

2003 FURMAN SOCCER



*Scott Hoch
9 Goals*

Southern Conference Tournament Guide



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Furman Men's Soccer Release
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Mt. Pleasant, S.C. - Patriots Point
North Charleston, S.C. - Blackbaud Stadium



THE GAME

Furman enters the 2003 Southern Conference Men's Soccer Championship as the No. 4 seed. Furman is looking to earn a berth in the NCAA Tournament for the fifth straight year. Furman will face Appalachian State in the first round of the SoCon Tournament on Friday at 4:30 p.m. If the Paladins are victorious, Furman would play the Davidson-Wofford winner at 2:00 on Saturday. The tournament championship will be on Sunday at 1:00 p.m.

HEAD COACH

Furman: Doug Allison (South Carolina '89)
136-41-14 (.749), 9th Year at Furman
136-41-14 (.749), 9th Year Overall

THE SERIES

Furman's series record against teams in the SoCon Tournament are as follows:

Appalachian State	FU leads 22-17-1
College of Charleston	FU leads 11-6-3
Davidson	FU leads 23-16-1
Elon	FU leads 2-0-1
Georgia Southern	FU leads 14-1-1
UNCG	FU leads 9-4-1
Wofford	FU leads 24-3-1

2003 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Furman (5-8-4, 3-2-2 SoCon)

Aug. 29	Maryland 1, Furman 0 (@ Creighton)
Aug. 31	@ Creighton 3, Furman 1
Sept. 5	South Florida 2, @ Furman 1
Sept. 7	St. Louis 1, @ Furman 0
Sept. 13	@ Furman 1, Elon 1
Sept. 19	Furman 0, @ UNCA 0
Sept. 21	@ Furman 2, Lipscomb 0
Sept. 26	Coastal Carolina 2, Furman 0 (@CU)
Sept. 28	Furman 4, Air Force 3 (@ Clemson)
Oct. 3	Furman 1, @ UNCG 1
Oct. 7	@ Furman 4, Wofford 1
Oct. 14	@ Coll. of Charleston 2, Furman 0
Oct. 19	@ Furman 0, South Carolina 0
Oct. 25	Davidson 1, @ Furman 0
Nov. 2	Furman 2, @ Appalachian State 1
Nov. 5	@ Furman 2, Georgia Southern 0
Nov. 9	@ Clemson 3, Furman 2

NOTING THE PALADINS

✓ **A REBUILDING YEAR...**The 2003 season has been a rebuilding year for the Paladins as they have lost eight or more matches for the first time in Doug Allison's nine seasons at the helm of the program. Furman lost nine starters or key reserves off the 2002 squad.

✓ **HISTORICAL SOCON DOMINANCE ...** Furman's dominance of the Southern Conference over the last two decades is remarkable. A few key points:
• Furman has won the five of the last six SoCon

regular season titles, 12 of the last 14, and 17 of the last 21.

• Since 1986, the Paladins have won either the regular season or the tournament every season.
• Furman has posted a 119-10-2 Southern Conference regular season record since 1983.
• Furman extended its NCAA Division I record conference unbeaten streak to 46 matches earlier this season before falling at College of Charleston. Furman's record streak ran from September 23, 1999 to October 14, 2003.

✓ **SOCON TOURNAMENT SUCCESS ...**

Furman has traditionally been very successful in the SoCon Tournament. The Paladins have won the last three SoCon tournament titles, five of the last six, and seven of the last nine. Furman has been to the SoCon championship match every year since 1993. All told, since 1988, Furman boasts a 25-4-2 record in the SoCon Tournament. Furman has never failed to reach the semifinals and have only failed to reach the finals twice - in 1990 and 1992.

✓ **STINGY DEFENSE...**Furman played well defensively this season, as the Paladins average giving up 1.29 goals per match. Furman has recorded four shutouts and have allowed only one goal in seven matches.

✓ **CHALLENGING SCHEDULE...**Furman has played an extremely tough schedule this season as the Paladins have faced seven teams that have been ranked in the Top 25. Furman opened against four straight ranked opponents, including No. 1 Maryland.

✓ **HOCH FINISHES STRONG...**Furman senior Scott Hoch has put up impressive numbers this season with nine goals on the year. Hoch has recorded 27 goals over his Furman career, good enough for ninth all-time in school history. He is also only the 17th player in Furman history to record 60 points in his career. Hoch earned SoCon Player-of-the-Week honors earlier this season and was selected to both the Diadora/Spinx All-Tournament Team and the Clemson/Nike Soccer Invitational.

