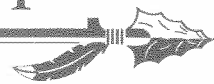




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FSU SOCCER OFF TO BEST START IN PROGRAM HISTORY WITH 3-2 WIN

No. 12 Seminole soccer wins 16th-straight non-conference home game over Louisville.

Tallahassee, FL – The 12th-ranked FSU soccer team downed Louisville 3-2 Sunday afternoon in a match the Seminoles dominated everywhere but the scoreboard. Florida State (6-3-0, 2-0-0) out shot the Cardinals (2-6-0, 1-2-0) 17-5 and held a 12-0 edge in corners but needed a goal in the 75th-minute to get the win, which allowed FSU to equal the best start in program history at 6-3. The win also extended FSU's non-conference home winning streak to 16 and set a record for the best start at home in team history (5-0-0).

"I was disappointed in our team today," said head coach Patrick Baker. "We talked about respecting an opponent like Louisville and we didn't. I was at my wits end at halftime. I said some things that had to be said to them. We felt like just because we are playing at home and just because we are FSU we could just show up and win. That isn't the case."

For the sixth time in nine games in 2001, the Seminoles fell behind an opponent when the Cardinals took a 1-0 lead in the ninth-minute of the game. The FSU defense attempted to clear a ball out of its own 18-yard box, which bounced off of one of its own players backwards to Louisville freshman Lisa Martin. Martin gathered the ball right in front of the Seminole goal and scored the first goal of her career.

Florida State answered the goal five minutes later when the Oklahoma connection, freshmen Jez Ratliff and Camie Bybee, once again hooked up on a play that freed Ratliff behind the Louisville defense. Ratliff lifted the ball to the far post scoring her team-leading fourth goal of the year and raising Bybee's assist total to four on the season.

"I was glad I was able to gain control of the pass and put it in the net," said Ratliff. "Camie hit a ball that was bouncing in the air and their goalie committed. I was just able to get a foot on it and loft it into the net. Camie and I have played together for so long and we've always been able to find each other. We compliment each other so it is a good combination."

Junior Cindy Schofield lifted the Seminoles into the lead in the 34th-minute as she tied Ratliff for the team lead in goals with four. The Lakeland, Fla. native launched a shot from the left side of the pitch about 20-yards out to the far post. The ball beat keeper Meredith Miller and bounced off of the post into the net giving FSU a 2-1 lead.

Florida State though could not close out Louisville in the first half. With just 29 seconds left on the clock, Melissa Wark collected the ball inside of FSU's 18-yard box and fired a shot at freshman keeper Ali Mims. Mims made the save but the



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rebound went right to a waiting Rachel Gold who buried a point blank put back to even the game as the teams went into half.

"We keep talking about not giving up a big-five goal, a goal in the first or last five minutes of a half, but we still haven't found a way to correct that," said Baker. "We are aware of the time because the announcer says 'two minutes left' but we still give a goal up. It's frustrating."

The Seminoles came out in the second half after edging Louisville 7-5 in shots and 5-0 in corner kicks in the opening period and started to really dictate play and control the game. In the second half, FSU out shot the Cardinals 10-0 and held a 7-0 advantage in corners but still was unable to find the net.

Florida State came close to taking the lead in the 71st-minute when senior Maren Vik Edvardsen sent a perfect corner into Kristin Boyce who flicked the ball to the back post with her head. The shot though was saved off of the line by the Louisville defense keeping the game tied at 2-2.

Just three minutes later, FSU would take the lead for good. In a scene that was similar to the Cardinals' second goal, the Seminoles used a rebound that wasn't wrapped up by the keeper to win the game. Marte Vik Edvardsen sent a hard shot at Miller from the top of the box dead center, which the freshman keeper blocked but couldn't control. Sophomore Amber Tollefson snuck in alone behind the defense to put away the rebound for her second game-winner of the year.

"The first half wasn't good and at halftime we realized we didn't come out with the proper respect for Louisville," said Tollefson. "I think we played with a lot more pride and unity in the second half. We started to play for each other. Everyone started to step up and Marte sent a great shot into the box that the keeper didn't control. I was just in the right position at the right time and we needed something to happen."

With the victory, Florida State is now just one win away from surpassing the 1996 team that also began 6-3 and owning the best start in FSU history all by themselves. The Seminoles' win also lifted their home record to 5-0 in 2001 and surpassed the team's record 4-0 home start last season.

Florida State next travels to the University of South Florida Tuesday evening with a chance to start a new winning streak against in-state opponents. The Seminoles had won 12-straight games against teams from the state of Florida before Friday night's loss to the Gators and will look to once again chase the unofficial state title we the travel to USF and then head to Orlando Friday to take on the UCF Golden Knights..

Louisville vs No. 12 Florida State (Sep 30, 2001 at Tallahassee, Fla)

Louisville (2-6-0) vs. No. 12 Florida State (6-3-0)

Date: Sep 30, 2001 Attendance: 618

Goals by period 1 2 Tot



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Louisville..... 2 0 - 2
No. 12 Florida State 2 1 - 3

SCORING SUMMARY:

1. 8:31 LOU Lisa Martin (1) (unassisted)
2. 13:03 FSU Jez Ratliff (4) (Camie Bybee)
3. 33:55 FSU Cindy Schofield (4) (Jez Ratliff)
4. 44:31 LOU Rachel Gold (2) (unassisted)
5. 74:33 FSU Amber Tollefson (3) (unassisted)

Shots: Louisville 5, No. 12 Florida State 17

Saves: Louisville 5 (Meredith Miller 4; TEAM 1), No. 12 Florida State 3 (Ali Mims 3)

FSU's 16th-straight non-conference home win.

