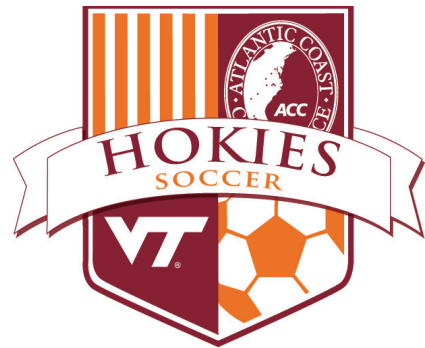


Virginia Tech Men's Soccer



Game Notes



Virginia Tech
(5-5-2, 0-3-1 ACC)

vs.

NC State
(7-6-0, 0-4-0 ACC)



Oct. 12 • 7:00 p.m.

Thompson Field • Blacksburg, Va.

Live Stats: <http://www.hokiesports.com/msoccer/live>

Live video: ACCDN on YouTube

SCOUTING NC STATE

- The Wolfpack are coming off of a 1-0 loss at home to Belmont. Despite outshooting the Bruins, Belmont was able to nab the game's lone goal in the 68th minute.
- After starting off the season with a 6-0 record and climbing to No. 18 in the NSCAA rankings, NC State, has just one win since Sept. 9, a 2-0 victory over Gardner-Webb in Raleigh, N.C., on Sept. 25.
- The Wolfpack have dropped all four of their ACC matches by one goal.
- NC State's offense is led by striker Alex Martinez. The junior leads the ACC in goals (8) and points (21), while being tied for second in assists (5). Monbo Bokar also has double-digit points for the Wolfpack as he is second on the team with five goals.
- Fabian Otte has played 11 games in goal for NC State, recording 31 saves and a 1.29 goals against average.

SERIES HISTORY

- NC State holds a 12-5-1 record all-time against Tech.
- The two sides have squared off five times since 2009, with Tech going 2-3 in those games. The two teams have met the past two seasons in the ACC tournament with the Wolfpack coming out on top.
- Last season's regular-season matchup in Raleigh was a 2-1 result in favor of NC State. The Hokies opened up the scoring in the 30th minute with a goal from James Schupp, but an own goal in the 42nd minute leveled the game for the Wolfpack. Just under seven minutes into the first overtime, Nazami Albadawi linked up Zabarle Kollie and Nader Jaibat to tally the game-winner for the home side.
- The last time that the two sides met at Thompson Field was Sept. 27, 2009 when the Hokies upset No. 16 NC State, 2-0.
- Tech is 3-1 all-time at home against the Wolfpack, winning three straight games since 2005.

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2012 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
<i>Hilton Garden Inn Hokie Invitational</i>		
Aug. 24	SIU-EDWARDSVILLE	L, 3-1
26	RICHMOND	W, 1-0
<i>JMU/Fairfield Inn by Marriott Invitational</i>		
31	Temple	W, 1-0
Sept. 2	St. Bonaventure	W, 4-0
8	at #1 North Carolina*	L, 2-0
14	BOSTON COLLEGE*	T, 1-1 (2OT)
21	at #1 Maryland*	L, 2-0
25	VMI	W, 3-1
28	#16 WAKE FOREST*	L, 4-0
Oct. 2	at Campbell	L, 3-0
5	NJIT	W, 2-1
9	at Longwood	T, 0-0 (2OT)
12	NC STATE*	7 p.m.
16	HOWARD	7 p.m.
19	at Virginia*	6:30 p.m.
23	RADFORD	7 p.m.
27	DUKE*	7 p.m.
Nov. 1	at Clemson*	7 p.m.
<i>ACC Tournament</i>		
5	vs. TBA (First Round)	TBA

Home games in **BOLD AND CAPS** - All games are EST unless otherwise noted.

* Atlantic Coast Conference contest

TALE OF THE TAPE

Virginia Tech	vs.	NC State
12	GAMES	13
13	GOALS	24
7	ASSISTS	19
33	POINTS	67
127	SHOTS	150
.102	SHOT %	.160
1-1	PK-ATT	2-3
17	GOALS ALLOWED	15
1.37	GAA	1.29
56	SAVES	37
.767	SAVE %	.712
4	SHUTOUTS	3
55	CORNERS	65
128	FOULS	154



Virginia Tech Quick Facts

GENERAL

Location.....	Blacksburg, Va.
Enrollment.....	31,000
Founded.....	1872
Colors.....	Chicago maroon and burnt orange
Nickname.....	Hokies
Conference.....	Atlantic Coast
President.....	Charles W. Steger
Director of Athletics.....	Jim Weaver
Home Field.....	Thompson Field
Capacity.....	2,028 (Record: 2,711)
Surface.....	Natural Grass
Press Box Phone.....	(540) 231-8950
Athletics Website.....	www.hokiesports.com
Men's Soccer Website.....	www.hokiesports.com/msoccer
Men's Soccer Twitter.....	www.twitter.com/VT_MSoccer
Athletics Facebook.....	www.facebook.com/hokiesports

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach.....	Mike Brizendine
Alma Mater, Yr.....	James Madison, 1999
Overall Record (Yrs.).....	46-67-6 (7th)
Record at Virginia Tech (Yrs.).....	19-43-6 (4th)
ACC Record (Yrs.).....	4-21-3 (4th)
Assistant Coaches.....	
.....	Patrick McSorley (James Madison, 1996), 4th season
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TEAM HISTORY

First Year of Soccer.....	1972
All-Time Record (Yrs.).....	336-309-64 (41st)
All-time ACC Record (Yrs.).....	16-43-11 (9th)
ACC Tournament Appearances.....	8
ACC Tournament Record.....	1-8-0
NCAA Tournament Appearances.....	4
NCAA Tournament Years.....	(2003, 2005, 2006, 2007)
NCAA Tournament Record.....	3-3-2
NCAA Best Finish.....	Final Four (2007)
Last NCAA Opponent.....	Wake Forest (L, 2-0)

