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For all of us, 2020 was a year like no other. The impact of the ongoing coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic radically affected us so much, and USA Field Hockey was no exception. In March, we focused on returning all athletes and staff to their home environments, but that process then turned into pausing programming. At the time I, like many, did not anticipate that the impact would continue to last so long. Throughout, we have taken the approach of always focusing on safety first and following the advice of public health authorities. We have tried to give every chance to provide field hockey experiences and only cancelling events when there is no reasonable chance of continuing. That lasted throughout the remainder of 2020, it was not until early 2021 that we were able to resume programming, and then, in a modified form.

Our mission remains to **Grow the Game**, **Serve Members** and **Succeed Internationally**. In 2020, we paused our strategic plan and honed in on one objective – **Organizational Sustainability**. This was to ensure that USA Field Hockey prevailed through the pandemic so we could emerge intact to deliver on our mission. We took cost cutting measures which included all staff receiving lowered compensation, we moved most of operations remote, which permanently reduced our office space with other efficiency measures. For those whose livelihood depends on our sport, it has also been very difficult. Especially to those in the retail sector, many of whom are our sponsors and partners. And to those who lead clubs and constant passion drives field hockey in their communities, it definitely was a challenging year.

For the field hockey community, 2020 has been tough. We give much admiration to athletes at every level, not being able to compete has been so hard for so many. The mental health impact of not being able to be part of a team is significant.

The rich values and experiences provided by being a field hockey athlete have been reinforced during the pandemic. A tough reminder of how important sport is, especially to young people. Athletes in the elite Junior and Senior U.S. National Teams have had to have much patience, as their chance to represent our country has been put on hold for too long.

The staff have remained optimistic, have taken the opportunity to review and renew programming – such as the big changes to the Nexus program, previously known as Futures. We welcomed experienced new coaches to lead our U.S. National Teams in Anthony Farry with the women and Harry Singh with the men and are excited for our future under their leadership.

As we review 2020, we have learned through the absence of field hockey that it is very important to many people’s lives. Our lives are richer playing, coaching, umpiring, encouraging and being part of a field hockey team.
In 2020, the Junior and Senior U.S. National Teams, U.S. National Indoor Teams and U.S. Masters Teams had majority of their competitions postponed or canceled.

The No. 24 U.S. Men’s National Team traveled to Durban, South Africa in February to take on the home, No. 14 team in a four-game Summer Series.

The No. 15 U.S. Women’s National Team played five FIH Hockey Pro League games during the second season before it was halted due to the pandemic.

The U.S. U-21 Men’s National Team traveled to Buenos Aires, Argentina for a planned four-game test series against their hosts. The first game was postponed due to weather and they were able to get in one game before the series was canceled due to the pandemic.

The U.S. U-16, Rise and U-21 Women’s National Teams hosted Canada’s junior squads in Chula Vista, Calif. for multiple games in February.

Both the U.S. Men’s and Women’s Masters Teams named their respective training squads in February, ahead of what was to be the 2020 World Masters Hockey World Cup events.

At the beginning of 2020, the U.S. Men’s and Women’s National Indoor Teams were represented by having three teams compete at the Rohrmax Cup in Vienna, Austria.
The No. 24 U.S. Men’s National Team opened the new year when they traveled to Durban, South Africa to take on the host, No. 14 in a four-game Summer Series from February 8 to 12. At Ashton International College, several U-21 USMNT athletes were brought on the tour to gain international, senior experience.

Down early in the first contest, USA tied the game in the second half to set up an exciting final quarter of play. South Africa converted twice in the last 15 minutes to claim a 4-2 win. In the second game, both squads fought hard throughout as USA’s defensive unit stepped up time and time again to keep the match competitive. After the teams swapped goals in the third quarter, South Africa held off a final push by the red, white and blue to claim a 2-1 victory. In their third meeting, USA came out quick, scoring in the second minute, and kept the game close until South Africa produced three goals within a 6-minute span for the 6-3 win. In the final game, two penalty stroke and two field goal conversions put South Africa ahead by four goals before USA added one back, 5-1.

The USMNT was scheduled for two 3 Nations Tournament, one in Wales and another in Ireland, but both were canceled due to the pandemic.

