



THIS IS FSU SOCCER

Whether it's playing in front of 1,500 fans at the Seminole Soccer Complex or three straight trips to the NCAA Tournament, it is a great time to be a part of Seminole soccer. Few programs can match the combination of success on the field, fan support in the stands and on-campus facilities that makeup the Seminole soccer program. Florida State finished the 2002 campaign in the school's second Sweet 16 in three years, they played in front of a record 12,422 fans, the team was ranked in the top 15 for the third year in a row and the four-year old Seminole Soccer Complex not only hosted the ACC Soccer Championships but was also an NCAA Tournament host site.

Last season, FSU lost the fewest regular season games in school history and once again finished in the top half of the Atlantic Coast Conference. Only two ACC schools have now won as many games as FSU since 2000. The Seminoles were invited to their third consecutive NCAA Tournament and for the second time in three years the Tribe won two games advancing to the Round of 16. Seminole soccer is a program on the rise and everything is in place for FSU to continue to be a major force in women's soccer for years to come.

- If there was ever any doubt whether or not Florida State soccer had arrived as a national power, the team's second Sweet 16 appearance in three years erased those doubts. Of the 287 teams participating in Division I women's soccer in 2002, Florida State was one of just 14 schools that have been to two of the last three Sweet 16's. Less than 5% of all NCAA Division I institutions playing women's college soccer have done what Florida State has accomplished over the last three seasons. Florida State is on a list with North Carolina, Santa Clara, Portland, Stanford, UCLA, Notre Dame, Texas A&M, Connecticut, Penn State, Nebraska, Virginia, Clemson and Dartmouth as schools that have advanced to the final 16 at least twice in the last three seasons.
- For the third year in a row, Florida State finished the season ranked in the top 15 in at least one national soccer poll. The Seminoles have made tremendous strides in the southeast region as well and that was proven in the final polls of 2002. For the first time ever, the Tribe finished second in the region behind only North Carolina and ranked ahead of every ACC school but UNC in the final *SoccerBuzz* poll. In *SoccerBuzz's* final regional rankings FSU finished ahead of Clemson, Auburn, Wake Forest, Florida and Duke to name just a few. Florida State also finished ahead of everyone in the region except for the Heels in the final NSCAA national poll.
- Florida State competes in the Atlantic Coast Conference, which is the nation's top soccer conference. Not only is it home to 17-time National Champion North Carolina but six of the ACC's eight schools participated in the 2002 NCAA Tournament. No conference placed more teams in the NCAA Tournament or the Round of 16 than the ACC.
- The future looks bright for Florida State soccer as Patrick Baker brought in the highest-rated recruiting class in team history in 2003. With this year's class ranked seventh in the nation, Baker has now brought in two top 10 classes in the last three years and four straight top 25 recruiting classes overall. Florida State ranks eighth overall in recruiting since 2000.
- All home games are played at the state-of-the-art Seminole Soccer Complex, which includes ticket and concession buildings and a spacious press box, including press seating, radio/television booths and high-speed Internet access. The two-level Mary Ann Stiles & Barry Smith Team Building houses the coaches' offices which overlook the soccer field, a reception area, a combined workroom, large team and coaches locker rooms, visiting team locker rooms and training and equipment rooms.

Playing for one of the nation's top programs in the country's premier soccer conference, graduating from a prestigious university and playing on a "field of dreams" are all a part of Florida State soccer. ⚽



The 2002 Florida State soccer team stopped at Herndon Stadium in Atlanta to watch the WUSA's championship game. The Seminoles were part of the 15,321 fans they saw the Carolina Courage win the second-ever Founders Cup.



COMMUNITY SERVICE

Helping the people of Tallahassee has always been a priority for head coach Patrick Baker and the Seminole soccer program. Through hundreds of hours of community service work, the Florida State soccer team has been able to thank the city of Tallahassee for all the support the team has received over the last decade. Last year, no team at FSU donated more of its time than the Seminole soccer team who spent an amazing 691 hours performing community service. Each player spent an average of 25 hours working in the community in which they live.

The almost 700 hours of volunteer work in 2002 was simply a continuance of a standard head coach Patrick Baker set for his team when he took over the program four years ago. After winning the Athletic Director's Cup for Community Service in 1999, the 2002 team almost doubled its commitment to Tallahassee as each player spent an average of 10 more hours helping in the community compared to 2001.

"I am very proud of our young ladies and their commitment to community service," said coach Baker. "We have tried to reach out to the community and help in a number of different areas. The team is continually giving of themselves which means a lot to me, our university and the community."

In 2001, the Seminole soccer program made a major commitment as they joined the fight to help stop tobacco use among Florida's school-age population. Florida State soccer teamed up



with the Leon County chapter of SWAT (Students Working Against Tobacco) in a joint effort to stop tobacco usage among Florida's students. The team continued to work with SWAT in 2002 and once again helped in the effort to wipe out tobacco usage in Florida schools.

"The tie-in with sports, and one of the best soccer teams in the country, is a great way to have fun and excitement while reaching the community with our message," said Nicole Payne of the Leon County SWAT when discussing the partnership.

