



**Furman Men's Soccer Game Release**  
**Furman vs. UAB**  
**November 20, 2001, 7:00 p.m.**  
**NCAA First Round**  
**Columbia, SC -- Eugene Stone III Stadium**



**THE GAME**

Furman will face UAB in the first round of the 2001 NCAA Tournament in Columbia, South Carolina on Friday at 7:00. The winner of the match will advance to the second round of the tournament to play host South Carolina on Sunday. UAB enters the match 13-5 on the season.

**HEAD COACH**

Furman: Doug Allison (South Carolina '89)  
 112-29-9 (.777), 7th Year at Furman  
 112-29-9 (.777), 7th Year Overall

UAB: Mike Getman (Indiana '82)  
 124-66-9 (.646), 10th Year at UAB  
 165-92-18 (.633), 15th Year Overall

**THE SERIES**

Furman and UAB have played four times over their histories and have split a 2-2 record in those matches, all in the last four seasons. UAB won the most recent contest, on October 14, 2001, as they defeated the Paladins 2-1 in Birmingham. UAB also won in 2000, while Furman claimed an early season 1999 victory. This is a match-up of two 1999 NCAA quarterfinalists.

2001	UAB 2, Furman 1	@ UAB
2000	UAB 2, Furman 1 (OT)	@ Furman
1999	Furman 1, UAB 0 (OT)	@ UAB
1998	Furman 1, UAB 0	@ Furman

**2001 SCHEDULE & RESULTS**

Furman (17-4, 8-0 SoCon)

Aug. 31	@Furman 7, Belmont 0
Sept. 7	@Furman 3, Notre Dame 2 (2OT)
Sept. 9	@Furman 4, Florida International 1
Sept. 22	@Furman 5, The Citadel 0
Sept. 25	Furman 4, @ Coll. of Charleston 0
Sept. 28	Furman 3, VCU 0 (@ Clemson)
Sept. 30	Furman 2, Cal-Poly 1 (@ Clemson)
Oct. 3	South Carolina 3, @ Furman 2 (2OT)
Oct. 6	Furman 4, @ Appalachian St. 1
Oct. 10	@ Furman 3, Georgia Southern 0
Oct. 14	@ UAB 2, Furman 1
Oct. 17	Clemson 3, @ Furman 2 (2OT)
Oct. 19	@ Furman 7, VMI 2
Oct. 26	Kentucky 1, Furman 0 (@ FIU)
Oct. 28	Furman 4, Michigan 0 (@ FIU)
Oct. 31	@ Furman 7, Wofford 0
Nov. 3	Furman 1, @ Davidson 0
Nov. 10	Furman 3, @ UNCG 1
Nov. 15	Furman 3, Wofford 0 (@SoCon Tourn.)
Nov. 17	Furman 1, C.of Char. 0 (@SoCon Tourn.)
Nov. 18	Furman 2, UNCG 1 (@SoCon Tourn.)

UAB (13-5, 7-3 Conference USA)

Aug. 31	UAB 2, @ Coastal Carolina 0
Sept. 8	@ UAB 1, Pittsburgh 0
Sept. 9	@ UAB 5, Florida Atlantic 0
Sept. 21	UAB 2, Brown 0 (@ Yale)
Sept. 23	@ Yale 2, UAB 1
Sept. 28	@ UAB 2, Marquette 1
Sept. 30	UAB 2, @ Charlotte 1
Oct. 5	UAB 3, @ South Florida 0
Oct. 7	@ UAB 2, Alabama A&M 0
Oct. 12	@UAB 2, Louisville 1
Oct. 14	@ UAB 2, Furman 1

Oct. 17	Memphis 3, @ UAB 2
Oct. 20	UAB 4, @ DePaul 0
Oct. 24	@ UAB 1, St. Louis 0
Oct. 28	@ Cincinnati 3, UAB 2
Nov. 2	@ UAB 2, TCU 1
Nov. 9	@ East Carolina 2, UAB 0
Nov. 16	Marquette 4, UAB 1 (@ C-USA Tourn.)

**SCOUTING UAB**

UAB enters with a 13-5 overall record, but has dropped three of its last four and have are just 3-4 since defeating Furman on October 14. UAB is 4-0 against teams in the NCAA Tournament as the Blazers claimed wins over Coastal Carolina, South Florida, Furman, and St. Louis this season. All five of UAB's losses, though, have come to non-tournament teams.

