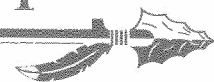




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13th-RANKED SEMINOLES FALL 1-0 TO NO. 16 VIRGINIA ON LAST MINUTE GOAL

Seminole soccer finishes season with the best regular season mark in the program's history.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. – The Florida State soccer team (12-6-1) finished their regular season with a 1-0 loss to the 16th-ranked Cavaliers (10-7) Saturday night. The Seminoles conclude their regular season with the fewest defeats in the history of the program and tied for the most victories in a single season. The match, played in front of 582 fans, also commemorated the final regular season game for six Seminole seniors.

"You want to win all of your games every season but in our conference and with our strength of schedule it was a very good season," said head coach Patrick Baker. "We'll be prepared for Thursday whomever we have to play and hopefully we can make a run in the ACC tournament."

The Seminoles and Cavaliers played to a scoreless tie for over 88 minutes at the Seminole Soccer Complex Saturday night. Both teams had chances to break on top and the action got more frenzied as the clock wound down. Florida State had just come off a flurry in front of the Virginia goalmouth before the Cavaliers launched a counter attack that would produce the game-winning goal.

"We had as many dangerous opportunities as they had," said Baker. "I thought we gutted through some of the emotions of senior night. I felt we played a little better in the second half and created more chances than we did at the start of the match but I don't believe we played our best soccer tonight."

Virginia's Alyssa Benitez, a sophomore from Lake Mary, Florida, scored the winning goal for UVA at the 88:37 mark of the match. Benitez beat senior keeper Sarah Crawford from about 10 yards away and gave Virginia the last minute victory.

"It was a tough night but that is a very good Virginia team," said Baker. "It is really a heart-breaking loss with just 1:23 left on the clock and we were coming off of a flurry at the other end. They took advantage of their opportunity and were able to get out of here with a win."

The Seminoles will head to Durham, NC for a first round ACC tournament game Thursday. FSU won't know its tournament seed or opponent until two other ACC games are played Sunday afternoon.

Soccer Game Summary (Final)

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Goals by Period	1	2	Tot
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Virginia.....	0	1	- 1
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Florida State.....	0	0	- 0
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SCORING SUMMARY:

1. 88:37 UVA Alyssa Benitez (unassisted)

Shots: Virginia 15, Florida State 11

Saves: Virginia 3 (Jodi Clugston 3), Florida State 7 (Sarah Crawford 7)

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Virginia						
Pos.	##	Player	Sh	SOG	G	A

GK	1	Jodi Clugston.....	-	-	-	-
MF	3	Laura Gaworecki.....	2	1	-	-
D	6	Melissa Somadelis...	-	-	-	-
MF	7	Erin Engelhardt.....	-	-	-	-
F	9	Alyssa Benitez.....	-	-	1	-
MF	10	Lori Lindsey.....	4	3	-	-
MF	12	Tracey Lache.....	-	-	-	-
F	15	Darci Borski.....	3	2	-	-
D	17	Ashley Meeker.....	-	-	-	-
MF	20	Katie Tracy.....	3	-	-	-
F	23	Meredith Rhodes.....	-	-	-	-
----- Substitutes -----						
	11	Sarah Lane.....	3	1	-	-
	22	Lindsey Grubbs.....	-	-	-	-
Totals.....			15	7	1	0

Florida State						
Pos.	##	Player	Sh	SOG	G	A

GK	1	Sarah Crawford.....	-	-	-	-
D	6	Ashlee Fontes.....	-	-	-	-
MF	8	Marte Vik Edvardsen.	2	-	-	-
F	11	Cindy Schofield.....	-	-	-	-
D	12	Meredith Jones.....	-	-	-	-
F	15	Emma Breland.....	-	-	-	-
F	16	April Murphy.....	1	-	-	-
MF	18	Sarah Deacon.....	-	-	-	-
MF	20	Rachael Watkin.....	2	-	-	-
D	21	Danielle Foard.....	-	-	-	-
D	24	Ashley Halter.....	-	-	-	-
----- Substitutes -----						
	2	Amber Tollefson.....	1	-	-	-
	4	Kristin Boyce.....	-	-	-	-
	9	Maren Vik Edvardsen.	2	1	-	-
	10	Jenny Garcia.....	-	-	-	-
	13	Summer Corum.....	1	1	-	-
	22	Janet Burke.....	2	2	-	-
	23	Marisha Crowe.....	-	-	-	-
Totals.....			11	4	0	0

Virginia				
##	Player	MIN	GA	Saves

1	Jodi Clugston.....	90:00	0	3

Florida State				
##	Player	MIN	GA	Saves

1	Sarah Crawford.....	90:00	1	7

Shots by Period	1	2	Tot

Virginia.....	7	8	- 15
Florida State.....	3	8	- 11

Saves by Period	1	2	Tot

Virginia.....	1	2	- 3
Florida State.....	3	4	- 7

Corner Kicks	1	2	Tot

Virginia.....	1	0	- 1
Florida State.....	1	1	- 2

Fouls	1	2	Tot

Virginia.....	5	2	- 7
Florida State.....	4	6	- 10

SCORING SUMMARY:

GOAL	Time	Team	##	Goal Scorer	Assists

1.	88:37	UVA	9	Alyssa Benitez	Unassisted

CAUTIONS AND EJECTIONS:

Officials: Referee: Ike Oliver; Asst. Referee: Tim Fouts; Marc Paps; Alt. Official: Ed True;
 Timekeeper: Jen Dowling; Scorer: Elliott Finebloom;
 Offsides: Virginia 2, Florida State 3.

 Referee signature