



FIELD HOCKEY

TEAM NOTES

- Virginia remained at No. 3 in the Week 1 NFHCA Poll
- Virginia is one of 10 unbeaten teams left in NCAA Division I
- In the first three games of the season, seven different Cavaliers have scored goals and four others have assisted on goals, giving UVA 11 players with points
- Five Cavaliers have scored their first career goals in the first three games, including a trio of juniors: **Caroline Nemec, Sloan Davidson and Lauren Kenah**
- Grad student **Suze Leemans** scored her first career goal against Temple, and added two more goals over that weekend to be named the ACC Offensive Player of the Week
- Leemans' 1.00 goals per game average leads the ACC
- Leemans is a grad student, but this is her first year playing collegiate field hockey
- Senior back **Emily Field** leads the team with three assists
- Field's 1.00 assists per game average leads the ACC and ranks third in the nation
- Goalkeeper **Tyler Kennedy** earned her second career ACC Defensive Player of the Week honor after making a combined 11 saves against Temple and Liberty last week
- The win against Temple was Kennedy's eighth career shutout
- Kennedy has a .846 save percentage this year, ranking second in the ACC and eighth in the nation
- Virginia leads the ACC with 3.67 goals per game, ranking 10th in the nation
- UVA is second in the ACC and eighth in the nation with a 0.67 goals against average
- Maryland is the third ranked team UVA has faced this year and its first top-five opponent
- UVA will face 10 teams ranked in the top 20 of the preseason NFHCA Coaches Poll including three games against top-five teams. Last season, Virginia was ranked No. 1 in strength of schedule

MATCH-UP NOTES VS. MARYLAND

- The two teams met last year in the NCAA Quarterfinals in College Park with Virginia posting a 4-0 victory to advance to their sixth NCAA Final Four
- The Cavaliers held the Terps to one shot on goal in the game
- Virginia also topped Maryland in the 2019 NCAA Quarterfinals, winning that game 1-0 in overtime
- Maryland won last year's regular season meeting 2-1 in Charlottesville
- Maryland leads the all-time series 46-23-2

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 and was not on the Olympic roster
- **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
- **Madison Orsi** has been named to the roster for the 2024-25 US Women's National Indoor team. The senior squad will participate in the RohrMax Cup from December 30 to January 6 in Vienna, Austria before the 2025 FIH Indoor Hockey World Cup (IHCW) to be held February 3 to 9 in Porec, Croatia
- **Lauren Kenah** was 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 and Daniela Mendez-Trendler** are members of the US U21 team that won silver at the 2024 Junior Pan American Championships in Surrey, British Columbia in July, qualifying for next year's World Cup
- They also played on the gold-medal winning 2023 Junior Pan American Championships Barbados and the 2023 FIH Hockey Women's Junior World Cup in Santiago, Chile, last December

2024 SCHEDULE

3-0 (0-0 ACC)

Aug. 18	at Liberty (SCRIMMAGE)	
Aug. 24	RICHMOND (SCRIMMAGE)	
Aug. 30	at #16 Penn State	W, 2-1
Sep. 6	TEMPLE	W, 7-0
Sep. 8	at #11 Liberty	W, 2-1
Sep. 13	at #5 Maryland	7 pm
Sep. 15	vs American	11 am
Sep. 20	CALIFORNIA*	6 pm
Sep. 22	STANFORD*	1 pm
Sep. 27	at #4 Duke*	5 pm
Sep. 29	WILLIAM & MARY	1 pm
Oct. 4	at #17 Boston College*	4:30 pm
Oct. 6	#9 LOUISVILLE*	12 pm
Oct. 13	#13 SAINT JOSEPH'S	12 pm
Oct. 18	#14 SYRACUSE*	5 pm
Oct. 20	MIAMI UNIVERSITY	12 pm
Oct. 25	at #2 North Carolina*	5 pm
Nov. 1	at Wake Forest*	5 pm

ACC Tournament - at Wake Forest - Nov. 5-8

NCAA 1st & 2nd Rounds - Nov. 15-17

NCAA Semis & Finals - at Michigan - Nov. 22-24

*ACC Contests HOME GAMES in BOLD

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OLYMPIC GOLD MEDALIST

- Former Cavalier **Pien Dicke** won a gold medal at the 2024 Paris Olympics, playing for the Netherlands
- Dicke was the 2017 ACC Freshman of the Year and a First-Team All-American in her lone season with the Cavaliers before returning to the Netherlands to begin competing in the Dutch national team system
- Dicke is the first medalist in program history and the third Olympian, joining Michelle Vittese (Team USA, London 2012 and Rio 2016) and Paige Selenski (Team USA London 2012)
- Dicke had been a reserve on the team and was moved to the active roster for the gold medal match against China after Joosje Burg suffered a broken nose in the semifinal victory against Argentina.