**NOTING THE PALADINS**

✓ **THE BIG DANCE...**After winning its third consecutive Southern Conference Tournament, Furman is making its third straight appearance in the NCAA Tournament and fifth overall. Last year, the Paladins were defeated by Clemson 3-2 on a snowy day at Riggs Field in the first round. In 1999, Furman advanced to the quarterfinals with wins over North Carolina (2-1 in OT) and Wake Forest (4-0) before falling to Connecticut (3-2). Furman's first ever NCAA Tournament appearance came in 1991 where the Paladins downed Wake Forest 1-0 before falling to N.C. State 4-1. Then in 1993, Furman received a bid and lost to South Carolina 1-0. Combined, Furman has a 3-4 record in the NCAA Tournament and has matched its opponents with 12 goals a piece.

✓ **THE REDEMPTION BRACKET...**All four of the teams Furman lost to this season are in the Paladins immediate bracket. If Furman gets past UAB (L 2-1), it will play South Carolina (L 3-2, OT). The winner of the Columbia regional plays the winner of the Clemson regional, which features Clemson (L 3-2 OT) and Kentucky (L 1-0) as well as Mercer (DNP). Furman holds a 2-4 record against teams in the field as Furman defeated Notre Dame and Florida International earlier this season.

✓ **THE OTHER STONE STADIUM...** Interestingly, Furman's and South Carolina's soccer stadium are both named after the same man, Eugene E. Stone III. South Carolina's Stone Stadium will be the site of Furman's first round match with UAB. The Paladins hold a 1-1-1 record at the stadium, also known as the "Graveyard", all against USC.

✓ **SOCON DOMINANCE...**Furman's dominance of the Southern Conference over the last two decades is remarkable. A few key points:  
 • Furman has won the last four SoCon regular season titles, 11 of the last 12, and 16 of the last 19. The Paladins have also won the last three SoCon tournament titles, five of the last six, and seven of the last nine.  
 • Since 1986, the Paladins have won either the regular season or the tournament every season.  
 • Furman has posted a 108-8 Southern Confer-

**2001 SOCON STANDINGS**

Team	SoCon	Overall
Furman	8-0	14-4
Davidson	6-2	11-7
UNC Greensboro	6-2	11-7
Appalachian State	4-4	9-7
College of Charleston	4-4	5-10-1
VMI	3-4-1	6-10-1
Georgia Southern	3-5	7-11
Wofford	1-6-1	4-12
The Citadel	0-8	0-14

**2001 SOCON TOURNAMENT**

@ Patriots Point, Charleston, S.C.

**Thursday, November 2**

Furman 3, Wofford 0  
 Georgia Southern 2, Davidson 1

**Friday, November 3**

UNCG 1, VMI 0  
 College of Charleston 2, Appalachian St. 1 (OT)

**Saturday, November 4**

Furman 1, College of Charleston 0  
 UNCG 1, Georgia Southern 0

**Sunday, November 6**

Furman 2, UNCG 1

**2001 REGULAR SEASON HONORS**

Southern Conference Player-of-the-Week

Week 1: Scott Hoch  
 Week 3: John Barry Nusum  
 Week 7: Scott Blount

Soccer America Team-of-the-Week

September 13: John Barry Nusum  
 September 26: John Barry Nusum  
 November 21: Anthony Esquivel

College Soccer News Team-of-the-Week

September 13: John Barry Nusum  
 October 2: Sergei Raad  
 November 13: John Barry Nusum  
 November 20: Patrick Tanner

Umbro/Spinx Furman Invitational

All-Tournament Team  
 John Barry Nusum (O-MVP)  
 Sergei Raad Scott Blount

Clemson/Nike All Tournament Team  
 Sergei Raad (O-MVP) Jack Handy  
 Matt Goldsmith Andy Kidd

**2001 POST SEASON HONORS**

Southern Conference Player-of-the-Year  
 John Barry Nusum

Southern Conference Freshman-of-the-Year  
 Clint Dempsey

All-Southern Conference First Team  
 Scott Blount John Barry Nusum  
 Matt Goldsmith

All-Southern Conference Second Team  
 Clint Dempsey Sergei Raad  
 Anthony Esquivel

Southern Conference All-Tournament  
 Anthony Esquivel (MVP) Kenneth Penn  
 Andy Kidd Patrick Tanner

ence regular season record since 1983.

• Furman has finished the regular season a perfect 8-0 over the last three seasons and the Paladins have a 33 match conference unbeaten streak. The 33 match conference unbeaten streak is the fourth longest in NCAA Division I history, trailing Clemson (1972-1980, 42 matches), Indiana (1995-2000, 38 matches), and Appalachian State (1977-1982, 35 matches).

✓ **STREAKY SEASON**...Furman's 2001 campaign has been one of streaks. The Paladins opened the season with seven straight victories and achieved a national ranking as high as 3rd. Furman's next seven matches, were not nearly as productive though, as the Paladins went 3-4 in that stretch. Furman has rebounded to win its last seven matches as the Paladins are 17-4 on the year.