On top of working with SWAT, Seminole soccer players volunteered at four Tallahassee area schools (Leon, Oak Ridge, Hawksridge and Sullivan) and spoke and coached numerous youth teams. Seminole players volunteered at the Miami Children's Hospital, Leon County Education Expo, Women's Sports Day and Gadsden County Red Ribbon.

The largest project the team took on in 2002 was the Youth Education through Sports (YES) Program. In conjunction with the NCAA, the team held a clinic during the ACC Championships with 100's of participants learning from the nation's top players and coaches. The YES clinic in Tallahassee was the first ever held at a conference championship event. ⚽



watch Washington and Carolina battle for the WUSA championship.

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SEMINOLE SOCCER COMPLEX

HOME ATTENDANCE YEAR-BY-YEAR

YEAR	DATES	TOTAL	AVERAGE
1995	5	2922	584
1996	10	5106	511
1997	6	3064	511
1998	11	4598	418
1999	8	2958	370
2000	11	8799	800
2001	8	4515	564
2002	15	12,422	828

ALL TIME RECORDS

YEAR	HOME	AWAY	NEU	TOT
1995	2-3-0	0-8-1	2-3-0	4-14-1
1996	6-4-0	6-2-0-	0-1-1	12-7-1
1997	4-2-0	3-9-0	1-1-0	8-12-0
1998	3-6-2	3-4-1	1-1-0	7-11-3
1999	5-3-1	4-6-0	0-1-0	9-10-1
2000	9-2-0	5-4-1	0-2-1	14-8-2
2001	8-0-0	5-5-0	2-3-1	15-8-1
2002	8-5-2	4-1-1	1-1-0	13-7-3
	45-25-5	30-39-4	7-13-3	82-77-1

TOP TEN HOME ATTENDANCE

DATE	TEAM	ATTENDANCE
9/27/02	Florida	1,603
10/17/00	UNC	1,582
8/25/00	Florida	1,282
10/23/96	Florida	1,123
11/ 2/02	Virginia	1,098
9/20/02	Clemson	1,051
10/13/98	Florida	1,046
11/15/02	Mississippi	972
9/ 8/00	Texas A&M	963
8/30/02	Oregon State	954

In 1995, Florida State introduced women's soccer as its 17th varsity sport. As a new state-of-the-art complex was in the planning stages, the team played its first three seasons on a renovated intramural field while Tully Gym housed the Seminole locker room. By the spring of 1998, Florida State's dream of a new complex started to become a reality, as ground was broken for the new facility and construction began. Although the new facility was not completed, the Seminoles began playing on their new field in the fall of 1998. The 1999 season marked the first full season in the new Seminole Soccer Complex, which is regarded as one of the nation's best with its new top-playing surface.

"We have the field of dreams in a beautiful stadium setting," said head coach Patrick Baker. "There are days when it looks too good to be true. Having the offices and locker rooms at the facility makes our complex all-inclusive. You don't have to leave for anything. Our players have everything at one site. It really is our home away from home."

The state-of-the-art Seminole Soccer Complex includes ticket and concession buildings and a spacious press box, including press seating, radio/television booths and high-speed Internet access. The two-level Mary Ann Stiles & Barry Smith Team Building houses the coaches' offices which overlook the soccer field, a reception area, a combined workroom, large team and coaches locker rooms, visiting team locker rooms and training and equipment rooms.

The Seminole Soccer Complex, which also houses the FSU Softball Complex, is located between Dick Howser Baseball Stadium and Mike Long Track on Chieftan Way. The facility can be accessed from both Chieftan Way and Stadium Drive. ⚽



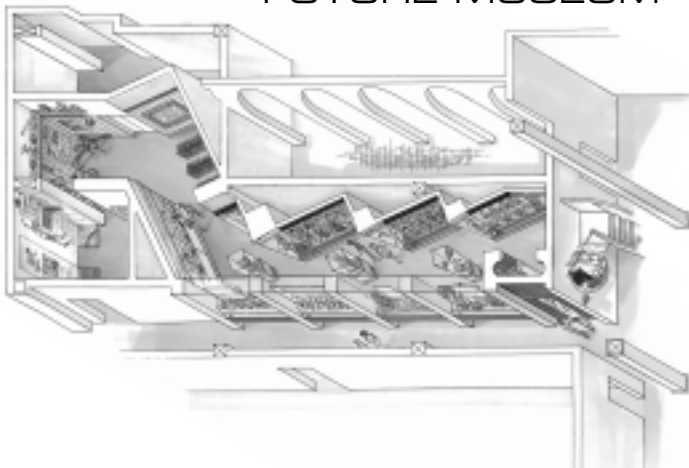
NEW HOME FOR FSU ATHLETICS IN 2004

MOORE ATHLETIC CENTER



Florida State's athletes compete and train in facilities considered to be among the best in the nation. The new Moore Athletic Center, which will be completed this spring, will house offices, conference rooms, classrooms, a cafeteria, museum, weight room, medical preparation/rehabilitation areas, academic advising, the College of Communication and Seminole Productions. The new 176,000 square foot building attaches to the newly renovated football locker rooms and football offices.

FUTURE MUSEUM



THE GREAT HALL

Florida State owns will be only nine years old.