

broomball



# History of Broomball

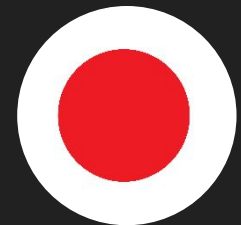
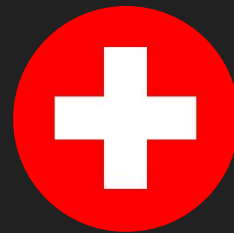
- The first recorded broomball games in North America were in **Toronto** in **1909**.
- Probably, broomball was being played in **Massey**, Ontario in **1890s**.



# Expansion

- First it expanded to the northern USA.
- By the early 1960s, there were organized games being played in Minnesota.

- By the 1980s, organized broomball was being played around the world.



# First World Championships

- ❑ The 1st World Championships (the **Challenge Cup**) were held in **Victoria**, British Columbia in **1991**.
- ❑ Over **800** athletes and **44** teams took part in them.
- ❑ The 1<sup>st</sup> men's champion -- **Embrun Plumbing**.
- ❑ The 1<sup>st</sup> women's champion -- **Amigo Becancour**.



# Rules



- Rules are similar to ice hockey ones.

Roster:

- In the early 1960s:
  - 10 players on the ice per team
  - 1 goalie, 3 defensemen, 3 midlinesmen and 3 forwards
- Since 1967:
  - 8 players on the ice per team
- Since 1980:
  - 6 players per team
  - 1 goalie, 3 forwards and 2 defensemen

# Equipment



**broom**  
(a stick with a rubber-molded triangular head)

**rubber-soled shoes**

# Goalie Equipment

- Goalies often play without a broom and sometimes even standing on their knees.
- They wear a **blocker** and a **mask** like ice hockey goalies.



# Moscow Broomball

- A type of broomball played by **foreign ambassadors** in Moscow.
- Russians are **forbidden** to play.
- **The main difference:** players use an actual broom wrapped with adhesive tape.







Petrolia Girls Team,  
early 1900s

Thank you for your  
attention!