✓ **OFFENSIVE POWER**...Furman currently holds the nation's most potent offense as the Paladins have scored 68 goals thus far this season for an average of 3.24 goals per match. Furman's 68 goals also leads Division I as the most goals scored by a team. Furman led the nation last season as well.

<u>Top Scoring Offense</u>			
Team	Goals	M	Avg.
1. Furman	68	21	3.24
2. SMU	58	19	3.05
3. Winthrop	56	19	2.95
4. St. Louis	48	17	2.82

✓ **STINGY DEFENSE**...Furman has been incredibly stingy on defense this season allowing only 0.83 goals per match. The Paladins have only given up three goals on two occasions this season. Furman has been especially hard on the offenses of Southern Conference opponents. The Paladins are holding conference foes to only 0.42 goals per match.

✓ **SHUTOUT STREAKS**...Furman has had two impressive consecutive shutout streaks this season. The Paladins put together 302 minutes of shutout soccer in matches between September 9th and September 30th. Furman then posted a 359 minute shutout streak from October 28 to November 10.

✓ **ALLISON AMONG THE NATION'S BEST**...Furman head coach Doug Allison is currently in his seventh season at Furman and has posted a 112-29-9 overall record. Allison's winning percentage of .777 is third-best among active Division I head coaches. He trails only Indiana's Jerry Yeagley and SMU's Schellas Hyndman. On September 28th, Allison earned his 100th career win with a 4-0 victory at the College of Charleston. Allison, who earned his 100th win in only 134 career matches, is believed to be one of the fastest coaches to 100 wins in college soccer history.

<u>Top Winning Percentage</u>			
<u>Active Head Coaches</u>			
1. Jerry Yeagley, Indiana	508-93-38		.825
2. Schellas Hyndman, SMU	374-95-33		.778
3. Doug Allison, Furman	112-29-9		.777
4. George Gelnovaltch, UVA	99-27-12		.761

✓ **A SUCCESS AT ALL LEVELS**...Furman is not the first place that Doug Allison has found success in the collegiate ranks. Allison, a native of Bath, England, came to the United States in 1984 to play soccer at the University of South

Carolina. At USC, he led the Gamecocks to a combined 67-14-6 record and is still South Carolina's all-time leading scorer with 63 goals and 32 assists. Prior to taking the Furman job, Allison served as an assistant coach at both North Carolina and South Carolina. In seven seasons as an assistant, Allison's teams compiled a 95-38-12 record. Allison's combined college soccer record as a player, assistant coach, and head coach is 274-81-27 for a .753 winning percentage.

✓ **NATIONAL POWER**...Since Allison's arrival at Furman, the Paladins have posted a 112-29-9 record, the fifth best record in the nation over that time span.

<u>Best Winning Percentage Since 1995</u>		
1. Indiana	126-24-6	.827
2. SMU	118-25-7	.810
3. UCLA	114-29-5	.787
4. Virginia	120-28-14	.784
5. Furman	112-29-9	.777

✓ **TALENTED COACHES**...While Furman has lots of talent on the field, it also has accumulated a good bit of talent on the sideline with the coaching staff. Head coach Doug Allison is the all-time leading scorer in South Carolina history and is one of the greatest soccer player in USC history. Assistant coach Ryan Higginbotham scored 36 goals in four seasons at Furman and ranks fourth in career goals for the Paladins. Ronnie Pascale, a current A-League goalkeeper has returned to Greenville to join the coaching staff. Pascale is one of Furman's all-time great goalkeepers and volunteer assistant coach Charlie Arndt played at South Carolina with Allison and is arguably the greatest goalkeeper in USC history as he was the 1988 national goalkeeper of the year.

✓ **THE BEST EVER**... Furman forward John Barry Nusum is in his final season as a Paladin and he will go down as Furman's most prolific player ever. Nusum, from Devonshire, Bermuda, is a finalist this season for the Hermann Trophy and the MAC Awards as the top player in NCAA Division I.

Nusum ranks as Furman's all-time leader in career goals and career points. He is two assists shy of the career assists mark. He holds the single season record for points and the single game record for goals and points.

Nusum is one assist shy of becoming only the 25th player in NCAA history to join the 40/40 club with 40 career goals and 40 career assists.

Nusum ranks 12th in the nation in points per game and 13th in the nation in goals per game.