2023 CAVALIER SEASON HIGHS

POINTS

5..... Dani Mendez-Trendler at Temple
..... Taryn Tkachuk at Wake

GOALS

2..... Several

ASSISTS

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

SHOTS

8..... Noa Boterman at Miami

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

20..... at James Madison

SHOTS ON GOAL

12..... at Syracuse

SAVES

8..... twice

PENALTY CORNERS

13..... at Miami (Ohio)

HEAD COACH OLE KEUSGEN

- Ole Keusgen has been a member of the coaching staff since 2015. He spent six years as an assistant coach and three as the associate head coach before being named the head coach on Nov. 21, 2023
- This is his 10th season with the team
- He was the acting head coach for the final six games of the 2023 season (one regular season game, two ACC Championship games and three NCAA Tournament games), going 4-2 in those contests including leading the team to the NCAA Semifinals
- As acting head coach, Keusgen guided the Cavaliers to a 3-2 comeback victory against Syracuse in the quarterfinals of the ACC Championship and, in a signature victory, defeated fourth-seeded Maryland 4-0 in the NCAA quarterfinals with the UVA defense holding the Terrapins to just one shot on goal
- In his time in Charlottesville, Keusgen has helped lead the team to the 2016 ACC Championship and the 2019 and 2023 NCAA Semifinals as well as eight NCAA tournament bids
- Keusgen was the head coach of the U.S. U-19 Women's National Team in 2019 after serving as a coach for the program and a mentor for the Junior High Performance program in 2017. He has also served as the head coach of the US Rise National Team, the de-facto U-19 junior national team
- Keusgen has been playing field hockey since the age of six, including playing professionally in Germany with one of the most successful field hockey clubs in European history, Uhlenhorst Mülheim, winning the German Indoor championship in 2015 and the Euro Indoor Club Cup in 2015

ASSISTANT COACHES

- **Carrera Lucas** was named as an assistant coach in February
- Lucas was a member of the Virginia field hockey team for five seasons (2014-18), including the Cavaliers' 2016 ACC Championship campaign, twice being named to the Longstreth/NFHCA All-South Region Second Team. In her final season, the goalkeeper led the ACC in save percentage (ranking fourth in the NCAA) and saves per game, earning two ACC Defensive Player of the Week nods as well as being named the NFHCA National Defensive Player of the Week and earning an invitational to play in the Victory Sports Tours/NFHCA Senior Game
- After graduating from Virginia, Lucas spent five seasons as an assistant coach at Villanova, focusing on coaching the team's goalkeepers. In 2022, she helped lead the team to its most victories since 2006 and the fifth-best winning percentage in program history. In 2023, the Wildcats made the BIG EAST semifinals for the first time since 2018
- Assistant coach **Alyssa Parker** is away from the team on maternity leave

ACC PRESEASON POLL

1	Virginia (4)	76
2	North Carolina (4)	75
3	Duke (1)	63
T-4	Louisville	46
T-4	Syracuse	46
6	Boston College	40
7	Wake Forest	29
T-8	California	15
T-8	Stanford	15

PENN MONT NFHCA COACHES POLL

(Week 1, Sewpt. 10)

1	Northwestern	4-0	995 (45)
2	North Carolina	4-0	967 (6)
3	VIRGINIA	3-0	883 (0)
4	Duke	3-1	814 (0)
5	Maryland	3-1	805 (0)
6	Iowa	2-1	695 (0)
7	Harvard	2-0	641 (0)
8	Ohio State	4-0	595 (0)
9	Louisville	2-2	523 (0)
10	Michigan	3-1	497 (0)
11	Rutgers	2-1	441 (0)
12	Liberty	2-1	411 (0)
13	Saint Joseph's	2-1	393 (0)
14	Syracuse	2-1	389 (0)
15	Princeton	1-1	388 (0)
16	Connecticut	4-0	320 (0)
17	Boston College	2-2	306 (0)
18	Old Dominion	4-0	213 (0)
19	Albany	3-1	104 (0)
20	UMASS, Lowell	2-2	41 (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