2020 USWNT

Mary Beth Beiler, Kelsey Bing, Virginia Bramley, Ali Campbell, Anna Dessoye, Linnea Gonzalez, Danielle Grega, Alexandra Hammel, Carlie Hanks, Karlie Heistand, Ashley Hoffman, Laura Hurff, Jess Jecko, Kelee Lepage, Amanda Magadan, Madison Maguire, Lauren Moyer, Alyssa Parker, Miranda Rigg, Rachel Robinson, Kealise Robles, Haley Schleicher, Casey Umstead, Taylor West, Nicole Woods, Julia Young, Corinne Zanolli

Head Coach: Carolina Nelson-Nichols
Assistant Coach: Marc Hardy
Team Manager: Larry Amar

RECORD: 0-5-0
January 26 USA 0 - 9 NED
February 7 USA 2 - 6 ARG
February 8 USA 1 - 6 ARG
February 15 USA 1 - 3 NZL
February 16 USA 1 - 3 NZL

FIRST CAPS
Alexandra Hammel
Carrie Hanks
Karlie Heistand
Kelee Lepage
Madison Maguire
The Junior U.S. Men’s National Teams were in full swing when the pandemic brought things to a standstill. Following a training camp in Moorpark, Calif., to start the year, the U-21 USMNT traveled to Buenos Aires, Argentina for a planned four-game test series against their hosts.

The tour kicked off with two games against a local club before the opening game of the series was postponed due to weather. The series finally got underway the following day as Argentina toppled the USA, 5-0. Unfortunately, that game would prove to be the final run for the U-21 USMNT athletes in 2020 as the pandemic brought the tour to a premature end.

With training camps and competitions cancelled or postponed, attention turned to supporting athletes remotely. Initially named the Junior High Performance (JHP) Playground with a focus on individual well-being during the early stages of the pandemic, the Remote Training Resource provided players with a framework to construct their own training program depending upon the local restrictions in place. Covering psychological, tactical, technical and physical aspects of development, the resource encouraged athletes to take control of their own development journey as they navigated the pandemic.

To provide further insights into various facets of performance, USA Field Hockey collaborated with the U.S. Olympic and Paralympic Committee to launch the Junior High Performance University (JHPU). JHPU brought together experts from a range of fields to share their knowledge with the athletes through a series of online conversations.
The Junior U.S. Women’s National Teams benefited from a drive to create more competition moments for those selected to their respective junior squads. The addition of a series earlier than usual in the calendar year meant that across the U-16, Rise and U-21 teams, 12 test matches were played before the pandemic forced the cancellation or postponement of any further competition in 2020.

Following selection and training camps in January, the U-16, Rise and U-21 teams hosted their Canada counterparts at the Chula Vista Elite Athlete Training Center in Chula Vista, Calif. The games provided all squad members with the opportunity to gain international competition experience and proved to be an invaluable development moment for all involved. The Rise USWNT played six games across three days, running out 6-0 series winners. With the U-16 and U-21 USWNT onsite at the same time, they played three games each, both winning their series 3-0.

The U.S. Women’s National Development Team were the final group in action before in-person activities were suspended. A training camp featured games against their hosts, Cal Berkeley, and the Olympic Club provided athletes and staff with the opportunity to continue their development with, at the time, all eyes on a tour to Scotland to take on the host nation’s senior team.

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Both the U.S. Men’s and Women’s Masters Teams named their respective training squads in February, ahead of the 2020 World Masters Hockey (WMH) World Cup events. That same month, the U.S. O-40 Men’s Masters Team participated in the Four Nations Indoor Field Hockey Festival in Toronto, Canada, where they claimed bronze in a 5-2 win over England.

In March it was announced that the next WMH Masters Indoor World Cup would be hosted in the United States, originally in Spring City, Pa., with more than 40 total teams expected to participate from around the world. With the pandemic, WMH postponed the WMH World Cups and WMH Masters Indoor World Cup, now slated to take place in Virginia Beach, Va., both to 2022. The U.S. Men’s and Women’s Masters Committees were expected to hold tryouts for the indoor squads starting in mid-July but those were postponed because of the pandemic.

The 2020 O-40 USMNT TRAINING SQUAD

The U.S. O-50 USMNT TRAINING SQUAD

The U.S. O-55 USMNT TRAINING SQUAD

The U.S. O-60 USMNT TRAINING SQUAD
Peter Bale, Andrew Dunning, Lance Eichert, Chandrakar Gill, Gurpreet Gill, Asif Hossain, Manzar Iqbal, Richard Jagdeo, Peter Jones, Eric McGinley, Martin McGinley, Jon O’Haire, Sankar Ramani, Alex Rocks, Mahesh Saraswat, Alva Serrette, Jaswinder Singh, Paramjeet Singh, Jeff Starfield, Larry Zappone

The 2020 O-35 USWNT TRAINING SQUAD

The U.S. O-45 USWNT TRAINING SQUAD
Whin Brown-Sylla, Ruthie Busienei, Laura Dziyak, Elzeth Hetzler, Jennifer Judy, Kelly Mackinnon, Kim Miller, Andrea Milnome, Kristen Mohamed, Kate Niewinski, Sarah Perkins-Scally, Lacey Pustz, Dena Riehl, Stacey Ross, Jackie Scally, Jeanne Shinn-Cooper, Magdalene Simonini, Staci Smith, Alison Stone, Kimberly Sukko, April Sunderland, Marjie Toth, Mary van der Kerkhof, Melissa Weiss, Kelly Williamson

