



#13 Furman Paladins (8-1-1, 2-0 SoCon) vs. The Citadel Bulldogs (2-8, 0-3 SoCon)



FURMAN SOCCER GAME NOTES

The Furman men's soccer team is currently 8-1-1 on the season and ranked in all three national polls. Furman is 13th in the NSCAA and Soccer Times polls, while they are 17th in Soccer America.

Furman crushed Wofford 7-1 on Wednesday night. John Barry Nusum set the tone as he scored 16 seconds into the match. It was the quickest goal in Furman soccer history and the sixth quickest goal in NCAA Division I history. Stephen Rodriguez scored the second goal of the match at the 20:24 mark, while Ryan Conway scored twice to put Furman ahead 4-0. Geno Mayes netted the fifth goal of the match later in the first half. In the second half, freshman Anthony Esquivel scored his first career goal off an assist from his high school teammate Matt Foxhall. After a Wofford goal, Daniel Alvarez scored to extend Furman's lead to 7-1.

Furman finished second in the Clemson/Nike Invitational last weekend. Furman downed Akron 3-1 in the first match. In the championship match, the Paladins played #2 ranked Santa Clara and lost 1-0 in a close, hard-fought battle. Santa Clara is now the nation's #1 team in two of the three major national polls.

Sophomore John Barry Nusum is the Paladins leading scorer with eight goals on the season. Nusum is third in the conference in scoring. Senior midfielder Daniel Alvarez currently leads the Southern Conference in assists with seven. Alvarez ranks eighth in the nation in assists per match. He now has 32 career assists, just one shy of the all-time Furman record of 33 held by Jeff Jones (1984-87).

Furman has not allowed more than one goal in any match this season. When Santa Clara scored in the 70th minute against Furman, it marked the first time all season that Furman has trailed in a match. Santa Clara's 1-0 shutout of Furman marked the first time all season Furman had been shutout.

Series Record: Furman owns a 22-11-2 all time series advantage over The Citadel. The Paladins have won the last 20 matches, streak that extends back to 1983.

Next Match: Furman will venture on a three match road trip, with matches at Appalachian State, UNC Greensboro, and Davidson. Students can take a free bus ride to Greensboro for the UNCG match on October 16. Call 294-3469 to sign up. The Paladins' next home match will be October 4 against VMI, while Furman will host Clemson on October 27.

FURMAN PLAYER PROFILE

Scott Blount



1999: Started all ten matches for the Paladins in goal...leads the Southern Conference with a goals against average of 0.72...named Southern Conference player-of-the-week, MVP of the UAB/Nike Classic, and was a member of the Soccer America Team-of-the-Week after Furman's opening season tournament... recorded 17 saves for Furman in that tournament as the Paladins won the UAB/Nike Classic...has not allowed more than one goal in any match this season.

1998: Served as Ronnie Pascale's backup...did not see any action, thus earning a redshirt...a SoCon Honor Roll member.

1997: Started five matches at goalkeeper, including Furman's first four matches of the season...played in 511 minutes, recording 13 saves and allowing five goals...finished with a 0.88 goals against average...recorded three shutouts on the season...a SoCon Honor Roll member.

High School/Club Soccer: 1997 graduate of Montgomery Bell Academy...named to all-district team three times, all-region team twice, and all-state team twice...paced Montgomery Bell to the district championship his senior year...selected as the 1997 Nashville Banner All-Area Player-of-the-Year...active in Tennessee Olympic Development Program as a member of state team and Region III squad.