SEASON PREVIEW

- The Cavaliers posted a 14-7 record in 2023, advancing to the NCAA Semifinals, it's sixth Final Four appearance in program history
- The team returns its top three scorers from last year, including All-American senior midfielder **Noa Boterman**, junior midfielder **Daniela Mendez-Trendler** and senior striker **Taryn Tkachuk**
- **Noa Boterman**, a 2023 second-team All-American and All-ACC second teamer, was named a member of the All-ACC second team with 19 points on eight goals and three assists. She also led the ACC and ranked fourth in the nation with five defensive saves. She scored two goals, including the game-winner, in the ACC Quarterfinal win against Syracuse and logged her ACC-leading fifth defensive in the NCAA Quarterfinal win at Maryland
- **Daniela Mendez-Trendler** was the team's leading scorer with nine goals and nine assists for 27 points. She was first team All-Region last season and a third-team All-American in 2022 as a freshman. She scored four game-winning goals last season
- **Taryn Tkachuk** scored eight goals with three assists last season. She scored five of those goals in the final four games of the regular season. She was voted to the All-ACC Second Team
- Sophomore **Mia Abello** is moving up from the backline to the midfield this season. Abello is a member of the US U21 Junior National Team
- Midfielders **Lilly and Meghen Hengerer** both are back for their fifth years bringing veteran leadership to the midfield

GOALKEEPERS

- Senior goalkeeper **Tyler Kennedy** has started every game last season for the Cavaliers and had all of the goalie decisions
- She was named to the All-ACC Second Team last year, her first career postseason honor, and was named the ACC and NFHCA National Defensive Player of the Week during the season. She is on the Preseason All-ACC team

PRESEASON ACC POLL

- Virginia was selected as the preseason favorites to win the ACC, totaling 76 points in the preseason poll. The Cavaliers and North Carolina each earned four first-place votes, while Duke added one. North Carolina, the defending national champions, finished second with 75 points, while Duke (63), Louisville (46) and Syracuse (46) rounded out the top five
- In addition to being the preseason league favorites, Virginia also led the way with four selections to the Preseason All-ACC team

PRESEASON ALL-ACC TEAM

- Senior goalkeeper **Tyler Kennedy**, senior back **Jans Croon**, senior midfielder **Noa Boterman** and junior midfielder **Daniela Mendez-Trendler** were named to the Preseason All-ACC team

NFHCA PRESEASON WATCH LIST

- Senior back **Jans Croon**, senior midfielder **Noa Boterman**, junior midfielder **Daniela Mendez-Trendler**, sophomore midfielder **Mia Abello**, senior striker **Taryn Tkachuk** and senior goalkeeper **Tyler Kennedy** were named to the NFHCA Preseason Watch List

ACC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

- Senior goalkeeper **Tyler Kennedy** was named the ACC Defensive Player of the Week in Week 2 (Sept. 10)
- Grad student midfielder **Suze Leemans** was named the ACC Offensive Player of the Week in Week 2 (Sept. 10)

2024 Virginia Field Hockey
Virginia Combined Team Statistics (as of Sep 08, 2024)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	3-0	1-0	2-0	0-0
CONFERENCE	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	3-0	1-0	2-0	0-0