The 2020 O-50 USWNT TRAINING SQUAD
Lauren Baugher, Suzanne Bourgault, Megan Callahan, Anne Dillman, Melissa Emery, Coleen Faesinger, Margaret Kelly, Cara Lange, Melissa Mertz, Lucia Molina Berro, Rael Otieno, Alisson Pattage, Caroline Pratt, Lisa Samson, Georgina Serenielli, Kyle Shellaway, Patti Webb

The U.S. O-55 USWNT TRAINING SQUAD
Jen Anderson, Jennifer Bandura, Ana Berra, Sandra Binder, Kim Bush, Gabriela Cappanero, Beth Demnied, Susan Elliott, Sophie Etienne, Kathy Frick, Maya Harutyunyan, Tammy Hoffman, Kari Johns, Maria Kening, Kelly Lawlor, Nonna Mamedova, Florencia Manero, Kelly Meyer, Lori Miller, Beth Montagano, Silvina Puccia, Uli Reinhart, Kelly Setser, Denise Sheehan, Alison Smith, Nori Smith, Pamela Stuper, Nikki Walton

The U.S. O-60 USWNT TRAINING SQUAD
Toni Arner, Karen Chambers, Christine Couteau, Karen Croteau, Meri Dembrow, Cynthia Dysenchuck, Lucy Godfrey, Carol Gulija, Christine Hutchinson, Jeanne Mclaughlin, Laura Mena, Diane Molinero, Kelly Myers, Liz Peck, Stella Valpe, Barb Wachowiak
At the beginning of 2020, USA was represented by having three teams compete at the Rohrmax Cup in Vienna, Austria. The round-robin style tournament saw a young U.S. Men’s National Indoor Team compete against the Austria, Czech Republic, LUC Ronchini and SV Arminien, losing all four matches and finishing eighth.

On the women’s side, USA sent its senior Indoor USWNT (USA Blue) and the Indoor Development USWNT (USA Gold). USA Blue faced Austria, Belarus and the Czech Republic to finish pool play with a 0-2-1. This set up a showdown with SV Arminen in the 7th/8th place game, where USA Blue prevailed 2-1. USA Gold finished pool play with a 2-0-1 record, pushing them into the bronze medal game against the Czech Republic, where the red, white and blue prevailed 8-5. After the tournament, Indoor USWNT athlete Hope Rose received the Top Goal Scorer Award.

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INDOOR USMNT RECORD: 0-4-0
January 2 USA 1 - 7 LUC
January 3 USA 1 - 3 CZE
January 4 USA 1 - 2 AUT
January 5 USA 0 - 12 SVA (7th/8th)

INDOOR USWNT RECORD: 1-2-1
January 2 USA 2 - 2 BLR
January 3 USA 3 - 9 AUT
January 4 USA 0 - 4 CZE
January 5 USA 2 - 1 SVA (7th/8th)

DEVO USWNT RECORD: 3-0-2
January 2 USA 4 - 1 SVA
January 3 USA 1 - 5 BEL
January 4 USA 6 - 4 CHE
January 4 USA 3 - 4 AUT
January 5 USA 8 - 5 CZE (3rd/4th)

2020 JUNIOR INDOOR USMNT
Matthew Barraco, Zane Boler, Gavin Chung, Koehl Comiskey, Jack Hawley, Ishaq Inayat, Malcolm Johnson, Tyler Kim, Colin Kirkpatrick, Toby Peck, Jack Weitzman, Jonathan Whide, Bradley Wittbecker

2020 INDOOR USMNT
James Albanese, Brett Andrews, Glenn Car, Shomik Chakraborty, Christian DeAngelis, Stephen Dennis, Ajai Dhadwal, Alex Grassi, Colin Hennessy, Jala Kentwell, Jesse Larson, Joe Page, Nicholas Richardson, Dean Schiller, Scott Sherban, Michael Young

Head Coach: Alex Gheorghe

2020 JUNIOR INDOOR USWNT
Olivia Bent-Cole, Julia Bressler, Abigail Burnett, Kennedy Ciggett, Logan Clouser, Natalie Freeman, Mia Garber, Emily Graff, Margaret Jancerak, Paige Kieft, Maggie Kndrath, Morgan McMannin, Alaina McLeigh, Daniela Mendez-Trend, Caroline Nemec, Madison Onsi, Abigail Taylor, Maya Walker, Melia Weber, Gia Whalen