2011 OVERVIEW

2011 Overall Record.....	4-13-2
Home.....	4-3-2
Away.....	0-8-0
Neutral.....	0-0-0
2011 ACC Record.....	1-6-1
Home.....	1-1-1
Away.....	0-4-0
Lettermen Returning/Lost.....	9/6
Starters Returning/Lost.....	7/4
Newcomers.....	10

2012 Hokie Records When

Overall Record.....	5-5-2
Home.....	3-2-1
Away.....	0-3-1
Neutral.....	2-0-0
ACC Record.....	0-3-1
Non-Conference Record.....	5-2-1
Day Games.....	3-0-0
Night Games.....	2-5-2
Leading after first half.....	3-0-0
Trailing after first half.....	0-4-0
Tied after the first half.....	2-1-2
In overtime.....	0-0-2
Virginia Tech has more shots.....	3-0-1
Opponent has more shots.....	2-5-1
Virginia Tech has more saves.....	2-4-1
Opponent has more saves.....	2-1-1
Virginia Tech wins more corners.....	4-1-1
Opponent wins more corners.....	0-3-1
Virginia Tech commits more fouls.....	2-5-1
Opponent commits more fouls.....	3-0-1
Virginia Tech scores first.....	5-0-0
Opponent scores first.....	0-5-1
Games decided by one goal.....	3-0-0
Games decided by 2-3 goals.....	1-4-0
Games decided by 4 or more goals.....	1-1-0
vs. top 25 ranked opponents.....	0-3-0
vs. unranked opponents.....	5-2-2
On Sunday.....	2-0-0
On Monday.....	0-0-0
On Tuesday.....	1-1-1
On Wednesday.....	0-0-0
On Thursday.....	0-0-0
On Friday.....	2-3-1
On Saturday.....	0-1-0
Games in August.....	2-1-0
Games in September.....	2-3-1
Games in October.....	1-1-1
Games in November.....	0-0-0



Hokie Notes

HOKIES IN YOUR HOME

For fans looking to catch a game live, but can't attend, nine Hokie matches will broadcast live either online or on TV throughout the 2012 season.

- Hokies All-Access (<http://www.hokiesports.com/allaccess>)
 - Aug. 26 vs. Richmond, 2:30 p.m.
 - Sept. 14 vs. Boston College, 7:00 p.m.
 - Sept. 28 vs. Wake Forest, 7:00 p.m.
 - Oct 23 vs. Radford, 7:00 p.m.
- ESPN3
 - Sept. 8 at North Carolina, 7:00 p.m.
 - Now. 1 at Clemson, 7:00 p.m.
- ACCDN on YouTube
 - Sept. 21 at Maryland, 7:30 p.m.
 - Oct. 12 vs. NC State, 7:00 p.m.
- RSN
 - Oct. 19 at Virginia, 6:30 p.m.

JUST GIVE THEM THE LEAD

- In all five Hokies wins this season, they've scored first.
- Three of the five games resulted in shutouts.
- The earliest that the Hokies have scored this season is the 14:46 mark when Hunter Jecius connected on a header from a Ben Strong corner kick against NJIT.

HOKIE WALL

- Goalkeeper Kyle Renfro is right where he left off last year. After leading the ACC with 100 saves in 2011, the junior currently leads the conference in saves (54) and saves per game (4.50).
- His nine saves in a 1-1 draw versus Boston College on Sept. 14 tied his career high which was set on Sept. 10, 2011 in a 1-0 double-overtime win over No. 1 North Carolina.
- The nine saves is a game-high amongst ACC keepers this season.
- At No. 1 Maryland on Sept. 21, Renfro was one save shy of his high, recording eight stops against a relentless Terrapin attack.
- His eight career shutouts is two away from cracking the school's top five.

GOAL SCORING FRESHMEN

- Freshmen have accounted for six of the team's 13 goals with Daniel Lauretano and Connor Pompilio recording two a piece.
- Pompilio has taken two shots this season, finding the back of the net on both occasions. His second goal was a game-winner against NJIT.
- Hunter Jecius has two shots on the year, recording his first goal is a Hokie on his second attempt.

OFFENSIVE HOKIES

- Seven Hokies have combined to score the teams 13 goals.
- David Clemens leads the team with five goals which is tied for fourth in the ACC, while his 11 points is tied for seventh-most in the league.
- Freshmen Daniel Lauretano and Connor Pompilio have each tallied a pair of goals with each recording a game-winner.
- Lauretano tallied his first collegiate goal in the season opener against SIU-Edwardsville.
- Jed Prater notched his first goal of the season, and third of his career, after converting a penalty kick in a 1-0 game versus Temple.
- Drew Hartell and Connor Pompilio tallied their first goals of the season and first of their careers on Sept. 2 versus St. Bonaventure as Clemens and Lauretano scored their second goals of the year in the 4-0 victory.
- The last time Tech defeated a team by four goals or more was nearly two years ago in a 7-2 win over Howard on Sept. 14, 2010.
- After coming in as a substitute in the first game, Lauretano recorded his first goal as a Hokie against SIU-Edwardsville. Three starts later, the freshmen tallied his second goal on the year, the game-winner against St. Bonaventure.
- Six games into his final season, midfielder David Fiorello tallied the first goal of his career in dramatic fashion with a 35-yard high-arching shot that looped over the BC keeper Justin Luthy for a game-tying goal in the 83rd minute while playing his team was playing a man down.
- On Sept. 25 against VMI, Clemens had a breakout game, notching his first-career hat trick in a 3-1 win. He is only the third ACC player to record a hat trick this season.
- His seven shots versus VMI and St. Bonaventure tied his career high for a single game. It is the third time in his career that he has recorded seven shots and it the most shots in a game for any ACC player this season.