Date	Opponent		Score	Att.	#	Player	gp	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	gw	ps-att	dsv	
Aug 30	at Penn State	w	2-1	503	13	Suze Leemans	3	3	0	6	8	.375	8	1.000	0	0-0	0	
Sep 06	TEMPLE	w	7-0	481	23	Emma Watchilla	3	2	0	4	2	1.000	2	1.000	0	0-0	0	
Sep 08	at #11 Liberty	w	2-1	247	8	Caroline Nemec	3	2	0	4	2	1.000	2	1.000	1	0-0	0	
					26	Emily Field	3	0	3	3	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0	
					4	Jans Croon	3	1	0	2	11	.091	6	.545	1	0-0	0	
					6	Lauren Kenah	3	1	0	2	4	.250	2	.500	1	0-0	0	
					18	Sloan Davidson	3	1	0	2	2	.500	2	1.000	0	0-0	0	
					5	Catalina Quinteros	3	1	0	2	1	1.000	1	1.000	0	0-0	0	
					19	Dani Mendez-Trendler	3	0	1	1	8	.000	6	.750	0	0-0	0	
					25	Noa Boterman	3	0	1	1	2	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0	
					10	Amelie Rees	3	0	1	1	2	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0	
					2	Mia Abello	3	0	0	0	9	.000	3	.333	0	0-0	0	
					7	Taryn Tkachuk	3	0	0	0	6	.000	3	.500	0	0-0	0	
					12	Meghen Hengerer	3	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0	
					9	Madison Orsi	3	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0	
					21	Kacy Hogarth	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0	
					11	Lilly Hengerer	3	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0	0	
					Total			3	11	6	28	59	.186	35	.593	3	0-0	0
					Opponents			3	2	1	5	25	.080	13	.520	0	0-0	1
TEAM STATISTICS						VA		OPP										
SHOT STATISTICS																		
Goals-Shot attempts		11-59		2-25														
Goals scored per game		3.67		0.67														
Shot pct.		.186		.080														
Shots on goal-Attempts		35-59		13-25														
SOG pct.		.593		.520														
Shots/Game		19.7		8.3														
PENALTY CORNERS					21		12											
Goals off corners		1		1														
PENALTY STROKES					0-0		0-0											
PENALTIES																		
Green cards		6		1														
Yellow cards		0		0														
Red cards		0		0														
ATTENDANCE																		
Total		481		750														
Dates/Avg Per Date		1/481		2/375														
Neutral Site #/Avg		0/0																
#	Goalie	GP	Min.	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Pct	W-L-T	Sho									
24	Tyler Kennedy	3	180:00	2	0.67	11	.846	3-0-0	1/0									
Total		3	180:00	2	0.67	11	.846	3-0-0	1									
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TEAM STATISTICS	VA	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	11-59	2-25
Goals scored per game	3.67	0.67
Shot pct.	.186	.080
Shots on goal-Attempts	35-59	13-25
SOG pct.	.593	.520
Shots/Game	19.7	8.3
PENALTY CORNERS		
Goals off corners	1	1
PENALTY STROKES		
	0-0	0-0
PENALTIES		
Green cards	6	1
Yellow cards	0	0
Red cards	0	0
ATTENDANCE		
Total	481	750
Dates/Avg Per Date	1/481	2/375
Neutral Site #/Avg	0/0	

2024 Virginia Field Hockey

Virginia Game-by-Game Goals-Assists-Points (as of Sep 08, 2024)

All games

Opponent	Date	Score	2	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
at PSU	Aug 30	2-1 W	ABELLO,MIA	CROON,JANS	QUINTEROS,	KENAH,LAUR	TKACHUK,TA	NEMEC,CARO	ORSI,MADIS	REES,AMELI	HENGERER,L	HENGERER,M	LEEMANS,SU
			0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0
TEMPLE	Sep 06	7-0 W	0-0-0	0-0-0	1-0-2	1-0-2	0-0-0	1-0-2	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-4
at LIBERTY	Sep 08	2-1 W	0-0-0	1-0-2	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	18	19	21	23	24	25	26
at PSU	Aug 30	2-1 W	DAVIDSON,S	MENDEZ,TRE	HOGARTH,KA	WATCHILLA,	KENNEDY,TY	BOTERMANN,N	FIELD,EMIL
			1-0-2	0-0-0	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1	0-0-0
TEMPLE	Sep 06	7-0 W	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	2-0-4	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-2-2
at LIBERTY	Sep 08	2-1 W	0-0-0	0-1-1	DNP	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-0-0	0-1-1

2023 Virginia Field Hockey
Virginia Individual Game-by-Game (as of Nov 20, 2023)
All games

#24 Tyler Kennedy

Date	Opponent	Score	GP	GS	Minutes	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Save%	W	L	T	Sho
Aug 30, 2024	at Penn State	2-1	*	*	60:00	1	1.00	0	.000	1	0	0	-
Sep 06, 2024	TEMPLE	7-0	*	*	60:00	0	0.50	5	.833	2	0	0	1
Sep 08, 2024	at Liberty	2-1	*	*	60:00	1	0.67	6	.846	3	0	0	-
			3	3	180:00	2	0.67	11	.846	3	0	0	1