Head Coach: Sarah Dawson, Ahmed Elmaghraby & Ralph Goodwin

2020 INDOOR DEVELOPMENT USWNT
Shelby Burgher, Lora Clarke, Colleen Conway, Lauren Delgado, Pyper Friedman, Ryleigh Heck, Meghen Hengger, Amika Herbine, Skye Joegriner, Ella Kaufman, Julianne Kopeck, Mia Leonhardt, Megan Maransky, Josephine Paide, Meghan Pflank, Gery Schnarrs, Esha Shah, Kelly Smith, Macy Szkulics, Lauren Wadas

Head Coach: Katie Gerzabek & Lunda Comiskey

2020 INDOOR USWNT
KATHERINE HENNESSY

Head Coach: Jun Kentwell
Assistant Coach: Brett Clay
The need for improved online communication and resources became paramount in 2020. USA Field Hockey rose to the occasion, increasing online education offerings for all stakeholder groups. Members received exclusive pricing on all online courses, including many that were free to members such as the National Federation of State High School Association (NFHS) Coaching Field Hockey and NFHS Coaching Field Hockey: Goalkeeping Courses.

USA Field Hockey continued to strive to increase membership benefits so all stakeholders found significant value in their membership beyond regional, national and sanctioned event participation. One of the most exciting and valuable benefits was the launch of the new USA Field Hockey Member App - In the Circle, which is free to download for all members. The app puts tools, resources and exclusive member offers and special savings from sponsors and partners at a member’s fingertips. The American Development Model (ADM) resources were infused throughout, including games and training exercises, articles, videos, and podcasts that help with development on and off the field.

USA Field Hockey also partnered with BelievePerform, the No. 1 online mental fitness app, in an effort to provide valuable mental health tools and resources for coaches, athletes, parents and umpires.

In an effort to maintain the highest safety standards in sport, SafeSport training as mandated for all members who play, work with or have authority over minors – coaches, umpires and athletes 18+. Coaches and umpires are also required to have a comprehensive background check. SafeSport Training and background checks are included in membership fees.

MEMBERSHIP IN 2020
USA Field Hockey Membership in the year 2020 was an extremely tough to maintain during the pandemic. Membership was down approximately 26%, with organizational run regional and national events not taking place from March 12 through to the end of December. With that, many members opted to postpone renewing their memberships until necessary.

21,185 MEMBERS IN 2020

TOTAL MEMBERSHIP FROM 2014-2020
Futures, USA Field Hockey’s Olympic Development Pathway Program, halted in mid-March. Some sites had started and had as many as six of seven planned trainings, while other sites had yet to begin. USA Field Hockey was in the unprecedented role and position of wanting to provide meaningful training, education, inspiration and motivation to Futures athletes while they were isolated at home.

While part of USA Field Hockey’s Futures team worked to postpone and reformat training in hopes the pandemic would lift, the other part, including the Coach Education and Junior High Performance team, worked to create an online, interactive curriculum for all Futures registrants. These webinars brought Team USA into the homes of every Futures participant, offering an opportunity to ask questions and get to know U.S. Men’s and Women’s National athletes.

The interactive Futures curriculum was built around “The USA Way”, the framework that guides how we think about the game of field hockey and provides a vision and common language to use across the country. It focused on important concepts and skills and included multiple webinars with U.S. National Team athletes and coaches. The goal was to provide Futures athletes with an inspirational learning experience, inviting players to “own” their personal development and make the most of their time at home.

Ultimately, the Futures Camps planned for early June 2020 also had to be canceled, as did the National Futures Championship, presented by Harrow Sports, scheduled for July 2020. Partial refunds or credits were offered to all registrants. Although disappointing, the safety, health and well-being of all athletes and stakeholders was the deciding factor for all decisions. USA Field Hockey looks forward to returning to the field in 2021 with an improved, revamped and renamed Olympic Development Pathway Program called Nexus.
The year 2020 started off, and was intended, to be a fun field hockey filled year. The Disney Field Hockey Showcase was USA Field Hockey’s largest held Disney event ever, with more than 3,000 athletes and 179 teams competing amongst the magic of Walt Disney World from January 31 to February 2, 2020. Teams competed in the U-12 Co-Ed, U-14 Girls, U-16 Girls and U-19 Girls age divisions in front of more than 75 college coaches watching to recruit. A packed Vendor Village that featured 14 vendors added to the excitement.

Right on the heels of the Disney Field Hockey Showcase came the National Indoor Tournament, presented by YOLO Sportswear, again an event that hit a milestone of USA Field Hockey’s largest one to date. Club teams from across the country played for the prestigious title of being named Pool National Indoor Champion. Three weekend tournaments were held at Spooky Nook Sports in Lancaster, Pa. and one was held at the Greater Richmond Convention Center in Richmond, Va.

