



# #15 Furman Paladins (6-0, 1-0 SoCon) vs. South Carolina Gamecocks (4-2-1)



## FURMAN SOCCER GAME NOTES

The Furman men's soccer team is currently 6-0 on the season and ranked in all three national polls. Furman is 15th in the Soccer America national poll, 16th in the Soccer Times poll and ranked 20th by the NSCAA. In addition, the Paladins are fourth in the NSCAA South Region Poll.

Earlier this week the Paladins traveled to Charleston and downed the College of Charleston 2-1 in overtime. After a John Barry Nusum goal, the Cougars evened the score with 20 minutes to play. Furman had a number of chances late in regulation, but was unable to score. Doug Allison's decision to insert freshman Jody Keeling into the match for the first time at the start of overtime paid off as Keeling scored the game-winner after just 1:11.

Furman is now off to its best start in school history and the current six match winning streak matches the Furman's longest ever.

Sophomore John Barry Nusum is the Paladins leading scorer with five goals on the season. Nusum is fifth in the conference in scoring. Senior midfielder Daniel Alvarez currently leads the Southern Conference in assists with six. Entering the week, Alvarez ranked 16th in the country in assists per match. He now has 31 career assists, just two shy of the all-time Furman record of 33 held by Jeff Jones (1984-87). Sophomore goalkeeper Scott Blount is also among the nation's leaders, as he entered the week 17th in the nation with a 0.59 goals against average.

Furman head coach Doug Allison, a former Gamecock player and assistant coach, is South Carolina's all-time leading scorer. Allison scored 63 goals and recorded 32 assists during his collegiate career from 1984-87. He was later an assistant coach at USC from 1991-94.

Furman is the favorite to win the Southern Conference as the Paladins edged UNC Greensboro in the Southern Conference preseason coaches poll. Matt Goldsmith, a U.S. Under 20 National Team member, is a preseason second team *College Soccer Weekly* All-American. He was an honorable mention All-American as a freshman.

**Series Record:** South Carolina holds a 19-7-2 all-time advantage over the Paladins. Since 1991, the series is even at 4-4.

**Next Match:** Furman will play in Clemson's tournament next weekend. Furman will face #21 Akron on Friday at 5 p.m. and #2 Santa Clara Sunday at 12:30 p.m.

## FURMAN PLAYER PROFILE

### Seth Marks



**1999:** Started all six matches at defender for the Paladins...recorded one assist in the year...currently ranks ninth on Furman's all-time assist chart.

**1998:** Started 21 matches at sweeper...tallied five assists on the season...scored Furman's most memorable goal of the season with a 30-foot shot to the upper corner of the goal with 25 seconds remaining to force a tie with unbeaten UNC Charlotte...selected as an NSCAA All-South first team member and as first team All-Southern Conference...member of the NSCAA

Scholar Athlete All America 2nd team and NSCAA Scholar Athlete South Region first team...a SoCon Honor Roll Member.

**1997:** The Paladins' most consistent overall player, starting all 20 matches...recorded seven assists on the year, including key assists in Furman's victories over UNC Greensboro, Vanderbilt, and North Carolina...named to the SoCon All-Tournament Team...a SoCon Honor Roll member.

**1996:** Scored first goal of season for the Paladins in a win over Charleston Southern...recorded seven assists on the year, including two dishes against Winthrop and The Citadel...a SoCon Honor Roll member.

**High School/Club Soccer:** Product of Leesville Road High School, where he played midfield and sweeper under Paul DinKenor...led Leesville Road to a 20-1-5 record and the semifinals of the state AAAA playoffs his senior year.