HOLDING OPPONENTS IN CHECK

- Despite allowing 175 shots through 12 games, Tech's defense has allowed 17 shots to find the back of the net.
- Opponents have tallied 13 or more shots against Tech in eight of the team's 12 matches.
- Against one of the country's most potent attacks, the Hokies held No. 1 Maryland to two goals on Sept. 21. To that point, it marked only the second time that Maryland had been held to less than three goals.

MULTIPLE #1'S

- For the second-straight season, Tech faced multiple top-ranked opponents.
- Last year, the Hokies upset North Carolina 1-0 in double



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overtime before falling to Maryland two weeks later, 2-0. Both matches were played at Thompson Field.

- This season, Tech hit the road for both matches as the squad fell 2-0 to North Carolina and Maryland.
- The two sides are currently 1-2 in the NSCAA rankings.

WHO NEEDS TO PLAY AT FULL STRENGTH

- The Hokies had a gutsy performance in a 1-1 draw against Boston College on Sept. 14. After going down a goal in the 46th minute, Tech was forced to play down a man after a red card was issued to DeVante DuBose. The Hokies fought back to tie the game on an 83rd minute goal by captain David Fiorello.
- After going down a man, Tech equaled its first half shot total of three during the final 40 minutes of regulation before adding another three during the 20 minutes of extra time.
- During the final 60 minutes of play, Boston College took 10 shots, two less than the first 50 minutes.

MINUTE MEN

- David Clemens, David Fiorello, Jed Prater, Drew Ranahan, Kyle Renfro and Ben Strong have each eclipsed the 900-minute mark this season for the Hokies through 11 games.
- Fiorello is the lone Hokie to eclipse 1,000 minutes this season after playing every minute thus far (1,010).
- Prater, Ranahan, Renfro and Strong led Tech in minutes logged a season ago. The four amassed 6,969 minutes in 19 games.

LEARNING ON THE FLY

- Tech has 16 players this season who have been in the program for less than two years. With David Fiorello being the lone senior on the 2012 squad, and only seven upperclassmen in all.
- Eight underclassmen have logged more than 350 minutes this season with Hunter Byrnes, Hunter Jecius, Daniel Lauretano, Drew Ranahan and Ben Strong each totaling more than 600 minutes played.
- Redshirt sophomore Drew Ranahan leads all underclassmen with 978 minutes played while Daniel Lauretano leads all freshmen with 704 minutes.

ACC TEST

- The Hokies finished off a grueling conference test from Sept. 8-28 in which the team took on four of the top teams in the ACC according to the NSCAA rankings.
- Tech opened the ACC season with 2-0 defeat at No. 1 North Carolina on Sept. 8. The Hokies followed that up with a 1-1 double overtime draw against Boston College at Thompson Field on Sept. 14. The Eagles were receiving votes at the time after opening the season ranked No. 14.

- On Sept. 21, the Hokies fell 2-0 to No. 1 Maryland. A week later, Tech was defeated 4-0 at home by No. 16 Wake Forest.

AMONG THE BEST

- The Atlantic Coast Conference has traditionally been one of the nation's top conferences in men's soccer and this year is no different. Currently three schools (North Carolina, Maryland and Wake Forest) are ranked in the NSCAA's top 20, which is the second-most of any conference behind the BIG EAST.
- The league began the season with three teams ranked in the NSCAA's top 25 preseason poll which was second behind the BIG EAST's four.

445:02

- The Hokies kept their opposition from finding the net for a total of 445:02 minutes during the first five games of the season.
- All five goals allowed during this time were surrendered during two stretches that total less than five minutes. The Hokies allowed SIUE to score three goals in span of three minutes and eight seconds in the season opener while North Carolina's Martin Murphy scored twice one minute and 52 seconds.

CAPTAINS

- Senior David Fiorello will finish out his Tech career as a three-time team captain for the Hokies, while junior Jed Prater will join him for his first time in the role.

DON'T I KNOW YOU

- The center back pairing of DeVante DuBose and Drew Ranahan played high school soccer at Bishop O'Dowd High School in Oakland, Calif.
- Redshirt freshmen Hunter Byrnes and Drew Hartell were high school teammates at F.W. Cox High School in Virginia Beach. They also both played club soccer for Beach FC.
- Freshmen Kai Marshall and Shane Rose played for Albemarle High School in Charlottesville, Va., while also playing club soccer for SOCA Lightning.
- Despite going to high schools more than 300 miles apart, freshmen Hunter Jecius and Deven Mason played club soccer together for New Mexico Rush Nike Argonauts '94 which is located in Albuquerque, N.M.
- Freshmen Daniel Lauretano and Carter Brown played club soccer together for Richmond Kickers Academy.



Coaching Staff

HEAD COACH MIKE BRIZENDINE

Record at Tech: 19-43-6 (Fourth Season)

PERSONAL

Born: 4/13/77
 Hometown: McLean, Va.
 Wife: former Lucy Draper

EDUCATION

High School: McLean H.S.
 College: James Madison University, 1999
 Graduate: Virginia Tech, 2005

PLAYING EXPERIENCE

James Madison University, 1996-1999

COLLEGE COACHING EXPERIENCE

- Virginia Tech, Head Coach, 2009-present
- Virginia Tech, Top Assistant, 2004-2008
- Bridgewater College, Head Coach, 2001-2003
- Bridgewater College, Top Assistant, 2000-2001
- Ferrum College, Assistant 1999

COACHING HONORS

- NSCAA's Atlantic Region Assistant Coach of the Year, 2007
- ODAC Coach of the Year, 2003

NCAA TOURNAMENT EXPERIENCE

- 2007, College Cup, Virginia Tech, Top Assistant
- 2006, First Round, Virginia Tech, Top Assistant
- 2005, Second Round, Virginia Tech, Top Assistant

COACHING FIRSTS AT TECH

- Win: Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 2-1 (Sept. 6, 2009)
- ACC Win: Clemson, 4-2 (Sept. 20, 2009)
- Win Over Ranked Opponent: No. 16 N.C. State, 2-0 (Sept. 27, 2009)
- Win Over No. 1 Ranked Opponent: North Carolina, 1-0 2OT (Sept. 10, 2011)

Mike Brizendine enters his fourth year as Virginia Tech's head coach after spending five years as the Hokies' top assistant.

