNEL	CROON,JANS	SHAH,ESHA	KENAH,LAUR	TKACHUK,TA	NEMEC,CARO	ORSI,MADIS	HENGERER,L	HENGERER,M	IACOBUCCI,
PSU	08/25/23	2-1 W	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
LIBERTY	08/29/23	1-3 L	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0
at SJU	Sep 01	2-1 W	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0
at TEM	Sep 03	6-0 W	1-1-3	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0
at WM	Sep 08	6-1 W	1-0-2	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1
HARV	09/10/23	1-0 W	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0
BC	Sep 15	1-2 L	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0
UMD	09/18/23	1-2 L	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
at SU	Sep 22	3-2 W	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2
at LOU	Sep 29	0-2 L	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
at MIAMI	Oct 01	2-0 W	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2

Opponent	Date	Score	14	15	18	19	20	21	23	24	25	26
			POLLOCK,MI	JANSSEN,LA	DAVIDSON,S	MENDEZ,TRE	LEMPERS,NI	CONNORS,ME	WATCHILLA,	KENNEDY,TY	BOTERMAN,N	FIELD,EMIL
PSU	08/25/23	2-1 W	1-1-3	1-1-3	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
LIBERTY	08/29/23	1-3 L	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
at SJU	Sep 01	2-1 W	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-1-1
at TEM	Sep 03	6-0 W	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-1-1	2-1-5	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1
at WM	Sep 08	6-1 W	1-0-2	0-3-3	0-0-0	1-1-3	DNP	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-1-1
HARV	09/10/23	1-0 W	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
BC	Sep 15	1-2 L	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
UMD	09/18/23	1-2 L	0-0-0	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0
at SU	Sep 22	3-2 W	0-0-0	1-0-2	DNP	1-0-2	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0
at LOU	Sep 29	0-2 L	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
at MIAMI	Oct 01	2-0 W	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-1-1

2023 Virginia Field Hockey
Virginia Individual Game-by-Game (as of Oct 02, 2023)
All games

#24 Tyler Kennedy

Saves per game: 0.00;Goals per game: 0.00
 Assists per game: 0.00;Points per game: 0.00

Date	Opponent	Score	GP	GS	Minutes	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Save%	W	L	T	Sho
08/25/23	PENN STATE	2-1	*	*	60:00	1	1.00	6	.857	1	0	0	-
08/29/23	LIBERTY	1-3	*	*	45:00	3	2.29	2	.667	1	1	0	-
Sep 01, 2023	at Saint Joseph's	2-1	*	*	60:00	1	1.82	3	.688	2	1	0	-
Sep 03, 2023	at Temple	6-0	*	*	60:00	0	1.33	0	.688	3	1	0	1
Sep 08, 2023	at William & Mary	6-1	*	*	60:00	1	1.26	4	.714	4	1	0	-
09/10/23	HARVARD	1-0	*	*	60:00	0	1.04	4	.760	5	1	0	1
Sep 15, 2023	BOSTON COLLEGE	1-2	*	*	57:21	2	1.19	7	.765	5	2	0	-
09/18/23	MARYLAND	1-2	*	*	60:00	2	1.30	3	.744	5	3	0	-
Sep 22, 2023	at Syracuse	3-2	*	*	79:33	2	1.33	7	.750	6	3	0	-
Sep 29, 2023	at Louisville	0-2	*	*	60:00	2	1.40	4	.741	6	4	0	-

The Automated ScoreBook
Virginia Individual Game-by-Game (as of Aug 30, 2023)
All games

#20 Nilou Lempers

Date	Opponent	Score	GP	GS	Minutes	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Save%	W	L	T	Sho
08/29/23	LIBERTY	1-3	*		15:00	0	0.00	1	1.000	0	0	0	-
			1	0	15:00	0	0.00	1	1.000	0	0	0	-