✓ **NATIONAL TEAM...**Furman's Clint Dempsey is a member of the U.S. Under-20 National Team. Dempsey missed Furman's season opener as he was in Spain with the Under-20 squad. He will depart for the World Youth Championships in the next few weeks. Dempsey is second on the team with five goals on the year and leads Furman with four assists.

✓ **ALLISON AMONG THE NATION'S BEST...**Furman head coach Doug Allison is currently in his ninth season at Furman and has posted a 136-41-14 overall record. Allison's winning percentage of .749 is fifth-best among active Division I head coaches. On September 28,

2003 SOCON STANDINGS

Team	SoCon	Overall
Davidson	6-1	12-5-2
Coll. of Charleston	5-2	11-3-3
UNCG	4-1-2	9-7-2
Furman	3-2-2	5-8-4
Appalachian State	3-4	7-10-1
Georgia Southern	2-4-1	6-10-2
Elon	1-5-1	6-10-1
Wofford	1-6	3-15

2003 SOCON TOURNAMENT

@ Patriots Point, Mt. Pleasant, S.C.

Thursday, November 13

4:30 p.m. #1 Davidson vs. #8 Wofford

7:00 p.m. #2 Coll. of Charleston vs. #7 Elon

Friday, November 14

4:30 p.m. #4 Furman vs. #5 Appalachian St.

7:00 p.m. #3 UNCG vs. #6 Ga. Southern

@ Blackbaud Stadium, N. Charleston, S.C.

Saturday, November 15

3:30 p.m. Semifinal #1

6:00 p.m. Semifinal #2

Sunday, November 16

1:00 p.m. Championship Match

2003 REGULAR SEASON HONORS

Southern Conference Player-of-the-Week
October 14: Scott Hoch

Diadora/Spinx Furman Invitational
All-Tournament Team

Mark Futrell Scott Hoch

Clemson/Nike All Tournament Team
Scott Hoch Clint Dempsey
McNeil Cronin

2001, 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.

Top Winning Percentage
Active Head Coaches

1. Jerry Yeagley, Indiana 538-101-44 .820
2. Ray Reid, Connecticut 253-55-24 .798
3. Schellas Hyndman, SMU 404-105-37 .774
4. Dave Masur, St. John's 256-72-38 .751
5. **Doug Allison, Furman 136-41-14 .749**

✓ **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 298-93-32 for a .742 winning percentage.

✓ **NATIONAL POWER...**Since Allison's arrival at Furman, the Paladins have posted a 136-41-14 record, the fifth best record in the nation over that time span.

Best Winning Percentage Since 1995

1. Indiana 156-32-12 .810
2. UCLA 151-34-8 .803
3. SMU 148-35-11 .791
4. St. John's 142-37-22 .761
5. **Furman 136-41-14 .742**

✓ **FURMAN COACHING RECORD...**Furman head coach Doug Allison has a chance to become Furman's all-time winningest men's soccer coach this weekend. Allison currently trails John Tart by one victory.

John Tart, 1982-94	137-92-21	.602
Doug Allison, 1995-current	136-41-14	.742
Paul Scarpa, 1968-1981	61-106-13	.375

✓ **GOALKEEPER SWAP...** Both Alex Maslow and John Hanley have seen extensive action in front of the net this season. Maslow has started 11 contests, while Hanley has seen six starts. Both boast strong goals against averages as Maslow's goals against average is 1.40 and Hanley's is 0.92.

Alex Maslow

8/29	Maryland	L	0-1
8/31	Creighton	L	1-3
9/5	South Florida	L	1-2
9/21	Lipscomb	W	2-0
9/28	Air Force	W	4-3
10/3	UNCG	T	1-1
10/14	College of Charleston	L	0-2
10/19	South Carolina	T	0-0
10/25	Davidson	L	0-1
11/5	Georgia Southern	W	2-0
11/9	Clemson	L	2-3

John Hanley

9/7	St. Louis	L	0-1
9/13	Elon	T	1-1
9/19	UNCA	T	0-0
9/26	Coastal Carolina	L	0-2
10/7	Wofford	W	4-1
11/2	Appalachian State	W	2-1

✓ **SOUTHERN CONNECTION...**The Furman men's soccer team is comprised of an array of talent from throughout the Southeast and abroad...

Home States (21 man roster)

- Texas: 5
- North Carolina: 3
- Florida: 3
- Wisconsin: 2
- Trinidad and Tobago: 2
- Indiana: 1
- Kansas: 1
- Georgia: 1
- Louisiana: 1
- South Carolina: 1
- Bermuda: 1