Brizendine's 2011 squad played five top-25 nationally ranked opponents, including a 1-0 double-overtime win over 2011 NCAA champion North Carolina. The victory was the program's first over a No. 1 ranked opponent since 2004. Academically, his teams in 2009-10 and 2010-11 earned the NSCAA Team Academic Award, which honors teams with a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or higher. Tech was one of three men's soccer programs in the Atlantic Coast Conference to earn the honor in both years.



An experienced coach on all levels, Brizendine helped guide the Hokies to their first NCAA College Cup appearance in school history in 2007. He has worked with all aspects of the Hokie program. For his contributions, Brizendine was recognized as the NSCAA's Atlantic Region Assistant Coach of the Year in 2007.

Brizendine joined the Hokie staff after a successful stint with Bridgewater (Va.) College, a Division III program that participates in the Old Dominion Athletic Conference (ODAC). After assisting both the men's and women's programs at Bridgewater in 2000, he became the head men's coach from 2001 to 2003, guiding the team from non-competitive status to a full-fledged Division III program. Brizendine led Bridgewater to its two best single-season records, 12-6 in 2003 and 11-7 in 2002, for a 23-13 mark over two seasons and a .639 winning percentage. For this significant turn-around, his peers named him ODAC Coach of the Year in 2003.

Prior to his time at Bridgewater College, he was an assistant coach at Ferrum College for the men's soccer team in 1999. He has also been active guiding and encouraging kids in youth soccer programs throughout his coaching career.

Brizendine graduated from James Madison University in 1999 and earned his Master of Education from Virginia Tech in 2005.

As a player, he lettered four seasons at James Madison University from 1995-98 and ended his career sixth in all-time scoring for the Dukes. He earned All-Conference and All-Region recognition during his four-year career. He also played professionally with the Roanoke Wrath (1999) and the Northern Virginia Royals (2000 and 2001) of the Division 3 league.

Brizendine, his wife Lucy, and daughter Sloane reside in Blacksburg, Va.

Assistant Coaches



Jeff Kinney



Patrick McSorley



Chris Rich



2012 Numerical Roster

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Cl.	Hometown	High School	Soccer Club
0	Hunter Maricle	GK	6-5	207	r-Fr.	Clearwater, Fla.	Countryside	Clearwater Chargers Academy
1	Kyle Renfro	GK	6-1	185	Jr.	Forest, Va.	Brookville	Roanoke Star
4	Carter Brown	D	5-10	163	Fr.	Midlothian, Va.	Clover Hill	Richmond Kickers Academy
3	Drew Ranahan	D	6-4	209	r-So.	Oakland, Calif.	Bishop O'Dowd	Bay Oaks
5	Ben Strong	MF	5-8	157	So.	Mendham, N.J.	West Morris Mendham	FC Copa Forza
6	Kai Marshall	F	6-2	183	Fr.	Charlottesville, Va.	Albemarle	SOCA Lightning
7	David Fiorello	MF	6-1	177	Sr.	Elverson, Pa.	Twin Valley	Spirit United Premier
8	Hunter Byrnes	D	5-11	146	r-Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	F.W. Cox	Beach FC
9	Jed Prater	MF	6-0	162	Jr.	Somersby, Australia	Narabeen Sports	Manly UTD FC
10	Drew Hartell	F	6-1	175	r-Fr.	Virginia Beach, Va.	F.W. Cox	Beach FC
11	David Clemens	F	6-1	170	Jr.	Ballston Lake, N.Y.	Shenendehowa	Blackwatch
15	Mike Wilkie	MF	5-11	160	So.	Harrison City, Pa.	Penn-Trafford	Allegheny Force FC
16	Deven Mason	D/MF	5-10	157	Fr.	Albuquerque, N.M.	Eldorado	New Mexico Rush Nike Argonauts '94
17	Wes Saupe	MF	5-11	169	Fr.	Midlothian, Va.	Cosby	FC Richmond Magic
18	Will Witherspoon	F	6-1	178	So.	Ankeny, Iowa	Ankeny	Sporting Kansas City
19	Hunter Jecius	D	6-3	179	Fr.	Hobbs, N.M.	Hobbs	New Mexico Rush Nike Argonauts '94
20	Shane Rose	D	6-1	160	Fr.	Charlottesville, Va.	Albemarle	SOCA Lightning
21	DeVante DuBose	D	5-10	159	Jr.	Oakland, Calif.	Bishop O'Dowd	Mustang Soccer Academy
22	Connor Pompilio	F	6-0	160	Fr.	Ashburn, Va.	Briar Woods	Regional FC 93
23	Austin Stewart	D/MF	5-10	154	r-Jr.	Frisco, Texas	Centennial	Dallas Texans
24	Connor Swartz	D/MF	5-7	145	Fr.	Cameron Park, Calif.	Ponderosa	California Development Academy
27	Joshua Penn	GK	6-1	152	Fr.	Fairfax, Va.	James W. Robinson	Regional FC 93
28	Nick Smirniotopoulos	MF	5-8	144	Jr.	Falls Church, Va.	George Mason	McLean Academy
29	Cameron Owens	F	5-8	158	So.	Summerfield, N.C.	Northwest Guilford	North Carolina Fusion Academy
30	Daniel Lauretano	F	5-7	144	Fr.	Chester, Va.	Thomas Dale	Richmond Kickers Academy

