

HOMETOWN: Verona, Wis.

HIGH SCHOOL: Madison Memorial H.S.

COLLEGE: University of Wisconsin

OLYMPIC TEAM: 1980

NATIONAL TEAMS:

'78/'79/'81/'82/'85/'86/'87/'90

YEARS IN NHL: 11 (669 games, 508 points)

CURRENT TEAM:

University of Wisconsin (7th season)
Head Women's Ice Hockey Coach



MARK JOHNSON

Head Coach - 2010 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

University of Wisconsin (1976-79)
2-Time All-America
1977 NCAA Champion
UW Career Goals Leader (125)

Team USA

1980 Olympic Winter Games
Led the "Miracle on Ice" Team with 11 pts
8 - IIHF World Championships
(1978-79, 1981-82, 1985-87, 1990)
3 - Canada Cups (1981, 1984, 1987)

Professional

Pittsburgh Penguins (1980-82)
Minnesota North Stars (1982)
Hartford Whalers (1982-85)
St. Louis Blues (1985)
New Jersey Devils (1985-90)
HC Milano Saima (Italy) (1990-91)
EK Zell am See (Austria) (1991-92)

COACHING HISTORY

1993-94 Asst. Coach, Madison Memorial H.S. Boys
1994-95 Head Coach, Verona Area H.S. Boys
1995-96 Head Coach, Madison Monsters
1996-02 Asst. Coach, Univ. of Wisconsin Men
2002-now Head Coach, Univ. of Wisconsin Women

TEAM USA COACHING EXPERIENCE

2000 Asst. Coach, IIHF Men's World Champ.
2002 Asst. Coach, IIHF Men's World Champ.
2006 Head Coach, Women's Four Nations Cup
2007 Head Coach, IIHF World Women's Champ.
2007 Head Coach, Women's Under-22 Series
2008 Head Coach, Women's Under-18 Series
2009 Head Coach, IIHF World Women's U18 Champ.

CURRENT HIGHLIGHTS (2002-08)

2 National Championships (2006, 2007)
4 NCAA Tournament Appearances (2005-08)
2 National Coach of the Year Awards (2006, 2007)
9 All-Americans
176-37-17 Record (.802)

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From his role as the top scorer on the 1980 U.S. Olympic "Miracle on Ice" team, to his current record-breaking success as the head coach of the women's ice hockey team at the University of Wisconsin, Mark Johnson has left a positive and lasting mark on the game of ice hockey at every level he's been involved as both a player and coach.

Behind the U.S. Bench

While Johnson will be making his first appearance as the head coach of the U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, he is quite familiar with the international scene as a coach. His first assignment came as an assistant coach for the U.S. Men's National Team at the 2000 International Ice Hockey Federation Men's World Championship, a role he also served in at the same event in 2002. Johnson was also an assistant coach at the 2001 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Orientation Camp in Colorado Springs, Colo., which featured 38 of the top American players from the National Hockey League.

Johnson has been part of the U.S. women's national program as a head coach for the past three seasons. In 2006-07, he led Team USA to a second-place finish at



the 2006 Four Nations Cup, as well as the silver medal at the 2007 IIHF World Women's Championship. In 2007-08, Johnson led the U.S. National Under-22 Team and, during the 2008-09 campaign, he guided the U.S. Women's National Under-18 Team to the gold medal at the 2009 IIHF World Women's U18 Championship.

As part of his role as head coach of the 2010 U.S. Olympic Women's Ice Hockey Team, Johnson will also serve as the head coach of the U.S. Women's National Team for the 2009 IIHF World Women's Championship in April, in addition to guiding the squad during the Qwest Tour from September 2008 through February 2010 in the lead-up to the Vancouver Games.

Coaching the Badgers and Beyond

No stranger to the Wisconsin program as coach's son (his father is legendary coach Bob Johnson), player and assistant coach, Mark Johnson stepped into the role of head women's ice hockey coach at UW beginning with the 2002-03 season, becoming the third coach in program history. In six seasons, Johnson and the Badgers have continued to shatter both school and national records, while landing in the NCAA championship game in each of the past three seasons and winning the title twice (2006, 2007).