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Soccer Box Score (Final)

The Automated ScoreBook For Soccer

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 Weather: 70 degrees and 12 mph winds

Goals by period 1 2 Tot

 Louisville..... 2 0 - 2
 No. 12 Florida State 2 1 - 3

Louisville						
Pos.	##	Player	Sh	SOG	G	A
GK	0	Meredith Miller.....	-	-	-	-
MF	3	Lisa Martin.....	1	1	1	-
D	8	Heather Orahoad.....	-	-	-	-
F	9	Amber Jolley.....	-	-	-	-
MF	10	Jerika Amos.....	-	-	-	-
F	12	Mandy Rost.....	-	-	-	-
D	15	Kristin Tapp.....	1	1	-	-
MF	16	Gina Lower.....	1	1	-	-
D	20	Leigh Carroll.....	-	-	-	-
MF	23	Jenny Starr.....	-	-	-	-
D	24	Melissa Wark.....	1	1	-	-
----- Substitutes -----						
	2	Noelle Hill.....	-	-	-	-
	18	Rachel Gold.....	1	1	1	-
Totals.....			5	5	2	0

No. 12 Florida State						
Pos.	##	Player	Sh	SOG	G	A
GK	0	Ali Mims.....	-	-	-	-
MF	2	Amber Tollefson.....	2	2	1	-
D	4	Kristin Boyce.....	4	1	-	-
F	5	Jez Ratliff.....	3	3	1	1
D	6	Ashlee Fontes.....	-	-	-	-
MF	8	Marte Vik Edvardsen.	-	-	-	-
F	9	Maren Vik Edvardsen.	-	-	-	-
D	12	Meredith Jones.....	1	-	-	-
MF	13	Summer Corum.....	-	-	-	-
MF	15	Camie Bybee.....	3	-	-	1
D	20	Katie Beal.....	1	-	-	-
----- Substitutes -----						
	7	Shane Gallo.....	-	-	-	-
	10	Jenny Garcia.....	-	-	-	-
	11	Cindy Schofield.....	3	2	1	-
	14	Katie Talley.....	-	-	-	-
	17	Marion Cagle.....	-	-	-	-
	25	Christy Peacock.....	-	-	-	-
Totals.....			17	8	3	2

Louisville			
##	Player	MIN	GA Saves
0	Meredith Miller.....	90:00	3 4
TM TEAM.....		0:00	0 1

No. 12 Florida State			
##	Player	MIN	GA Saves
0	Ali Mims.....	90:00	2 3

Shots by period			
	1	2	Tot
Louisville.....	5	0	- 5
No. 12 Florida State	7	10	- 17

Corner kicks			
	1	2	Tot
Louisville.....	0	0	- 0
No. 12 Florida State	5	7	- 12

Saves by period			
	1	2	Tot
Louisville.....	2	3	- 5
No. 12 Florida State	3	0	- 3

Fouls			
	1	2	Tot
Louisville.....	9	7	- 16
No. 12 Florida State	7	8	- 15


SCORING SUMMARY:

GOAL	Time	Team	##	Goal Scorer	Assists
1.	8:31	LOU	3	Lisa Martin (1)	Unassisted
2.	13:03	FSU	5	Jez Ratliff (4)	15 Camie Bybee
3.	33:55	FSU	11	Cindy Schofield (4)	5 Jez Ratliff
4.	44:31	LOU	18	Rachel Gold (2)	Unassisted
5.	74:33	FSU	2	Amber Tollefson (3)	Unassisted

CAUTIONS AND EJECTIONS:

YC-FSU #8 (30:11)

Officials: Referee: Bob Yobonovich; Asst. Referee: Paul Denton; Tim Fouts;
 Alt. Official: Dickson Ezelyia; Timekeeper: Michael Morrell; Scorer: Elliott Finebloom;
 Officiated: Louisville 0, No. 12 Florida State 4.
 Final: 16th-straight non-conference home win.


 Referee signature

Shot Chart
The Automated ScoreBook For Soccer
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Louisville

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B: close left wing
15S

A: in the box
3*G*
24S
18*G*

C: close right wing

E: far left wing

D: top of box
16S

F: far right wing

No. 12 Florida State

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B: close left wing
4
2S

A: in the box
15w
5*G*
5S
5S
4
11
4
2*G*
11S
4

C: close right wing
15w

E: far left wing

D: top of box
11*G*
15
20w
12

F: far right wing

SYMBOLS: *G*=Goal S=Save w=Wide/High p=Post/Crossbar b=Blocked

Team Shot Summary

Louisville

TOTAL SHOTS ATTEMPTED	5
BLOCKED BY DEFENSE	0
SHOTS OFF TARGET	0
POSTS	0
SHOTS ON TARGET	5
SAVED BY GOALIE	3
GOALS SCORED	2

No. 12 Florida State

TOTAL SHOTS ATTEMPTED	17
BLOCKED BY DEFENSE	0
SHOTS OFF TARGET	8
POSTS	1
SHOTS ON TARGET	7
SAVED BY GOALIE	4
GOALS SCORED	3