Head Coach: Mike Brizendine (James Madison, 1999), 4th season

Assistant Coaches: Patrick McSorley (James Madison, 1996), 4th season

Jeff Kinney (American, 2003), 3rd season

Chris Rich (Barry 2007), 1st season

Pronunciation guide

Mike Brizendine	BRIZ-in-dine (rhymes with line)
Hunter Byrnes	Burns
DeVante DuBose	DOO-bose
David Fiorello	FEE-o-RELL-o
Hunter Jecius	JESSE-us
Daniel Lauretano	LOR-e-ta-no
Hunter Maricle	Miracle
Connor Pompilio	POM-pill-ee-oh
Jed Prater	PREY-ter
Nick Smirniotopoulos	smear-nee-oh-TOP-you-luss

Roster Breakdown (By Class)

Seniors (1) - Fiorello

Juniors (6) - Clemens, DuBose, Prater, Renfro, Stewart, Smirniotopoulos

Sophomores (5) - Owens, Ranahan, Strong, Wilkie, Witherspoon

Freshmen (13) - Brown, Byrnes, Hartell, Jecius, Mason, Maricle, Marshall, Lauretano, Penn, Pompilio, Rose, Saupe, Swartz

Roster Breakdown (By State)

California (3) - DuBose, Ranahan, Swartz

Florida (1) - Maricle

Iowa (1) - Witherspoon

New Mexico (2) - Jecius, Mason

New Jersey (1) - Strong

New York (1) - Clemens

North Carolina (1) - Owens

Virginia (11) - Brown, Byrnes, Hartell, Lauretano, Marshall, Penn, Pompilio, Renfro, Rose, Saupe, Smirniotopoulos

Pennsylvania (2) - Fiorello, Wilkie

Texas (1) - Stewart

Australia (1) - Prater



Player Statistics

#0 Hunter Maricle • GK
6-5 • 207 • Rs-Fr.
Clearwater, Fla. • Countryside

2012 - Made first appearance of the season versus St. Bonaventure as a sub with just under 14 remaining in the game.

	GP-GS	Saves	GAA	W	L	T	Sho
2011		--DNP-Redshirt--					
2011	1-0	1	0.00	0	0	0	0
Total	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0

#1 Kyle Renfro • GK
6-1 • 185 • Jr.
Forest, Va. • Brookville

2012 - Started every game, recording shutouts against Richmond, Temple and Longwood...Tied his career high with nine saves against Boston College...Recorded eight saves at No. 1 Maryland...Registered six saves four times versus SIUE, Richmond, Temple and Campbell.

Renfro's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Saves	GAA	W	L	T	Sho
2010	7-7	19	.97	3	3	1	1
2011	19-19	100	1.25	4	13	2	4
2012	12-12	54	1.38	5	5	2	3
Total	38-38	173	1.25	12	21	5	8

#3 Drew Ranahan • D
6-4 • 209 • Rs-So.
Oakland, Calif. • Bishop O'Dowd

2012 - Started every game at center back...Helped the team earn shutouts against Richmond, Temple, St. Bonaventure and Longwood.

Ranahan's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2010		--DNP-Redshirt--			
2011	18-18	8	1	1	3
2012	12-12	8	0	0	0
Total	29-29	15	1	1	3

#5 Ben Strong • MF
5-8 • 157 • So.
Mendham, N.J. • West Morris Mendham

2012 - Started every game...Leads the team in assists with three...Recorded the assist on the game-winning goal versus Richmond...Registered an assist against St. Bonaventure...Tallied an assist on the game's opening goal versus NJIT.

Strong's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2011	19-19	29	2	2	6
2012	12-12	26	0	3	3
Total	27-27	55	2	5	9

#6 Kai Marshall • F
6-2 • 183 • Fr.
Charlottesville, Va. • Albemarle

2012 - Made first appearance of the season as a sub versus NJIT.

Marshall's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	2-0	1	0	0	0
Total	2-0	1	0	0	0

#7 David Fiorello • MF
6-1 • 177 • Sr.
Elverson, Pa. • Twin Valley

2012 - Started every game in the central midfield, while playing every minute...Scored his first career goal when he tied the game against Boston College...Recorded an assist in the season-opener versus SIUE...Third-straight season serving as one of the team's captains.

Fiorello's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2009	18-17	8	0	1	1
2010	18-18	7	0	1	1
2011	18-12	4	0	1	1
2012	12-12	10	1	1	3
Total	63-56	29	1	4	6

#8 Hunter Byrnes • D
5-11 • 146 • Rs-Fr.
Virginia Beach, Va. • F.W. Cox

2012 - Has played in 10 games, starting seven games...Made first career start at No. 1 North Carolina...Made first career appearance as a sub in the season opener versus SIUE.

Byrnes' Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2011		--DNP-Redshirt--			
2012	10-7	2	0	0	0
Total	10-7	2	0	0	0

#9 Jed Prater • MF
6-0 • 162 • Jr.
Somersby, Australia • Narabeen Sports

2012 - Started every game in midfield...Converted on a penalty kick against Temple which turned out to be the game winning goal...One of two captains for the season.

Prater's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2010	18-11	11	1	0	2
2011	19-18	18	1	1	3
2012	12-12	14	1	0	2
Total	48-40	39	3	1	7



Player Statistics

#10 Drew Hartell • F
6-1 • 175 • Rs-Fr.
Virginia Beach, Va. • F.W. Cox

2012 - Has made five starts after making first appearance of the season as a substitute in the opener versus SIUE.

Hartell's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2011					
2012	8-5	3	1	0	2
Total	8-5	3	1	0	2

#11 David Clemens • F
6-1 • 170 • Jr.

Ballston Lake, N.Y. • Shenendehowa

2012 - Started every game...Leads the team in goals (5), points (10) and shots (24)...Recorded his first-career hat trick against VMI... Scored the game-winning goal against Richmond...Tallied a goal against St. Bonaventure.