The final National Indoor Tournament ended on Sunday, February 28, 2020. Just days later, the nation and the sport of field hockey were sidelined by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Regional Club Championships and National Club Championship, presented by Harrow Sports, were postponed, then canceled. The National Futures Championship, presented by Harrow Sports, was postponed, then canceled. The AAU Junior Olympic Games and Summer Bash at the Beach were also canceled. And finally, what was to be USA Field Hockey’s 40th annual National Hockey Festival, presented by CranBarry, scheduled to be held in Panama City Beach, Fla., was moved to take place in two location, the BB&T Sports Park in Bermuda, N.C. and Virginia Beach Sportsplex/Hampton Roads Soccer Complex in Virginia Beach, Va., to reduce the need for airline travel and advance planning, but the event was ultimately canceled on recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

One of USA Field Hockey’s Core Values is Safety, Health and Well-Being. USA Field Hockey was proud to hold true to this value and looks forward to getting back to play safely as soon as possible.
USA Field Hockey recognizes that to have successful and competitive teams in the United States, a world-class coach education system is required. The education and development of coaches plays a pivotal role in ensuring sustainable future athletes and pathway success.

In a year that made us pause and reflect, 2020 provided the opportunity for USA Field Hockey’s Coach Education and Learning team to reimagine how to engage with coach members. This led to the development and introduction of two online Coach Education programs, that now form part of the Level 1 and Level 2 Courses.

The online courses include ideas on what to coach, how to coach and also a deeper look into why to coach. In addition, the online courses introduce and expand on “The USA Way”, the framework that guides USA Field Hockey’s vision for athlete development and the game of field hockey across the country. Coaches can now take the online coaching courses of the Level 1 or Level 2 before attending the in-person instructional clinics that make up the coach certification.

The 2020 National Coaches Forum, presented by AstroTurf, also looked very different. With in-person gatherings not possible, the National Coaches Forum went virtual. This meant the Coach Education and Learning team was able to expand the reach far beyond the coaches based in the United States. With more than 300 participants and presenters joining from all corners of the world, USA Field Hockey heard from some of the world’s greatest leaders in their fields. Highlights included former England Rugby Coach Stuart Lancaster, goalscoring insights from record goal-scorer Pietie Coetzee-Turner, The Netherlands Men’s Head Coach Max Caldas, Belgium’s Performance Director Adam Commens and U.S. Olympic legends Katie Bam and Tracey Fuchs. The Forum closed with an engaging diversity and inclusion session led by Mimi Smith and Imani Ruffin.

USA Field Hockey was very fortunate in the early part of 2020 to get some umpiring in, with the 2019 National Indoor Tournament Qualifiers and 2020 National Indoor Tournament, presented by YOLO Sportswear. After February, to keep as many involved and up to date as much as possible, USA Field Hockey’s Umpiring Department moved to a fully virtual educational platform. The process of on-field evaluation was suspended with the expectation of resuming the in-person training in 2021 with a number of adjustments.

With the help of the Communications Department, the Umpire Department was able to update and produce the “Behind the Whistle” resource to provide all members video clips and scenarios for educational purposes. For some cases, a video clip is posted with rule applications where members were asked to “make the call” in which a quiz with scenario results were provided. The “Behind the Whistle” series was popular for umpires and others as each post averaged around 300 views and participants for weekly, with the top viewed hitting 540 views.

Two virtual umpire clinics were held to continue education. In July, an Online Beginner and Junior Umpire Clinic took place with 345 participants and in November an Online Indoor Umpire Clinic was held with 94 participants. Each clinic was held for three consecutive weeks, with two sessions per week for six total learnings. An Advanced USA Field Hockey and NCAA Collegiate Umpire Seminar and second Beginner and Junior Umpire Clinic are scheduled for 2021, with the plan to host these offerings at least once every year moving forward.

The best part of having virtual clinics is that most participants are younger athletes and those below the age of 30, which bodes well for the future of umpiring in the United States. The hope is that the participants will stay with the game and become umpire members once they have the availability to get on the field.

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YOUTH

Raising awareness and interest of field hockey among the youth, specifically boys and girls ages 5 to 12, continues to be a top priority. The USA Field Hockey American Development Model (ADM) 5 Stages of Development is the framework in which all youth programming is based upon.

DISCOVER FIELD HOCKEY CLINICS | 7 HELD IN 2020
These 90-minute introductory clinics, delivered by local programs and coaches, for boys and girls who have never participated in field hockey previously or have had limited exposure to the sport.

PLAY & LEARN FIELD HOCKEY | 2 HELD IN 2020
An 8-hour introductory program designed for kids who are interested in joining a team and beginning competition.

FUNDAMENTAL FIELD HOCKEY | 103 AWARDED IN 2020
This equipment grant program is designed to increase awareness, interest and trial of field hockey among young boys and girls.

BOYS BLAST SERIES
These tournaments were established to take place across the east coast for boys ages 12 and up. In 2020, the only one took place in Miami, Fla. in January as the ones schedule for Charlotte, N.C. (April) and Greenwich, Conn. (September) were canceled.