The Badgers have reached 29 victories in each of the past three campaigns, something no other program has ever accomplished. Since the 2005-06 season, Wisconsin has recorded 101 wins, more than any other team in the nation.

Johnson, the 2006 and 2007 Western Collegiate Hockey Association and American Hockey Coaches Association Division I Coach of the Year, led the Badgers to back-to-back WCHA regular-season, playoff and NCAA championships while winning more games (72) in a two-year period (2005-07) than any other team in women's college hockey history.

During the 2006-07 campaign, Johnson's team broke or tied 18 NCAA team and individual records including wins in a season (36), fewest losses (one), best winning percentage (.927) and most shutouts (18). Johnson leads all active women's college-hockey coaches with a winning percentage of .802 after compiling an impressive record of 176-37-17 in his first six years at Wisconsin.

Named the 2003 WCHA Co-Coach of the Year and one of eight finalists for the AHCA Division I Coach of the Year award, Johnson guided Wisconsin to a 22-8-5 overall and 14-6-4 WCHA record in his first season with the team.

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After going 25-6-3 in 2003-04, the Badgers made history in Johnson's third season, winning a program-record 28 games (28-9-1) and earning their first-ever NCAA tournament berth.

Johnson carried the momentum into the 2005-06 campaign as Wisconsin debuted at No. 1 in the USCHO.com preseason poll and went on to validate that distinction with a 36-4-1 record and a national championship. Meanwhile, Sara Bauer earned the program's first Patty Kazmaier Memorial Award as the top player in NCAA Division I women's ice hockey. As an encore in 2006-07, UW successfully defended all three championships while posting a record of 36-1-4 and solidifying its status as one of the elite women's college hockey programs in the nation.

Prior to his time on the Wisconsin women's bench, Johnson served as an assistant coach with the UW men's ice hockey program from 1996-02.

During that time, he helped the Badgers to a WCHA regular-season title during the 1999-00 season, as well as a WCHA Final Five championship in the 1997-98 campaign.

Prior to his time with the Badgers, Johnson coached professionally, directing the Colonial Hockey League-expansion Madison Monsters to a 37-30-7 mark in the 1995-96 season and earning CHL Coach of the Year honors.

Johnson also led a pair of Wisconsin high schools, serving as the head coach of Verona from 1994-95 and as the assistant coach for his alma mater, Madison Memorial, during the 1993-94 campaign, just one year after retiring from playing.

On the Ice

Johnson played youth hockey with the Madison Flyers and went on to compete for Madison Memorial High School. While a senior at Madison Memorial, Johnson made his Team USA debut, playing 11 games for the 1975-76 U.S. Men's National Team as it trained under his father in preparation for the 1976 Olympic Winter Games.

From there, Johnson went to play for his father at the

University of Wisconsin. As a rookie with the Badgers in 1976-77, Johnson helped the team to the national title, while becoming the first player in program history to garner WCHA Rookie of the Year honors.

Johnson became the school's second all-time leading scorer with 256 points, including a still-standing school-record 125 goals in just three seasons. He was a two-time All-America selection (1978, 1979) and earned league MVP accolades in 1979.

While still at Wisconsin, Johnson participated in two IIHF Men's World Championships (1978, 1979) as a member of Team USA. In lieu of his final season at Wisconsin, Johnson joined the U.S. Men's National Team as it trained for the 1980 Olympic Winter Games. As part of the 1980 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team, Johnson led Team USA with 11 points, including a pair of goals in the "Miracle on Ice" game against the Soviet Union. He was also credited with the assist on the game-winning goal in the come-from-behind victory over Finland, which secured the gold medal for the United States.



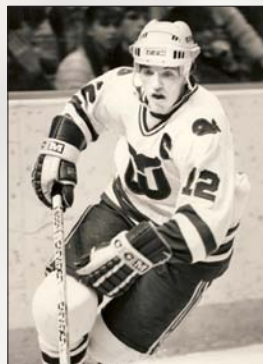
Johnson went on to represent the United States at six more IIHF Men's World Championships (1981-82, 1985-87, 1990) and three Canada Cups (1981, 1984, 1987). During that time, Johnson was also embarking on a successful 11-year National Hockey League career.