Clemens' Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2010	18-5	27	4	1	9
2011	10-10	18	2	0	4
2012	12-12	27	5	0	10
Total	40-27	73	11	1	23

#15 Mike Wilkie • MF
5-11 • 160 • So.

Harrison City, Pa. • Penn-Trafford

2012 - Has made eight appearances as a sub...Saw first action against Temple...Tallied an assist against St. Bonaventure.

Wilkie's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2011	18-6	7	0	0	0
2012	8-0	2	0	1	1
Total	24-6	9	0	1	1

#16 Deven Mason • D/MF
5-10 • 157 • Fr.

Albuquerque, N.M. • Eldorado

2012 - Has played in seven games, making two starts...Started in the season opener versus SIUE.

Mason's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	7-2	0	0	0	0
Total	7-2	0	0	0	0

#17 Wes Saupe • MF
5-11 • 169 • Fr.
Midlothian, Va. • Cosby

Saupe's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	0-0	0	0	0	0

#18 Will Witherspoon • F
6-1 • 178 • So.
Ankeny, Iowa • Ankeny

Witherspoon's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2011	18-3	10	0	0	0
2012	0-0	0	0	0	0
Total	18-3	10	0	0	0

#19 Hunter Jecius • D
6-3 • 179 • Fr.
Hobbs, N.M. • Hobbs

2012 - Has played in 10 games, making seven starts...Scored the first goal of his career on a header in against NJIT.

Jecius' Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	10-7	4	1	0	0
Total	10-7	4	1	0	0

#20 Shane Rose • D
6-1 • 160 • Fr.
Charlottesville, Va. • Albemarle

2012 - Played in three games, making to starts at left back...Made first career appearance against Richmond.

Rose's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	3-2	0	0	0	0
Total	3-2	0	0	0	0



Player Statistics

#21 DeVante DuBose • D
5-10 • 159 • Jr.
Oakland, Calif. • Bishop O'Dowd

2012 - Started eight games at center back...Helped the team earn shutouts against Richmond, Temple and St. Bonaventure.

DuBose's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2010	12-4	1	0	0	0
2011	15-15	1	0	0	0
2012	8-8	0	0	0	0
Total	35-27	2	0	0	0

#22 Connor Pompilio • F
6-0 • 160 • Fr.
Ashburn, Va. • Briar Woods

2012 - Has seen action in 11 games, making four starts...Made his first career start against No. 16 Wake Forest...Scored his first career goal versus St. Bonaventure...Tallied an assist against VMI...Saw first action of the year in the season opener against SIUE.

Pompilio's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	11-4	2	2	1	5
Total	11-4	2	2	1	5

#23 Austin Stewart • D/MF
5-10 • 154 • Rs-Jr.
Frisco, Texas • Centennial

2012 - Has played in every game, while making seven starts.

Stewart's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2009	--DNP-Redshirt--				
2010	11-3	5	0	0	0
2011	7-0	0	0	0	0
2012	12-7	5	0	0	0
Total	30-10	10	0	0	0

#24 Connor Swartz • D/MF
5-7 • 145 • Fr.
Cameron Park, Calif. • Ponderosa

2012 - Started season opener against SIUE.

Swartz's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	1-1	0	0	0	0
Total	1-1	0	0	0	0

#27 Joshua Penn • GK
6-1 • 152 • Fr.
Fairfax, Va. • James W. Robinson

	GP-GS	Saves	GAA	W	L	T	Sho
2012	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	0-0	0	0	0	0	0	0

#28 Nick Smirniotopoulos • MF
5-8 • 144 • Jr.
Falls Church, Va. • George Mason

2012 - Saw action in the season opener versus SIUE.

Smirniotopoulos' Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2010	1-0	0	0	0	0
2011	7-3	3	0	0	0
2012	1-0	0	0	0	0
Total	9-3	3	0	0	0

#29 Cameron Owens • MF
5-8 • 158 • So.
Summerfield, N.C. • Northwest Guilford

2012 - Has played in 11 games, making seven starts...Earned first career start in the season opener against SIUE.

Owens' Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	11-7	6	0	0	0
Total	11-7	6	0	0	0

#30 Daniel Lauretano • F
5-7 • 144 • Fr.
Chester, Va. • Thomas Dale

2012 - Played in every game, while making 10 starts... Tallied first career goal in the season opener versus SIUE...Scored game-winning goal against St. Bonaventure...Made first career start versus Richmond.

Lauretano's Career Statistics

	GP-GS	Shots	Goals	Assists	Points
2012	12-11	16	2	0	4
Total	12-11	16	2	0	4



The Automated ScoreBook
Virginia Tech Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 11, 2012)
All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	5-5-2	3-2-1	0-3-1	2-0
CONFERENCE	0-3-1	0-1-1	0-2	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	5-2-1	3-1	0-1-1	2-0