## 1999 SOUTHERN CONFERENCE SOCCER STANDINGS

Team	Conference			Overall				
	W	L	T	W	L	T	GF	GA
#15 Furman	1	0	0	6	0	0	14	4
UNC Greensboro	1	0	0	4	4	0	16	11
VMI	0	0	0	4	2	0	18	9
Appalachian State	0	0	0	3	3	0	5	15
The Citadel	0	0	0	1	3	0	4	21
Wofford	0	0	0	1	5	0	7	18
Georgia Southern	0	0	0	1	5	0	12	26
Davidson	0	1	0	3	5	0	9	14
College of Charleston	0	1	0	0	5	0	3	10

## 1999 SOUTH CAROLINA ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown
0	Michael Bachmeyer	GK	R-Fr.	Charlotte, N.C.
1	Henry Ring	GK	R-Jr.	Franklin, Tenn.
2	Anders Ronnevig	M	Sr.	Oslo, Norway
3	Ben Stephenson	D	Jr.	Ellicott City, Md.
4	Scott Campagna	D	Sr.	Lilburn, Ga.
5	Rodney Perry	F	Fr.	Lithonia, Ga.
6	Tim Glowienka	M	Fr.	Oak Ridge, Tenn.
7	Ryan O'Neill	M	Sr.	Wallingford, Penn.
8	Joey Worthen	F	So.	Salt Lake City, Utah
9	John Harr	F	Sr.	Sarpsborg, Norway
10	David Testo	F	Fr.	Arden, N.C.
11	Alex Balasco	F	So.	Roswell, Ga.
12	Anthony Vitagliano	M	So.	Scottsdale, Ariz.
13	Chris Lockwood	D	Jr.	Arlington, Tex.
14	Jon Rich	M	Fr.	Phoenix, Ariz.
15	Mike Harmon	D	So.	Columbia, S.C.
16	Matt Stephenson	F	Jr.	Ellicott City, Md.
17	Hans Whetstone	D	Sr.	West Columbia, S.C.
18	Michael Kozak	M	Fr.	Florence, S.C.
20	Chris Morman	D	Sr.	Brentwood, Tenn.
21	Jordan Quinn	M	Fr.	Weston, Fla.
22	Ryan Stocking	M	So.	Upland, Calif.
23	Christopher Herron	M	Fr.	Stone Mountain, Ga.
24	Jukka Sundquist	F	Fr.	Tampere, Finland
34	Zach Jordan	GK	Fr.	Charlotte, N.C.
	Dave Moore	M	R-So.	Raleigh, N.C.

Head Coach: Mark Berson

Assistant Coaches: David Golan, Richard Rowell

## GAMECOCK NOTES

South Carolina is 4-2-1 on the season after losing to William & Mary 4-1 on Wednesday. The Gamecocks defeated the The Citadel, UNCC, Winthrop, and Air Force this season, while they also suffered a loss to Davidson and battled Wake Forest to a 3-3 tie. Joey Worthen is the Gamecocks leading scorer with five goals and three assists on the year.

**Next Match:** South Carolina's next match is at Rutgers next weekend.

## NATIONAL SOCCER POLLS

### NSCAA Top 25

- Penn State
- Santa Clara
- Creighton
- Maryland
- Duke
- CS Fullerton
- Indiana
- St. Louis
- Yale
- St. Louis
- UCLA
- North Carolina
- SMU
- San Diego
- Cincinnati
- Virginia
- U Conn
- Wake Forest
- Seton Hall
- Furman**
- Akron
- VCU
- Brown
- Jacksonville
- James Madison
- Portland
- Rutgers

### Soccer America

- Maryland
- Penn State
- Indiana
- UCLA
- Santa Clara
- CS Fullerton
- Creighton
- St. Louis
- SMU
- St. John's
- Yale
- Brown
- Duke
- Jacksonville
- Furman**
- San Diego
- Virginia
- North Carolina
- Stanford
- U Conn

### Soccer Times

- Creighton
- Maryland
- Penn State
- Duke
- Santa Clara
- St. Louis
- UCLA
- CS Fullerton
- Indiana
- St. John's
- SMU
- Yale
- Wake Forest
- U Conn
- Virginia
- Furman**
- North Carolina
- Cincinnati
- San Diego
- Akron
- Stanford
- Rutgers
- Gonzaga
- Jacksonville
- SW Mo. St.

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