1999 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE SOCCER STANDINGS

Team	Conference			Overall			GF	GA
	W	L	T	W	L	T		
UNC Greensboro	3	0	0	6	5	0	25	14
#13 Furman	2	0	0	8	1	1	25	8
Appalachian State	2	0	0	5	5	0	16	21
College of Charleston	3	1	0	3	6	1	7	15
Georgia Southern	2	1	0	4	6	0	21	32
Davidson	2	2	0	5	6	0	17	18
VMI	0	3	0	5	5	0	25	19
The Citadel	0	3	0	2	8	0	21	42
Wofford	0	4	0	1	9	0	13	38

1999 THE CITADEL ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown
0	Matt Schupp	GK	Fr.	Fr. Marietta, Ga.
2	Johnnie Keen	MF	Jr.	Chapin, S.C.
3	Scott Taylor	MF	Sr.	Goose Creek, S.C.
4	Cody Bragg	MF	Fr.	Plano, Texas
5	Ben Wilson	MF	Fr.	Chapin, S.C.
6	Ryan Hall	MF	Jr.	Greenville, S.C.
7	Corey Martin	F	Sr.	Englewood, Colo.
8	Hamilton Peters	MF	So.	Lexington, S.C.
9	Clifton Speaks	MF	Sr.	Lexington, S.C.
10	Mastin Robeson	D	Fr.	Manassas, Va.
11	Charlie Mottram	D	Sr.	Pitts Grove, N.J.
12	Conrad Monfedini	GK	Fr.	Decatur, Ga.
13	J.R. Byrd	F	So.	Columbia, S.C.
14	Ryan Lister	F	Sr.	Mt. Pleasant, S.C.
15	Lee McPhatter	F	So.	Waldorf, Md.
16	Ryan Lee	D	Jr.	Tarpon Springs, Fla.
17	Brian Galloway	D	So.	Lilburn, Ga.
18	Joseph Mosser	MF	Fr.	Columbia, S.C.
19	Vinse Sullivan	MF	Sr.	Hanahan, S.C.
20	Greg Durant	D	Fr.	South Kingston, R.I.
—	Matt Beecher	MF	Fr.	Piedmont, S.C.
—	Jamie Hyland	MF	Sr.	Mt. Pleasant, S.C.
—	Jonathan Lester	MF	Fr.	Marietta, Ga.
—	Matthew McLain	MF	Fr.	Ramstein, Germany
—	Ross Stabler	MF	Fr.	Mt. Pleasant, S.C.
—	Eric Vargulic	D	Fr.	Marietta, Ga.

Head Coach: Joel Christy (The Citadel '89)
Assistant Coaches: Henry Ellis, C.J. Rozzi

BULLDOG NOTES

The Citadel is 2-8 on the year, 0-3 in the Southern Conference. The Bulldogs have defeated Elon and Coker this season. The Citadel is led by Ben Wilson, with four goals.

Next Match: The Citadel will host UNC Greensboro on October 12.

NATIONAL SOCCER POLLS

NSCAA	Soccer America	Soccer Times
1. Santa Clara	1. Indiana	1. Santa Clara
2. Duke	2. UCLA	2. Duke
3. St. Louis	3. Santa Clara	3. UCLA
4. Indiana	4. Penn State	4. Indiana
5. Penn State	5. St. Louis	5t. Penn State
6. UCLA	6. Duke	5t. St. Louis
7. Wake Forest	7. VCU	7. VCU
8. VCU	8. SW Missouri	8. SW Missouri St.
9. San Diego	9. San Diego	9. SMU
10. SW Missouri	10. SMU	10. Seton Hall
11. U Conn	11. Maryland	11. San Diego
12. Maryland	12. Seton Hall	12. Maryland
13. Furman	13. U Conn	13t. Furman
14. Portland	14. Portland	13t. Creighton
15. Seton Hall	15. Yale	15. U Conn
16. Yale	16. Jacksonville	16. Jacksonville
17. Creighton	17. Furman	17. Portland
18. St. John's	18. Brown	18. CS Fullerton
19. Virginia	19. Creighton	19t. St. John's
20. Jacksonville	20. CS Fullerton	19t. Virginia
21. Oakland		21. Yale
22. California		22. North Carolina
23. CS Fullerton		23. California
24. SMU		24. Cincinnati
25. Brown		25. Oakland

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