Date	Opponent	Score	Att.	#	Player	gp	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	gw	pk-att
Aug 24	SIUE	L 1-3	1672	11	David Clemens	12	5	1	11	27	.185	13	.481	2	0-0
Aug 26	RICHMOND	W 1-0	1055	22	Connor Pompilio	11	2	1	5	2	1.000	2	1.000	1	0-0
Aug 31	vs Temple	W 1-0	716	30	Daniel Lauretano	12	2	0	4	16	.125	4	.250	1	0-0
Sep 2	vs St. Bonaventure	W 4-0	258	7	David Fiorello	12	1	1	3	10	.100	5	.500	0	0-0
* Sep 8	at #1 North Carolina	L 0-2	775	5	Ben Strong	12	0	3	3	26	.000	14	.538	0	0-0
* Sep 14	BOSTON COLLEGE	To2 1-1	846	9	Jed Prater	12	1	0	2	14	.071	7	.500	1	1-1
* Sep 21	at #1 Maryland	L 0-2	4043	10	Hunter Jecius	10	1	0	2	4	.250	3	.750	0	0-0
Sep 25	VMI	W 3-1	201	19	Drew Hartell	8	1	0	2	3	.333	1	.333	0	0-0
* Sep 28	#16 WAKE FOREST	L 0-4	864	15	Mike Wilkie	8	0	1	1	2	.000	1	.500	0	0-0
Oct 02	at Campbell	L 0-3	243	3	Drew Ranahan	12	0	0	0	8	.000	4	.500	0	0-0
Oct 05	NJIT	W 2-1	852	29	Cameron Owens	11	0	0	0	6	.000	2	.333	0	0-0
Oct 09	at Longwood	To2 0-0	525	23	Austin Stewart	12	0	0	0	5	.000	1	.200	0	0-0
				8	Hunter Byrnes	10	0	0	0	2	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				16	Deven Mason	7	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				6	Kai Marshall	2	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				28	Nick Smirniotopoulos	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				24	Connor Swartz	1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				21	Devante Dubose	8	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
				20	Shane Rose	3	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
					Total	12	13	7	33	127	.102	57	.449	5	1-1
					Opponents	12	17	16	50	175	.097	73	.417	5	1-1

TEAM STATISTICS	VT	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS		
Goals-Shot attempts	13-127	17-175
Goals scored per game	1.08	1.42
Shot pct.	.102	.097
Shots on goal-Attempts	57-127	73-175
SOG pct.	.449	.417
Shots/Game	10.6	14.6
CORNER KICKS	55	54
PENALTY KICKS	1-1	1-1
PENALTIES		
Yellow cards	18	13
Red cards	1	1
ATTENDANCE		
Total	5490	5586
Dates/Avg Per Date	6/915	4/1396
Neutral Site #/Avg	2/487	

#	Goalie	GP	Min.	GA	GAAvg	Saves	Pct	W-L-T	SI
0	Hunter Maricle	1	13:10	0	0.00	1	1.000	0-0-0	0
1	Kyle Renfro	12	1106:50	17	1.38	54	.761	5-5-2	3
	Total	12	1120:00	17	1.37	56	.767	5-5-2	
	Opponents	12	1120:00	13	1.04	44	.772	5-5-2	

Goals by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Virginia Tech	4	9	0	0	13
Opponents	9	8	0	0	17

Shots by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Virginia Tech	53	67	3	4	127
Opponents	97	73	3	2	175

Saves by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Virginia Tech	31	23	1	1	56
Opponents	22	21	0	1	44

Corners by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Virginia Tech	26	29	0	0	55
Opponents	29	24	0	1	54

Fouls by Period	1st	2nd	OT	OT2	Total
Virginia Tech	66	58	1	3	128
Opponents	40	59	2	1	102



Around the ACC

Upcoming Games in the ACC...

Friday, October 12

Maryland at Duke 7:00 p.m.
 NC State at Virginia Tech 7:00 p.m.
 Wake Forest at Virginia 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, October 13

Clemson at Boston College 7:00 p.m.
 North Carolina at College of Charleston 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, October 16

Brown at Boston College 4:00 p.m.
 Gardner-Webb at Clemson 7:00 p.m.
 Howard at Virginia Tech 7:00 p.m.
 Presbyterian at Duke 7:00 p.m.
 Wright State at Virginia 7:00 p.m.
 Colgate at Maryland 7:30 p.m.

Friday, October 19

North Carolina at Maryland 6:00 p.m.
 San Diego State at Clemson 6:00 p.m.
 Virginia Tech at Virginia 6:30 p.m.
 Boston College at Duke 7:00 p.m.
 NC State at Wake Forest 7:00 p.m.



ACC Standings

(As of October 11)

School	Conference				Overall		
	W	L	T	Pts.	W	L	T
#2 North Carolina	4	0	1	13	10	1	1
#1 Maryland	4	0	0	12	10	0	1
Boston College	2	1	1	7	7	3	2
Duke	2	2	1	7	4	5	1
Clemson	2	2	1	7	4	7	2
#18 Wake Forest	1	1	3	6	7	2	4
Virginia	1	3	0	3	6	5	1
Virginia Tech	0	3	1	1	5	5	2
NC State	0	4	0	0	7	6	0

Recent ACC Results

Saturday, October 6 Boston College 1, Wake Forest 0

Tuesday, October 9 Belmont 1, NC State 0
 Furman 3, Clemson 2 (OT)
 North Carolina 1, Davidson 0
 Virginia 2, High Point 1
 Virginia Tech 0, Longwood 0 (2OT)
 Wake Forest 2, ETSU (2OT)
 Maryland 2, Rutgers 1

Wednesday, October 10 Boston College 1, Dartmouth 0 (OT)

ACC Individual Leaders...

As of October 11

Goals: Alex Martinez (NC State), 8
Game-winning goals: Patrick Mullins (Maryland), 4
Assists: Patrick Mullins (Maryland), 6
Shots: Alex Martinez (NC State), 35
Shots per game: Kyle Bekker (Boston College) and Patrick Mullins (Maryland), 3.09
Points: Alex Martinez (NC State), 21
Points per game: Patrick Mullins (Maryland), 1.82
Saves: Kyle Renfro (Virginia Tech), 54
Saves per game: Kyle Renfro (Virginia Tech), 4.50
Save percentage: Scott Goodwin (North Carolina), 0.889
Goals against average: Scott Goodwin (North Carolina), 0.24
Shutouts: Scott Goodwin (North Carolina), 9

ACC Team Leaders...