2024 ROSTER & PRONUNCIATIONS

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School(s)
1	Ria Chhina	M	5-5	So.	Chantilly, Va. / Riverside High
2	Mia Abello	M	5-6	So.	Houston, Texas / The Kinkaid School
4	Jans Croon	B	5-6	Sr.	San Diego, Calif. / Torrey Pines
5	Catalina Quinteros	M	5-5	Fr.	Miami, Fla. / Coral Gables Senior High
6	Lauren Kenah	M	5-5	Jr.	Franconia, Pa. / Souderton Area High
7	Taryn Tkachuk	S	5-8	Sr.	St. Louis, Mo. / Villa Duchesne
8	Caroline Nemec	M	5-2	Jr.	Darien, Conn. / Sacred Heart Greenwich
9	Madison Orsi	M	5-7	Jr.	Downington, Pa. / The Hill School
10	Amelie Rees	M/S	5-6	Fr.	London, England
11	Lilly Hengerer	M	5-8	Gr.	Bedminster, N.J. / Bernards High School
12	Meghen Hengerer	M	5-9	Gr.	Bedminster, N.J. / Bernards High School
13	Suze Leemans	M	5-8	Gr.	Utrecht, Netherlands / Utrecht University
18	Sloan Davidson	S	5-7	Jr.	Houston, Tex. / St. John's School
19	Daniela Mendez-Trendler	M	5-9	Jr.	Reisterstown, Md. / Garrison Forest
20	Nilou Lempers	GK	5-8	So.	Amsterdam, Netherlands
21	Kacy Hogarth	S	5-6	Gr.	Havertown, Pa. / Agnes Irwin
23	Emma Watchilla	S	5-5	So.	Kingston, Pa. / Wyoming Seminary
24	Tyler Kennedy	GK	5-7	Sr.	Houston, Tex. / St. John's School
25	Noa Boterman	M	5-6	Sr.	Laren, Netherlands
26	Emily Field	B	5-4	Sr.	Mechanicsville, Va. / Trinity Episcopal

Head Coach: Ole Keusgen, 1st season as head coach, 10th season overall (Ruhr University Bochum, 2015)
 Assistant Coach: Alyssa Parker, 4th Season (Maryland, 2016)
 Assistant Coach: Carrera Lucas, 1st Season (Virginia, 2019)

Pronunciation Guide

Noa Boterman	BOAT-er-MAHN
Ria Chhina	CHEE-nah
Jans Croon	YAHNS
Kacy Hogarth	HOE-garth
Lauren Kenah	ken-UH
Suze Leemans	SUE-sah
Nilou Lempers	KNEE-lou
Caroline Nemec	KNEE-mick
Amelie Rees	ah-MEH-lee
Taryn Tkachuck	KAH-chuck
Ole Keusgen	Ollie KOYES-jen

2024 BROADCAST ROSTER



1 Ria Chhina
So. Midfield
Chantilly, Va.



2 Mia Abello
So. Midfield
Houston, Texas



4 Jans Croon
Sr. Back
San Diego, Calif.



5 Catalina Quniteros
Fr. Midfield
Miami, Fla.



6 Lauren Kenah
Jr. Midfield
Franconia, Pa.



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



8 Caroline Nemec
Jr. Midfield
Darien, Conn.



9 Madison Orsi
Jr. Midfield
Downington, Pa.



10 Amelie Rees
Fr. Midfield/Striker
London, England



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



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



13 Suze Leemans
Gr. Midfield
Utrecht, Netherlands



18 Sloan Davidson
Jr. Midfield
Houston, Tex.



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



20 Nilou Lempers
So. Goalie
Amsterdam, Netherlands



21 Kacy Hogarth
Gr. Striker
Havertown, Pa.



23 Emma Watchilla
So. Midfield
Kingston, Pa.



24 Tyler Kennedy
Sr. Goalie
Houston, Tex.



25 Noa Boterman
Sr. Midfield
Laren, Netherlands



26 Emily Field
Sr. Back
Mechanicsville, Va.