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2nd Men's Pan American Cup

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7th Place

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USA	11	Second Half
Puerto Rico	0	

Play by Play By: Hari Kant

- 1: We are underway at the 2nd Pan American Cup for Men
- 1: This is Hari Kant bringing you the 7th Place matchup between the USA and Puerto Rico
- 2: The USA having finishing 3rd place in their pool on goal difference, then were upset by Mexico yesterday.
- 3: Puerto Rico finished 4th in Pool A and lost to the Dutch Antilles in their crossover.
- 4: The pool match between these teams in the preliminary round was 11-1 for the US
- 4: So the dissapointed US team will look to get on the board early to salvage 7th place at the Pan American cup
- 4: Scully for the US cannot get around Montanez Rodriguez
- 4: PUR clears the length of the pitch
- 5: Long scoop for Nakamura and Martin makes a nice play. The cross in and it's a corner for the US
- 6: GOAL: Direct shot on the corner and it's Scally with the tally for the US
- 7: Sorry that is Harris with the direct shot.
- 7: Now a great chance for Sandhu and a good save by Alicea Parrilla.
- 8: A good play by Bhamber and PUR defend
- 8: Here is a nother chance and Martin puts the ball wide on a reverse stick
- 9: US with more pressure and Sandhu again dribbling but he is stopped by Basora Santiago
- 9: US get the ball quickly and scoop cross field Scally
- 9: into Martin close to the circle
- 9: Tackled by Montanez
- 10: US still crossing and it's off the foot of Basora
- 10: Hindy finds the foot on the free hit and Basora not sharp
- 10: The corner is broken but Nakamura sends it to Martin
- 11: GOAL: Martin flips it by Alicea as he is slow off the line
- 11: USA dominating now and are all over PUR
- 12: PUR break and it's Lastra makes a weak pass stopped by Cota in the midfield
- 13: The US playing at a high pace here and PUR will have to try to match it
- 14: The US with another penalty corner
- 14: Nakamura to Hindy and his pass into Martin, he's all alone
- 14: GOAL: Martin scores on the broken goal.
- 15: Here is a stick infraction and Cota is down in the midfield
- 15: He is up and appears to be OK
- 15: No card on that play
- 16: The play continues on in the midfield
- 16: US switches to the left and Harris works with Kainth K
- 16: They switch it back
- 17: to the right and enter the circle
- 17: Played well by Basora

- 17: PUR scoop it out
- 17: Bhamber collects in front of a disinterested Rodriguez
- 18: US comes back and Martin dribbles in the circle and gets another corner
- 18: Drag flick and it's saved by the keeper and it's another corner
- 19: GOAL: Hindy on the option and his flick is through the legs of Alicea.
- 19: The fourth goal on the PC for the USA. This was their problem against MEX as they had 16 in that game and failed to score
- 21: PUR pushing up now but there is little support
- 22: Long pass from Hindy at the back and Martin cannot handle the scoop
- 22: PUR now on the right
- 24: Nothing there and the US switch and scoop long
- 25: Intercepted by Martinez and they run at the US defence
- 26: He gets a call near the circle
- 26: That's into the circle but the call is made outside the circle
- 26: Could have been a corner
- 26: Short pass and it's called on the 5 yards.
- 26: US break out. Sandhu to Scally to Cota and outside to D. Kainth
- 26: to Harris
- 27: Great passing and it's into the circle and Sasso is able to clear long to the right wing
- 27: US get it back
- 27: They cross it high
- 28: GOAL: This is a nice goal for Martin. His third of the match
- 28: Good skills there to control the ball
- 30: The US continue to attack
- 30: Reyatt on the right
- 30: Harris slips as he dribbles into the circle
- 31: He is stopped and Martin collects it and gets a corner for the US
- 32: GOAL: Nakamura with the direct hit and it goes uner Alicea
- 32: Three minutes to half time and PUR looks tired and unemotional
- 35: And that is the half.
- HT: The US in control of this match as they were in their earlier match against PUR
- 36: Here we go.
- 37: Puerto Rico looking unenthusiastic to start this half
- 38: The US continuing to use all their players and passing the ball around
- 39: High hit out of the back from PUR and the US advance
- 39: Into the circle but Basora stops that
- 40: Montanez dribbling against Harris and is tackled. Montanez goes down but is OK
- 42: Long scoop and Montanez for CHI collects it
- 43: Here is a corner for the US
- 44: Drag flick saved but it's another corner
- 44: Harris gets the drag flick but it pops under his stick
- 45: D Kainth with a shot at goal and a nice save by Alicea
- 45: PUR with some emotion but The US comes back
- 46: They earn a corner
- 49: PUR with a chance now. Martinez crosses it and Reyatt makes a nice defensive play
- 52: Another corner for the US

- 53: GOAL: Nakamura with the direct hit off the defenders stick
- 53: That's the 7th corner goal for the US
- 54: Here is a backhand shot from Hindy. saved
- 54: Now another break and Jordan unleashes
- 54: GOAL: Jordan with a powerful shot
- 58: The pace has dropped considerably as the result was without question by the half
- 59: PUR now moving up and Lastr moving up
- 59: They get a free hit
- 61: US counter and they get a corner
- 61: The drag flick is stopped and cleared
- 63: GOAL: Kundi with a great solo ru up the right side. Controlled the bouncing ball and finishes it in the reverse
- 63: Martinez with some room for PUR, he is their best forward today
- 65: That attack doesn't result in much
- 65: Kindi for the US switching to Sandhu and he is in the clear but doesn't make the most of it
- 66: PUR able to counter. Good defending by Reyat slows down the play
- 66: The US come through with Martin and that's a good tackle from Romero
- 67: The US plays it back. They are controlling the ball throughout this half
- 68: Here is a great chance for PUR. It's in the net, but called back for dangerous play. Cruz Ramos batted that home
- 68: But no goal for PUR.
- 68: They get it back again
- 68: Turnover. US scoops and Kundi some great moves to get a pass into the circle but the shot is high
- 69: PUR with some stick tackling in the midfield which yields a sharp whistle.
- 70: GOAL: Martin finishes a nice passing play from Kundi.
- 70: The final tally is 11-0 for the US. Martin with his 4th goal of the match.
- 70: Kundi with a good second half of play for the US
- 70: Puerto Rico not challenging the US goal and didn't have much to play for after the US were up 3-0 after 15 minutes
- 70: The US taking out some of their frustration from their loss to MEX earlier.
- 70: So the US finishes seventh and Puerto Rico Eighth in the 2nd Pan American Cup
- 70: The three stars as selected by Sandeep Chopra are Jarred Martin, Gurpal Kundi and Jose Martinez Morales.
- 70: A bittersweet finish for the US as they have dropped in their ranking and may not even qualify for the next Pan American Games.
- 70: It could also be the last match for the US for some of their players and staff.
- 70: This is Hari Kant signing off for PlanetFieldHockey.com and the Pan American Hockey Federation

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