<u>Furman Career Points Leaders</u>				
Player	Year	G	A	P
1. John Barry Nusum	1998-	61	39	161
2. Andrew Burr	1987-90	50	19	119
3. Scott Broderick	1984-87	44	16	104

<u>Furman Career Goals Leaders</u>		
Player	Year	Goals
1. John Barry Nusum	1998-	61
2. Andrew Burr	1987-90	50
3. Scott Broderick	1984-87	44

<u>Furman Career Assists Leaders</u>		
Player	Year	Assists
1. Daniel Alvarez	1996-99	41
2. John Barry Nusum	1998-	39
3. Jeff Jones	1984-87	33

#### Furman Single Season Points Leaders

Player	Year	G	A	P
1. John Barry Nusum	2000	18	12	48
2. Andrew Burr	1989	20	5	45
3. Ryan Higginbotham	1996	19	6	44

#### Furman Single Season Goals Leaders

Player	Year	Goals
1. Andrew Burr	1989	20
2. Ryan Higginbotham	1996	19
2. Andrew Burr	1990	19
4. John Barry Nusum	2000	18

#### Furman Single Season Assists Leaders

Player	Year	Assists
1. Daniel Alvarez	1999	16
2. McNeil Cronin	2000	13
3. John Barry Nusum	2000	12
3. Mike Freno	1996	12

#### **2001 Hermann Trophy Finalists**

Chris Gbandi -- Connecticut  
 Pat Noonan -- Indiana  
 Mohamed Fahim -- SMU  
 Carl Bussey -- SMU  
 Kyle Martino -- Virginia  
 Alecko Eskandarian -- Virginia  
 Ricardo Villar -- Penn State  
 Brad Davis -- Saint Louis  
 Oguchi Onyewu -- Clemson  
 Lee Morrison -- Stanford  
 Gavin Glinton -- Bradley  
**John Barry Nusum -- Furman**  
 Alex Yi -- UCLA  
 Luchi Gonzalez -- SMU  
 Diego Walsh -- SMU

✓ **IRON MAN AWARD**...Furman's Matt Goldsmith may not be rivaling Cal Ripken's games played streak, but he is taking his best shot. Goldsmith, a senior, has started in all 90 matches Furman has played in since he arrived on campus. He is the only Paladin ever to start every single match of his career. Goldsmith also has a chance to become the only player in Furman history to earn All-America status all four years. Goldsmith was a 1998 honorable mention All American, a 1999 second team choice, and a 2000 third team selection.

✓ **WAITING HIS TURN**...The Furman coaching staff knew they had something special in goalkeeper Scott Blount when he arrived at Furman in 1997. Blount filled in for an injured Ronnie Pascale and performed admirably early in his freshman season. When Pascale returned, Blount was forced to wait his turn as the All-South keeper finished his career in strong fashion. For the third straight season, the job belongs solely to Blount and he has performed remarkably over that time. Blount finished the 1999 season with a 0.68 goals against average and the 2000 season with a 0.87 goals against average this season. This year, Blount has a 0.87 goals against average, including a 0.32 average against conference opponents. Blount is serving as a team captain for the second consecutive season.

✓ **FRESHMEN**...Although Furman lost only one starter to graduation last season, members of Furman's talented freshman class have worked their way into the lineup for the Paladins. Clint Dempsey is currently the Paladins' fifth leading scorer and has started every match this season for Furman en route to becoming the Southern Conference Freshman-of-the-Year. Asgeir

Asgeirsson and Ricardo Clark have been fighting injuries all season, but have seen significant time as starters in the Furman midfield. Freshman Luke Barbour has also provided quality minutes at defender or midfielder.

✓ **RUSSIAN CONNECTION...** Though his hometown is listed as Chuluota, Florida, Sergei Raad is a native of St. Petersburg, Russia. Raad was born Sergei Kolomeits and was adopted by the Raad family after coming to Florida with a Russian soccer team. Raad, a sophomore forward, is currently leading the team with ten assists on the season and is 18th in the nation in assists per match.

✓ **STEADY TOP 25...** Furman has been a consistent member of the Soccer America top 25 poll this season. The Paladins have been ranked as high as third in the poll, matching their highest climb ever. The Paladins are currently ranked 17th.

✓ **NATIONAL STATS...** In addition to being ranked first in offense, Furman is also ranked eighth in winning percentage. Senior forward John Barry Nusum currently ranks 15th in the nation in points per match and 17th in goals per match. Sophomore Sergei Raad ranks 18th in the nation in assists per match.

✓ **NATIONAL TEAM...** Furman has six players on its team with some sort of national team experience. John Barry Nusum is a member of the Bermuda national team and he played with Bermuda last spring in World Cup and Olympic qualifying. Matt Goldsmith was a member of the U.S. Under-20 National Team in the spring of 1999. Goldsmith took off Furman's winter and spring terms as a freshman to travel to Nigeria to compete in the FIFA World Youth Championships. Moffat Oduor was a member of the Kenyan Under-20 national team before coming to the United States four years ago. Freshmen Ricardo Clark and John Hanley both were members of the U.S. Under 18 national team and McNeil Cronin played for the U.S. Under 17 national team.