HIGH SCHOOL

High school field hockey is the largest segment of the sport played in the United States, with approximately 100,000 high school student athletes, coaches, umpires and administrators participating annually. It is sanctioned in 17 states and played interscholastically in eight additional. Although played primarily by girls, states such as Massachusetts also support co-ed play and in 2020, the Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) proposed the addition of boys field hockey, to allow gender specific interscholastic play in addition to co-ed play.

In March 2020, USA Field Hockey and the National Federation of State High School Associations (NFHS) formed a strategic partnership to increase student-athlete engagement in field hockey and improve the sport experience, emphasizing fun and development. A High School Advocacy Group was formed to aid in supporting this partnership.

In July 2020, with the assistance of the High School Advocacy Group, the NFHS changed their mandatory goggle rule to recommend that goggles be optional, with state associations having the ultimate jurisdiction.

In the fall, some states played a normal high school season, while most played modified rules and schedules to adhere to local and state mandates. Some states moved their season to the spring.

COLEGEE

In January 2020, USA Field Hockey presented the collegiate study findings and recommendations from the 2019 College Sustain and Grow and Collegiate Advocacy Group meetings, a project that was supported by the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee (USOPC), at the National Field Hockey Coaches Association meeting, outlining opportunities and challenges and calling for action and unity for the good of the game and to sustain and grow collegiate programs.

When the pandemic hit, the focus shifted from growth to sustainability. Hundreds of NCAA collegiate sports programs were cut in 2020, primarily in Olympic Sports. In July 2020, Stanford University (Division I) announced their plans to drop field hockey and 10 other sports. Becker College (Division III) in Worcester, Mass. also announced that they were no longer going to support a field hockey program.

There were two colleges that announced plans to add the sport in the future in Lincoln Memorial University in Harrogate, Tenn. (Division II) and Lycoming College in Williamsport, Pa. (Division III).
In December 2020, USA Field Hockey and the International Hockey Federation (FIH) celebrated the addition of ParaHockey as a demo sport at the 2023 Special Olympic World Games (SOWGs) in Berlin, Germany. USA Field Hockey joined many other nations and FIH Chair Norman Hughes in advocating for the addition of ParaHockey to the SOWGs. As USA Field Hockey works with clubs, schools and communities to expand unified programs and playing opportunities, USA Field Hockey will apply for USA to be one of the nations selected to participate in 2023 and will use this event as a springboard to inspire development of ParaHockey and Unified Hockey throughout the United States.

The SOWGs will be open to male and female players ages 16+ who have an Intellectual Disability. USA Field Hockey’s plan is to also promote Unified Hockey, which encourages unified play with people of all abilities. USA Field Hockey hired contractor Libby Willson to assist with development efforts. Willson recently returned to the United States from the United Kingdom where she oversaw their Flyerz Hockey Program for individuals with disabilities.

LA2028

For the first time in the history of the Olympic Games, the Tokyo 2020 edition was postponed for the safety, health and well-being of all involved. Although USA Field Hockey’s women and men did not qualify to compete, the impact of the postponed Olympic Games was felt by all National Governing Bodies of the USOPC through schedule changes and reduced funding.

Ahead of the Los Angeles 2028 Olympic Games, USA Field Hockey is looking toward developing field hockey in California in advance and as a legacy of the Summer Games. It is interesting to note that both Olympic bronze medals won by USA were in Los Angeles, with the men winning in 1932 and the women in 1984.

In 2018, USA Field Hockey formed an LA28 Task Force group that continues to meet and guide recommendations and actions. In February 2020, USA Field Hockey attended the California Health Physical Education Health and Dance Conference to promote field hockey in grade schools. Olympian and California resident Tiffany Snow Huisman and former U.S. Men’s National Team goalkeeper Jason Wellings joined USA Field Hockey’s National Development Director Sally Goggin in introducing the sport to hundreds of physical education teachers from across the Golden State.

LA28 TASK FORCE GROUP

| Marc Bakerman | Kara Mings | Aaron Sher |
| Sally Goggin | Jenna Ortega | Pam Stuper |
| Tiffany Huisman | Chip Rogers | Jason Wellings |
| Missy Meharg | Alva Serrette | |

STATE CHAPTERS

USA Field Hockey strives to support, promote and develop field hockey as a sport for all, a sport for life. The organization recognizes that developing a structure of regional representation to unite and organize all stakeholder groups to support and fuel local and grassroots growth is key to the long-term success of the sport. USA Field Hockey has piloted State Chapters in five states, with California, Kentucky and Michigan the first to be formed. The survey results from those leading states were overwhelmingly positive, hence why there was the expansion to include both North Carolina and South Carolina in December 2020.