2023 ROSTER & PRONUNCIATIONS

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School
1	Ria Chhina	M	5-5	Fr.	Chantilly, Va. / Riverside High
2	Mia Abello	B	5-6	Fr.	Houston, Texas / The Kinkaid School
3	Anneloes Knol	S	5-10	Sr.	Utrecht, Netherlands
4	Jans Croon	B	5-6	Jr.	San Diego, Calif. / Torrey Pines
5	Esha Shah	S	5-8	Sr.	Ellicott City, Md. / Mt. Hebron High
6	Lauren Kenah	M	5-5	So.	Franconia, Pa. / Souderton Area High
7	Taryn Tkachuk	S	5-8	Jr.	St. Louis, Mo. / Villa Duchesne
8	Caroline Nemeck	M	5-2	So.	Darien, Conn. / Sacred Heart Greenwich
9	Madison Orsi	M	5-7	So.	Downington, Pa. / The Hill School
10	Rachel Buttinger	M	5-9	Gr.	Waterloo, Canada / California
11	Lilly Hengerer	M	5-8	Sr.	Bedminster, N.J. / Bernards High School
12	Meghen Hengerer	M	5-9	Sr.	Bedminster, N.J. / Bernards High School
13	Adele Iacobucci	M	5-8	Gr.	Malvern, Pa. / Villa Maria Academy
14	Minnie Pollock	S	5-3	Fr.	Harrogate, England
15	Laura Janssen	S	5-6	Gr.	Nijmegen, Netherlands / Kandinsky College
18	Sloan Davidson	S	5-7	So.	Houston, Tex. / St. John's School
19	Daniela Mendez-Trendler	M	5-9	So.	Reisterstown, Md. / Garrison Forest
20	Nilou Lempers	GK	5-8	Fr.	Amsterdam, Netherlands
21	Megan Connors	B	5-2	Gr.	San Diego, Calif. / California
23	Emma Watchilla	S	5-5	Fr.	Kingston, Pa. / Wyoming Seminary
24	Tyler Kennedy	GK	5-7	Jr.	Houston, Tex. / St. John's School
25	Noa Boterman	M	5-6	Jr.	Laren, Netherlands
26	Emily Field	B	5-4	Jr.	Mechanicsville, Va. / Trinity Episcopal
87	Jackie Stinger	GK	5-4	Jr.	Malvern, Pa. / Villa Maria Academy

Head Coach: Michele Madison, 18th season at Virginia, 35th overall (Rutgers, 1984)
Associate Head Coach: Ole Keusgen, 9th season (Ruhr University Bochum, 2015)
Assistant Coach: Alyssa Parker, 3rd Season (Maryland, 2016)
Assistant Coach: Annie Zinkavich, 5th Season (Penn State, 2004)

Pronunciation Guide

Jans Croon YAHNS
 Adele Iacobucci ACK-ah-BOO-chee
 Laura Janssen JAN-sen
 Lauren Kenah ken-UH
 Anneloes Knol Anna-loose KAH-nole
 Nilou Lempers KNEE-lou Lem-purrs
 Caroline Nemeck KNEE-mick
 Esha Shah EE-shah SHA
 Taryn Tkachuck KTAH-chuck

Ole Keusgen Ollie KOYES-gen
 Annie Zinkavich zin-CAV-itch

2023 BROADCAST ROSTER



1 Ria Chhina
Fr. Midfield
Chantilly, Va.



2 Mia Abello
Fr. Back
Houston, Texas



3 Anneloes Knol
Sr. Midfield
Utrecht, Netherlands



4 Jans Croon
Jr. Back
San Diego, Calif.



5 Esha Shah
Sr. Striker
Ellicott City, Md.



6 Lauren Kenah
So. Midfield
Franconia, Pa.



7 Taryn Tkachuk
Jr. Striker
St. Louis, Mo.



8 Caroline Nemece
So. Midfield
Darien, Conn.



9 Madison Orsi
So. Midfield
Downington, Pa.



10 Rachel Buttinger
Gr. Midfield
Waterloo, Canada



11 Lilly Hengerer
Sr. Striker
Bedminster, N.J.



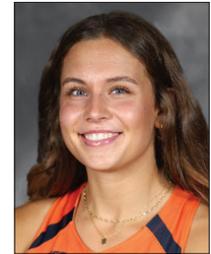
12 Meghan Hengerer
Sr. Midfield
Bedminster, N.J.



13 Adele Iacobucci
Gr. Midfield
Malvern, Pa.



14 Minnie Pollock
Fr. Midfield
Harrogate, England



15 Laura Janssen
Gr. Striker
Nijmegen, Netherlands



18 Sloan Davidson
So. Midfield
Houston, Tex.



19 Daniela Mendez-Trendler
So. Midfield
Towson, Md.



20 Nilou Lempers
Fr. Goalie
Amsterdam, Netherlands



21 Megan Connors
Gr. Midfield
San Diego, Calif.



23 Emma Watchilla
Fr. Midfield
Kingston, Pa.



24 Tyler Kennedy
Jr. Goalie
Houston, Tex.



25 Noa Boterman
Jr. Midfield
Laren, Netherlands



26 Emily Field
Jr. Back
Mechanicsville, Va.



87 Jackie Stinger
Jr. Goalie
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