✓ **SOUTHERN CONNECTION...** The Furman men's soccer team is comprised of an array of talent from throughout the Southeast plus several from a bit farther...

*Home States (26 man roster)*

- Georgia: 5
- Florida: 5
- Texas: 5
- Oklahoma: 3
- North Carolina: 2
- Indiana: 1
- Tennessee: 1
- Utah: 1
- Bermuda: 1
- Iceland: 1
- Kenya: 1

✓ **ALL SOCON...** Once again, Furman dominated in the voting of the Southern Conference awards at the end of the season. John Barry Nusum was named Player-of-the-Year and Clint Dempsey was named the Freshman-of-the-Year. Joining Nusum on the all-conference first team was goalkeeper Scott Blount and Matt Goldsmith. Dempsey, Sergei Raad, and Anthony Esquivel were each named to the all-conference second team.

**NCAA TOURNAMENT SUMMARIES**

**November 17, 1991  
Furman 1, Wake Forest 0 (2OT)**

Winston-Salem, N.C. -- Furman sophomore Ray Colado scored his first goal in almost two months as Furman defeated Wake Forest 1-0 in double overtime in the Paladins' first-ever NCAA Tournament match. With the win, the Paladins, ranked 13th nationally knocked off the South Region's number one seed and the seventh ranked team in the country. Colado's goal was scored at the 95:38 mark in the first overtime period. The Deacs outshot Furman 21-10 but could not capitalize on any of those chances. Furman improved its record to 15-4-1 overall.

FU - Ray Colado (unassisted) 95:38

**November 24, 1991  
N.C. State 4, Furman 1**

Raleigh, N.C. -- Furman's run in the NCAA Tournament was halted as the eighth ranked North Carolina State Wolfpack downed Furman 4-1 in the second round of the NCAA Tournament. After holding only a 1-0 halftime lead, the Wolfpack trounced Furman in the second half as they opened a 4-0 lead. The Paladins were able to get on the board at the 88:05 mark as Chris Hass connected on an Andrew Zorovich, Robert Dee double assist. Furman concluded its best season to date, finishing 15-5-1 on the year.

NCSU - Kevin Scott (Riegler) 36:36  
NCSU - Henry Gutierrez (Bader) 69:30  
NCSU - Dario Brose (unassisted) 79:45  
NCSU - Roy Lassiter (Gutierrez) 80:23  
FU - Chris Haas (Zorovich, Dee) 88:00

**November 14, 1993  
South Carolina 1, Furman 0**

Columbia, S.C. -- After 87 minutes of scoreless soccer, South Carolina's Stever Pier found the back of the net to give South Carolina a 1-0 victory in the first round of the NCAA Tournament in front of 2,679 fans at the Graveyard in Columbia. The Paladins ended their season with a 12-6-1 record and saw their three game winning streak over South Carolina come to a halt. Current Furman head coach Doug Allison was an assistant coach on the Gamecock sideline.

USC - Steve Pier (Crawford) 87:42

**November 21, 1999  
Furman 2, North Carolina 1 (2OT)**

Carl Junot's goal at the 108:50 mark in the second overtime vaulted the third ranked Paladins to a 2-1 victory over North Carolina in the first round of the NCAA Men's College Cup at Eugene Stone Soccer Stadium.

The game-winner was set up as John Bradford sent a corner kick to the near post. The ball was low, thus Junot was forced to duck down and headed the ball off the side of his head and off the chest of North Carolina keeper William Woodruff and into the goal.

The first half of the match was dominated by the Tar Heels as North Carolina outshot Furman 9-1, but was unable to score as the Furman

defense led by goalkeeper Scott Blount played remarkably. Furman settled down in the second half and took the 1-0 lead at the 70:12 mark. SoCon player-of-the-year Daniel Alvarez tossed one of his trademark 35-foot throw-ins to Carl Junot, who tapped the ball to John Barry Nusum. Nusum then knocked in his team leading 15th goal of the season.

Furman held the 1-0 lead for seven minutes before the Tar Heels evened the score. The equalizing play started as Joey DiSalva knocked a free kick to Jon Wean, who passed again to Chris Leitch, who rifled the ball to lower corner of the goal. The goal was Leitch's first career goal.

The remainder of regulation and the first overtime period remained scoreless until Junot's game-winner. UNC senior goalkeeper William Woodruff saw his first action of the season as he checked into the match in the 76 minute mark for starter Michael Ueltschey and played in the goal for the remaining of the match.