In 2020, USA Field Hockey focused on the support structure to set the State Chapter leaders up for success and encourage partnership with others in the National Office to support their vision and priorities. Resources include a State Chapter Guide, formal organization structure design and checklists for each new chapter to encourage efficiency when launching. The State Chapter Dashboard outlines 2021 objectives and measurable key performance indicators to drive a centralized strategy through State Chapters.

Sport Development made an encompassing list of all deliverables needed by the National Office and meeting cadence to connect with other State Chapter leaders. There are policies and procedures in place to mitigate risk and ensure USA Field Hockey passes their financial audit with these autonomous leadership groups.

STATE CHAPTER EXECUTIVE BOARDS

The volunteer-led State Chapter Executive Boards are made up of a President (P), Vice President (VP), Treasurer (T) and Secretary (S).

CALIFORNIA

P: Kendal Beveridge
VP: Nicole Ng
T: Lindsay Coony
S: Jessie Veith Rouleau

KENTUCKY

P: Jody Schaefer
VP: Olivia Netzler-Gray
T: Chris Ward
S: Stephanie Seybey

MICHIGAN

P: Amy Robertson
VP: Miki Disherow
T: Colleen Cassada
S: Terry Loeb

NORTH CAROLINA

P: Kimberly Keefer
VP: Jenell Davis
T: Dari Carter
S: Lauren Daley

SOUTH CAROLINA

P: Keeley Tamer
VP: Andrea Shaner
T: Erica Reilly
S: Jessie Veith Rouleau

These leaders are joined by additional other volunteers who lead committees designated by the individual states. Learn more about State Chapters at usafthockey.com/statechapters.
USA Field Hockey believes that field hockey, and all sports, must be inclusive, accessible, affordable and safe to support a culture of belonging among all people regardless of race, gender, economic status, sexual orientation, ability and age.

In August of 2020, USA Field Hockey established an Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Working Group charged with developing strategic initiatives to advance EDI efforts within the sport. The Working Group includes USA Field Hockey’s Executive Director Simon Hoskins, USA Field Hockey Directors and Communications Department; and representatives from the Board of Directors, USA Field Hockey Foundation, National Federation of State High School Associations Board of Directors and the Black Field Hockey Coaches Network. Bi-weekly meetings have taken place since August 2020, as well as meetings of sub-committees designed to focus on planning and development of EDI initiatives.

To date, the Working Group has written the USA Field Hockey EDI Statement, solicited input from key stakeholder groups, created a draft development plan and arranged for staff and membership EDI surveys to be administered in the spring 2021. The results of the surveys will inform efforts to provide USA Field Hockey stakeholders with resources, training and support for implementing best practices; demonstrating USA Field Hockey’s commitment to being a model organization in the areas of equity, diversity, and inclusion.

EDI STATEMENT

USA Field Hockey believes that field hockey, and all sports, must be inclusive, accessible, affordable and safe to support a culture of belonging among all people regardless of race, gender, economic status, sexual orientation, ability and age. USA Field Hockey strives toward a future in which field hockey is more reflective of the demographics of the United States. Field hockey is a sport for all, a sport for life.

The value of sport, and especially team sports, is undeniable. Field hockey provides mental, physical and social benefits and has the power to unite, strengthen and inspire participants at all levels, from grassroots to the Olympic Games.

ANNUAL AWARDS

The 2020 Annual Awards, presented by Longstreth, honored individuals that broadly recognized and celebrated that contributed toward a major and lasting impact on the game across the field hockey community. In 2020, five awards were presented in the following categories:

GROW THE GAME AWARD: REBECCA MACIEJEWSKI

Maciejewski is the co-club director of Pursuit Field Hockey and also coaches at Honesdale High School in Honesdale, Pa. In a small town where field hockey is not truly prevalent, she dedicated her knowledge and love of the game to grow a passion for young athletes in the area.

NATIONAL COACH AWARD: KELLY DOTON

Head coach at Boston College since 2015, Doton led one of the most storied seasons in program history as they tied their record for most wins in a season with 15 and won a program-best four Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) games. After a historical season, Doton was the first coach in program history to win the ACC Coach of the Year Award.

NATIONAL UMPIRE AWARD: MARY DRISCOLL

In 2019, Driscoll umpired in the women’s finals of the 2019 Pan American Games in Lima, Peru and officiated the gold medal match of the women’s FIH Hockey Series in Hiroshima, Japan. Driscoll also umpires at the NCAA level and was on the umpire panel for the Division I Final Four in 2019.

NATIONAL CLUB OF THE YEAR AWARD: CENTRAL PENN FH

Since its inception in 2012, the club started as Central Penn Mini Sticks, a successful youth program, to expand and include the Central PA Youth Field Hockey League and now Central Penn FH. In that short time, it has grown to include more than 290 members and actively participates at many regional, national and sanctioned events in all age divisions.