After being selected 66th overall in the 1977 NHL Amateur Draft by the Pittsburgh Penguins, Johnson began his pro tenure with the organization at the end of the 1979-80 season after the Olympics. He stayed with the Penguins into the 1981-82 campaign, before being traded to the Minnesota North Stars for the latter part of the season.

Johnson also enjoyed stints with the Hartford Whalers (1982-85), St. Louis Blues (1985) and New Jersey Devils (1985-90). Over his 669 career NHL contests, the forward collected 508 points, including 203 goals and 305

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assists, highlighted by an 87-point season as captain of Hartford in 1983-84. He was named team MVP and also tied an NHL All-Star Game record with three assists that season.



Following the completion of his NHL career in 1990, Johnson was signed by the HC Milano club of the Italian first division. He proved to be one of the top players in Europe in 1990-91 with 77 points in 36 games. Early the next year, he was acquired by the Zell am See club

in Austria, where he starred with 72 points in 33 games to end his pro career on a high note.

In 1998, six years post-retirement and two years into being an assistant coach at Wisconsin, Johnson was called up to play for the U.S. Men's Select Team at the 1998 IIHF A-Pool World Championship Qualification Tournament in Austria. At the age of 41, he helped Team USA retain its position in the World Championships' top pool.

Awards

As an accomplished athlete, coach and humanitarian, Johnson continues to be honored with awards year after year. His latest came in January 2009, as he was named the recipient of the Red Smith Award, given annually to an individual who has contributed or continues to contribute to sports either on or off the field in the state of Wisconsin.

In 2005, he received the NCAA Silver Anniversary award, one the most prestigious honors given by the NCAA, for his accomplishments in the 25 years following his days as a student-athlete.

Further, in 2004, Vince Lombardi Charitable Funds honored Johnson's volunteer work by presenting him with the Award of Excellence. That same year, he was inducted into the U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame for his individual accomplishments as a player and coach. He was previously inducted as a member of the 1980 U.S. Olympic Men's Ice Hockey Team in 2003.

One of Wisconsin's most decorated athletes in any sport, Johnson was inducted into the Wisconsin Athletic Hall of Fame in 2003, the Wisconsin Hockey Hall of Fame in 2001 and is also a charter member of Wisconsin's National W Club Hall of Fame.

In 2002, Johnson was selected as one of the WCHA's "Top 50 Players in 50 Years," and, in 1999, he earned one of international hockey's highest honors when he was inducted into the IIHF Hall of Fame.

In addition, Johnson's contributions as a member of the 1980 Olympic team have continued to be recognized. In 2002, the team attended the opening ceremonies of the Olympic Winter Games to light the flame. That same year, the Miracle on Ice was named the 'Greatest Sports Moment of the Century' by Sports Illustrated. In 2004, Disney produced the blockbuster movie, *Miracle*, chronicling the team's unlikely climb to the top. Later that year, ESPN, as part of its 25th anniversary, declared the Miracle on Ice to be the top sports headline, moment, and game of the period from 1979-2004. Finally, in 2008, as part of its 100th anniversary celebration, the IIHF picked the Miracle on Ice as the No. 1 international hockey story of the century.

Personal

Born in Minneapolis on Sept. 22, 1957, and raised in Madison, Wis., Johnson is the son of legendary coach Bob Johnson. Bob coached Wisconsin to three national titles and led the United States at the 1976 Olympics, three Canada Cups (1981, 1984, 1987) and four IIHF Men's World Championships (1973-75, 1981). He went on to coach the NHL's Calgary Flames for five seasons (1982-87) and led the Pittsburgh Penguins to the Stanley Cup title in 1991 before passing away from brain cancer that fall.

Johnson earned his bachelor's degree in kinesiology from Wisconsin in 1994. He resides in Verona, Wis., with his wife Leslie. The couple has five children, Doug (2/24/84), Chris (11/3/85), Patrick (4/21/89), Mikayla (8/15/94) and Megan (1/15/97). Doug is the head coach for the Wisconsin Ice Spirit Girls' U14 hockey team, Chris is a junior captain for the Augsburg College men's ice hockey team, Patrick is a sophomore on the UW men's ice hockey team and Mikayla and Megan play hockey for the Wisconsin Ice Spirit Girls' U14 and U12 teams, respectively.