FU - John Barry Nusum (Junot, Alvarez) 70:12  
UNC - Chris Leitch (Wean, DiSalva) 77:23  
FU - Carl Junot (Bradford) 108:50

**November 28, 1999  
Furman 4, Wake Forest 0**

Winston-Salem, N.C. - The Furman men's soccer team moved one match closer to an appearance at the Men's College Cup at Charlotte's Ericsson Stadium with a convincing 4-0 win over Wake Forest in the second round of the NCAA Tournament at Spry Soccer Stadium on the campus of Wake Forest.

Furman took it to the Deacons from the start as the Paladins won their second straight tournament match over an ACC team. Furman took the 1-0 lead at the 1:50 mark in the first half as the Paladins scored on a set piece as they have done many times this season. Paul Leese scored his first goal of the season as he knocked a loose ball in the box off a corner kick. Carl Junot and Daniel Alvarez each got touches on the ball before Leese put it in the back of the net.

The Paladins wasted little time taking the 2-0 lead as Carl Junot knocked in a rebound of his own shot at the 6:03 mark. Furman kept the 2-0 lead through halftime until Nusum put the match away with his team leading 16th goal of the season. Jack Handy sent a ball down the left sideline where Daniel Alvarez crossed to Nusum for the goal. Furman scored its final goal at the 69:48 mark as freshman John Michael Waite knocked in a rebound off a shot from roommate and high school teammate Clint Hill.

Wake Forest, the tournament's fifth seed, finishes the season 13-3-5.

FU - Paul Leese (Junot, Alvarez) 1:50  
FU - Carl Junot (Nusum) 6:03  
FU - John Barry Nusum (Alvarez, Handy) 52:25  
FU - John Michael Waite (Hill) 69:48

**December 5, 1999  
Connecticut 3, Furman 2**

Furman's NCAA Tournament run was halted as the Paladins saw a 2-1 lead with ten minutes to play evaporate in just over two minutes as fourth-seeded Connecticut rallied to defeat Furman 3-2 in the quarterfinals of the NCAA Division I Men's Soccer Tournament.

Furman jumped off to a 1-0 lead with a John Bradford goal at the 32:06 mark in the first half.

Bradford collected a loose ball in the box a connected on his second goal of the season to the far side of the goal. The Huskies rallied to tie the score nine minutes later with a Brent Rahim goal off a double assist from Rui Fernandez and Darin Lewis. The score remained tied through halftime.

Furman gained the 2-1 lead at the 59:19 mark as John Barry Nusum collected a loose ball, dribbled to the top of the box and rifled a shot to the lower corner of the goal. Furman held the 2-1 lead through the next 21 minutes.

UConn tied the score at the 80:14 mark as Darin Lewis scored off a Donny Mark, Michael Mordocco double assist. Two minutes later, Connecticut scored the game-winner on a controversial header off a corner kick. Brent Rahim took the corner kick, which crossed the far post where Max Zeiky headed it in. While the ball was in the air, a UConn attacking player appeared to touch the ball with his hands, prompting many of the Furman defenders to look for the "hand ball" call. Neither the linesman or the head official saw the apparent hand ball and Furman was unable to mount a late comeback. It marked only the third time all season that Furman trailed in a match. Over the entire year, the Paladins trailed in only 45 minutes.

**Scoring:**

FU - John Bradford (unassisted) 32:06  
 UC - Brent Rahim (Fernandez, Lewis) 41:23  
 FU - John Barry Nusum (unassisted) 59:19  
 UC - Darin Lewis (Mark, Mordocco) 80:14  
 UC - Max Zieky (Rahim) 82:29

**November 19, 2000  
 Clemson 3, Furman 2**

The 11th ranked Furman men's soccer team fell 3-2 to the 4th ranked Clemson Tigers in an NCAA Tournament First Round match marked by freezing temperatures and snow flurries that covered the field for the entire first half.

The flow of play was slowed down considerably due to the inclement weather as ice sticking to the ball became a factor and the players soon found the ball skidding along instead of bouncing.

Clemson had the first opportunity to open the scoring as an apparent offside midfielder Mark Lisi broke free past the Furman defense and touched the ball past goalkeeper Scott Blount. Lisi had the open Paladin goal ahead of him but his shot sailed wide of the target.

Furman finally broke the scoreless tie at the 22:44 mark on a goal by junior midfielder Matt Goldsmith. Patrick Tanner drew a foul just outside the Clemson penalty box and Furman set up for an indirect free kick. McNeil Cronin fired a shot into the Clemson wall on the set play but the Tigers could not clear it. Goldsmith collected the ball 20 yards out and chipped a shot over Clemson goalkeeper Doug Warren that hit the crossbar but bounced into the net to give the Paladins a 1-0 lead.