HUMANITARIAN AWARD: TORI WHITCHER

Co-owner of Sport EuroTour, Whitcher spent part of 2020 hosting free weekly seminars online to help the field hockey community through the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Her topics covered everything from mental health awareness, to creating drills at home and offered outside resources to stay active and mentally fit during quarantine.
USA Field Hockey's Communications Department oversees all internal and external communication to members, constituents and stakeholders. The organization’s website is the primary focus of communication efforts including news articles, roster announcements, event coverage and more. Secondary are USA Field Hockey’s social media platforms. These consist of Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn and Pinterest, as well as the usage of Instagram Stories.

With many events and programming canceled or postponed in 2020, Communications had to get creative to draw users to the website and social media platforms. Many unconventional features were highlighted including skills challenges, contests, feel-good stories and more, to keep users and fans engaged.

**WEBSITE**

For the fifth time in organization history, USA Field Hockey's website achieved the United States Olympic and Paralympic Committee’s Tier 1 Status as a result of the total unique users. The Communications Department attracted 753,965 total users and 2,301,642 pageviews in 2020.

**SOCIAL MEDIA**

USA Field Hockey’s social media platforms continue to grow and climb in followers and fan engagement. These platforms are used to distribute website articles, news and important information quickly to the masses that extend outside the reach out USA Field Hockey’s Membership database.

**FOLLOWERS**

- Facebook: 75,625
- Twitter: 42,393
- Instagram: 59,907

**FHLIFE MAGAZINE**

Due to the pandemic, and following an extensive budget analysis and forecasting for the coming year, USA Field Hockey announced in September that FHLife Magazine, the official publication of USA Field Hockey and only magazine dedicated to the sport in the United States, will not be produced in the upcoming 2021 calendar year.

**COMMERCIAL & SPONSORS**

Commercial partners play an important role in the success of USA Field Hockey. They provide essential funding that helps USA Field Hockey to support the U.S. Men’s and Women’s National Teams, Development Teams and Junior National Teams, and deliver programming for youth through adult to enjoy and develop with the game - athletes, coaches, umpires, administrators and fans. Many of the commercial partners add value to USA Field Hockey Membership by providing substantial savings and offers exclusively to USA Field Hockey Members.

The year 2020 was a challenging one for many of USA Field Hockey’s commercial partners. Several partners pivoted from manufacturing uniforms and other equipment to making masks and other personal protective equipment to prevent the spread of COVID-19. Sadly, some longtime partners were forced to close their doors entirely, many with hopes of starting again post-pandemic.

USA Field Hockey provides many opportunities to commercial partners to help them advance their mission and support their business model. Benefits include marketing and promotion, advertising in digital and print platforms, licensing, branding on uniforms and at programs and events, naming rights of core programs, vending at national and regional events and more.

**PREMIER PARTNERS**

- STX
- Harrow

**SPONSORS**

- 4U SPORTS
- A2M
- Astro turf
- Believel Perform
- Cranberry Field Hockey
- COACH LOGIC
- Dita
- Hocsox
- Iamig's
- Kilogear Cut
- Longstreth Field Hockey
- NCSA
- Polar
- Premier Sports
- Promasque
- TEAM SOURCE
- Touchline Video
- Yolo
## FINANCIAL REPORT

As of December 31, 2020

### CURRENT ASSETS:

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<td>Accounts receivable, net</td>
<td>36,413</td>
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<td>Prepaid expenses and other assets</td>
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<td>Long-term investments</td>
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<td><strong>$2,561,682</strong></td>
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### PROPERTY & EQUIPMENT NET:

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<td><strong>Total Property &amp; Equipment Assets:</strong></td>
<td><strong>$50,061</strong></td>
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### NET ASSETS:

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<td>Unrestricted (without donor restrictions)</td>
<td>3,433,448</td>
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<td>Restricted (with donor restrictions)</td>
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<td><strong>Total Net Assets:</strong></td>
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### CURRENT LIABILITIES:

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<td>Accounts payable</td>
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<td>Accrued liabilities</td>
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<td>Deferred revenue</td>
<td>1,348,640</td>
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<td><strong>Total Current Liabilities:</strong></td>
<td><strong>$1,456,825</strong></td>
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### EXPENSES:

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<td>Member services</td>
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### REVENUE, GAINS & SUPPORT:

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<td>USOPC support</td>
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<td>Other fees</td>
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<td>In-kind contributions</td>
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<td>Grants</td>
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<td>Corporate sponsorship</td>
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<td>Umpire fees</td>
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### Total Expenses: $5,262,052

### Change in Net Assets: $1,018,125

### Net Assets, Beginning of Year: $2,539,098

### Net Assets, End of Year: $3,557,223