The snow subsided as the second half began and Clemson quickly began an offensive attack. After spending most of the first 11 minutes of the half on Furman's defensive end of the field, the Tigers found the equalizing goal. On a direct kick from almost exactly where Goldsmith scored, Mark Lisi knocked the free kick past Blount to tie the score.

The Tigers took their first lead of the match just seven and a half minutes later when Ian Fuller found Steven Rhyne with a ball around the Furman defense. Rhyne slotted a shot past Blount to give Clemson a 2-1 lead.

Furman tied the score less than two minutes later when the Paladins set up a familiar play. McNeil Cronin sent a corner kick into the middle of the penalty box and Patrick Tanner headed it over the goal line to tie the score 2-2. For Cronin, it was his team-leading 15th assist on the season and the seventh time he had connected with Tanner for a goal.

Clemson prevented the impending overtime period with less than four minutes to go in the match. Pablo Webster made a long throw-in into the penalty box that was flicked on goal by Oguchi Onyewu and finally knocked in by Eric Lewis. The goal gave the Tigers the 3-2 win and ended Furman's chances of matching or improving on last season's remarkable NCAA Tournament run.

FU - Goldsmith (Cronin ) 22:44  
 CU - Lisi (unassisted) 56:12  
 CU - Rhyne (Fuller, Lewis assist) 63:44  
 FU - Tanner (Cronin assist) 65:38  
 CU - Lewis (Onyewu, Webster assists) 86:21

**NCAA Tournament Record: 3-4**

Home: 1-0  
 Road: 2-4  
 vs. Wake Forest: 2-0  
 vs. N.C. State: 0-1  
 vs. South Carolina: 0-1  
 vs. North Carolina: 1-0  
 vs. Connecticut 0-1  
 vs. Clemson 0-1  
 vs. ACC: 3-2  
 vs. Big East: 0-1  
 vs. Independents: 0-1  
 In Overtime: 2-0  
 Goals Scored: 12  
 Goals Allowed: 12

**Scoring Leaders:**

Player	Year	G	A	P
John Barry Nusum	'99	3	1	7
Carl Junot	'99	2	2	6
Daniel Alvarez	'99	0	3	3
John Bradford	'99	1	1	3
Matt Goldsmith	'00	1	0	2
Patrick Tanner	'00	1	0	2
McNeil Cronin	'00	0	2	2
Paul Lesse	'99	1	0	2
John Michael Waite	'99	1	0	2
Ray Colado	'91	1	0	2
Chris Haas	'91	1	0	2
Clint Hill	'99	0	1	1
Jack Handy	'99	0	1	1
Robert Dee	'91	0	1	1
Andrew Zorovich	'91	0	1	1

# FURMAN UNIVERSITY PALADINS MEN'S SOCCER

## 2001 ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	High School
00	John Hanley	GK	6-0	170	Fr.	Indianapolis, IN	North Central
0	Alex Maslow	GK	6-0	178	Fr.	Charlotte, NC	Charlotte Catholic
1	Scott Blount	GK	6-1	191	Sr.	Brentwood, TN	Montgomery Bell
2	Clint Dempsey	MF	6-1	170	Fr.	Nacogdoches, TX	Nacogdoches
3	Anthony Esquivel	F/M	5-11	181	Jr.	San Antonio, TX	Tom Clark
4	Jack Handy	M/D	5-7	147	Sr.	Lilburn, GA	Parkview
5	Andy Kidd	D	5-9	160	Jr.	Jacksonville, FL	Episcopal
6	Moffat Oduor	D	6-1	190	Sr.	Eldoret, Kenya	Uasin Gishu
7	Kenneth Penn	D	5-10	145	So.	Dallas, TX	Lake Highlands
8	John Barry Nusum	F	6-1	204	Sr.	Devonshire, Ber.	Berkeley Inst.
9	Asgeir Asgeirsson	MF	5-9	165	Fr.	Hafnarfjorder, Ice.	Flensburg
10	Ricardo Clark	MF	5-10	140	Fr.	Jonesboro, GA	St. Pius
11	McNeil Cronin	D	6-1	175	So.	Winston-Salem, NC	Mt. Tabor
12	Patrick Tanner	M/F	6-1	170	So.	Norman, OK	Norman
13	Matt Goldsmith	MF	5-11	168	Sr.	Roswell, GA	Roswell
14	Luke Barbour	D	6-2	180	Fr.	Mesquite, TX	Poteet
15	Shaun Stone	MF	5-10	155	Jr.	Sandy, UT	Brighton
16	Clint Hill	MF	6-1	180	Jr.	Tulsa, OK	E. Central Senior
17	Wes Windsor	MF	5-7	140	Fr.	Margate, FL	St. Thomas Aquinas
18	Vaughn Bethell	MF	5-9	160	Sr.	Lakeland, FL	Lakeland
19	Jon Rydarowski	D	5-7	145	Fr.	Marietta, GA	Pope
20	Scott Hoch	F	6-0	170	So.	Lakeland, FL	George Jenkins
21	Sergei Raad	F	5-9	160	So.	Chuluota, FL	Oviedo
22	Ted Figard	MF	5-11	165	Sr.	Bartlesville, OK	Bartlesville
23	Andy Chase	F	6-0	175	Jr.	Marietta, GA	George Walton
24	Matt Foxhall	MF	5-11	167	Jr.	San Antonio, TX	Tom Clark

Head Coach — Doug Allison (7th Year)

Assistant Coach - Ryan Higginbotham (4rd Year)

Assistant Coach - Ronnie Pascale (2nd Year)

Assistant Coach - Charlie Arndt

Trainer - Eric Williams

Sports Information Directors - Chris Colvin, Rob Warren

Athletic Director: Gary Clark

# Furman In The 2001 National Soccer Polls

## Soccer America Top 20 November 19

1. SMU
2. St. Louis
3. Stanford
4. Clemson
5. Virginia
6. St. John's
7. Indiana
8. Connecticut
9. North Carolina
10. Wake Forest
11. Penn State
12. South Carolina
13. Rutgers
14. Loyola (Md.)
15. Princeton
16. Washington
- 17. Furman**
18. Notre Dame
19. Portland
20. UCLA

## Furman In the Soccer America Poll

- Pre: 5  
 9/3: 5  
 9/10: 4  
 9/24: 4  
 10/1: 3  
 10/8: 13  
 10/15: 15  
 10/22: 15  
 10/29: NR  
 11/5: 20  
 11/12: 18  
 11/19: 17

## NCAA Div. 1 Media November 19

1. SMU
2. Stanford
3. St. Louis
4. Virginia
5. Clemson
6. Indiana
7. St. John's
8. Connecticut
9. Loyola (Md.)
10. North Carolina
11. South Carolina
12. Washington
13. San Diego
14. Princeton
15. Wake Forest
16. Portland
- 17. Furman**
18. Rutgers
19. Santa Clara
20. UCLA

## Furman In the NCAA Division 1 Media Poll

- 9/4: 10  
 9/11: 8  
 9/24: 8  
 10/1: 6  
 10/8: 15  
 10/16: NR  
 10/23: NR  
 10/30: NR  
 11/5: NR  
 11/12: NR  
 11/19: 17

## NSCAA Top 25 November 19

1. SMU
2. Stanford
3. Virginia
4. St. Louis
5. Indiana
6. Clemson
7. St. John's
8. North Carolina
9. UConn
10. Washington
11. Loyola (Md.)
12. Princeton
13. San Diego
14. South Carolina
15. Wake Forest
16. Rutgers
17. Penn State
18. Notre Dame
19. UW-Milwaukee
20. Harvard
21. Portland
22. Cornell
23. UAB
24. James Madison
24. UMass

## Furman In the NSCAA Poll

- Pre: 22  
 9/4: RV  
 9/11: 17  
 9/24: 22  
 10/1: 16  
 10/8: 24  
 10/16: 22  
 10/23: RV  
 10/30: NR  
 11/5: RV  
 11/12: NR  
 11/19: NR

## College Soccer News November 19

1. SMU
2. Stanford
3. Virginia
4. Indiana
5. St. Louis
6. Clemson
7. St. John's
8. Connecticut
9. Loyola (Md.)
10. North Carolina
11. South Carolina
12. Rutgers
13. UW-Milwaukee
14. Washington
- 15. Furman**
16. Notre Dame
17. Wake Forest
18. UAB
19. Penn State
20. San Diego
21. Portland
22. Kentucky
23. UCLA
24. James Madison
25. Fairleigh-Dickinson
26. Rhode Island
27. Massachusetts
28. Towson
29. Harvard
30. Santa Clara

## Furman In the College Soccer News Poll

- Pre: 7  
 9/4: 7  
 9/10: 6  
 9/24: 5  
 10/1: 5  
 10/8: 11  
 10/15: 15  
 10/23: 16  
 10/30: 21  
 11/5: 18  
 11/12: 16  
 11/19: 15

## NSCAA South Region November 12

1. Clemson
2. North Carolina
3. South Carolina
4. Wake Forest
5. UAB
- 6. Furman**
7. South Florida
8. Florida International
9. Mercer
10. Alabama A&M

## Furman In the NSCAA Regional Poll

- 9/5: 5  
 9/10: 3  
 9/24: 5  
 10/1: 4  
 10/8: 6  
 10/15: 6  
 10/22: 6  
 10/29: 6  
 11/5: 5  
 11/12: 6  
 11/19: 6