As of October 11

Goals: Maryland, 33
Goals per game: Maryland, 3.00
Assists: Maryland, 30
Assists per game: Maryland, 2.73
Shots: Wake Forest, 211
Shots per game: Wake Forest, 16.23
Points: Maryland, 96
Saves: Virginia Tech, 56
Goals allowed: North Carolina, 3
Goals against average: North Carolina, 0.24
Shutouts: North Carolina, 9
Corners: Wake Forest, 83
Fouls: Duke, 159



Game-by-Game Recap

Game #1 vs. SIU-Edwardsville | Aug. 24 | L, 3-1

BLACKSBURG – In the nightcap of the first day of the Hilton Garden Inn Hokie Invitational, the Virginia Tech men's soccer dropped a tough 3-1 result to SIU-Edwardsville.

The Cougars came out early and often, putting pressure on Hokies backline. After four SIUE efforts to test the defense, Kyle Renfro was forced to come up with sliding save to stop SIUE's Christian Volesky as a got free on the left side.

Just under 15 minutes later, the Cougars took a 1-0 lead as Kevin Stoll took a run up through the middle of the Hokie defense and fired a low shot just inside the left post.

Under two minutes later, SIUE struck again as Jared Tejada found space on the right side chipped a ball to the far post over a surging Renfro.

Christian Volesky pushed the SIUE advantage to 3-0 just over a minute later as slipped past the leftside of the Hokie defense went far post past Renfro.

With 31 minutes to go, Renfro was called upon again as he thwarted another Cougar 1-on-1 opportunity. 10 minutes later, Daniel Lauretano netted his first goal as a Hokie in the 69th minute. Captain David Fiorello sent a long ball from midfield to the top of the box, which the freshman ran onto and slid to left side past a diving Cougar keeper.

Scoring Summary:

32:09 SIUE Kevin Stoll
 34:03 SIUE Jared Tejada (Ryan Bauer)
 35:17 SIUE Christian Volesky
 68:40 VT Daniel Lauretano (David Fiorello)
 GK: SIUE-John Berner (0 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (6 saves)

Game #2 vs. Richmond | Aug. 26 | W, 1-0

BLACKSBURG – The Virginia Tech men's soccer team earned its first win of the young season this afternoon, earning a shutout in a 1-0 win over Richmond at Thompson Field in the final game of the Hilton Garden Inn Hokie Invitational.

Looking to rebound after Friday night's loss to SIU-Edwardsville, the Hokies came out quick as senior David Fiorello nearly found the back of the net in the fourth minute as he one-timed a shot from a Jed Prater corner.

The 16th minute saw Richmond nearly brake open the match as well, as a corner from Oliver Murphy found the head of Houston Oldhman that was blocked. Timmy Albright took a rip at the rebound, but Kyle Renfro was there to make the first of his six saves of the day.

Just over four minutes later, Tech found the goal it was looking for as Ben Strong found space down the right side of the Spider penalty box. The sophomore moved toward the endline and sent a low pass into the six-yard box that found David Clemens wide open. The junior calmly stepped toward the ball with his left foot before cleverly slotting it into the left side of the net with his right foot.

Strong again found space on the right side in the 33rd minute, but with a defender closing in his shot was just to the right of the post.

The Hokies took a 1-0 lead into the break, but Richmond came out looking for the equalizer, earning a pair of corners early in the second half. In the 57th minute, Tech nearly caught the Spiders on a counter attack as Prater sent a lobbed pass over the Richmond defense that Daniel Lauretano got onto the end of. The freshman's one-timer sailed just over the crossbar to leave Tech's advantage still at one.

Just over three minutes later, Albright thought he had the equalizer for the Spiders on a header from the left side. With his back post wide open Renfro was forced to react quickly to and reach back to get his left hand on the ball to deny the striker's attempt.

With Richmond furiously pushing to tie the game, the Hokies nearly put the game away in the final 10 minutes as Clemens beat two defenders and chipped a shot just over bar, and Drew Hartell placed a header just wide of the left post.

With a flurry at the end by the Spiders, the Tech defense was up to the challenge, stifling Richmond's final opportunities to seal the win.

Despite being outshot 15-10 overall, Tech nabbed the one it needed as Renfro came up with several key saves on the day to earn his first clean sheet of the season. Clemens led the Hokies with three shots, while Strong and Lauretano each had a pair.

Scoring Summary:

20:52 VT David Clemens (Ben Strong)
 GK: UR-Thomas Hand (2 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (6 saves)

Game #3 vs. Temple | Aug. 31 | W, 1-0

HARRISONBURG, Va. - In a tightly contested matchup, Virginia Tech earned its second shutout of the season, defeating Temple 1-0 in the opener of the JMU/Fairfield Inn by Marriott Invitational held at the JMU Soccer Complex.

The opening half was a back and forth affair as Temple (0-1-0) started out as the aggressor, getting three shots off in the first seven minutes of play. Momentum soon shifted as sophomore Ben Strong took four of his team-high five shots in a seven-minute span less than midway through the half.

Neither side was able to break the deadlock until Jed Prater was taken down in the Temple penalty box in the 56th minute. The junior captain calmly stepped up and hit a hard, low shot to the right that that Temple keeper Dan Scheck couldn't handle. It was Prater's first goal of the season.

Like the previous game, one goal was all Kyle Renfro needed. The junior keeper came up with several key saves on the night, the biggest coming with just over 13 minutes remaining as he made a kick save on his goal line after a point-blank shot from Chas Wilson.

The Owls had a late push that included three shots in the final minutes, but the Hokie defense was up to the challenge. The game was Renfro's second-straight shutout and third-straight six save performance.

Scoring Summary:

55:48 VT Jed Prater
 GK: TU-Dan Scheck (1 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (6 saves)

Game #4 vs. St. Bonaventure | Sept. 2 | W, 4-0

HARRISONBURG, Va. - The Virginia Tech men's soccer team used an offensive outburst this afternoon to dispatch St. Bonaventure 4-0 in its final game of the JMU/Fairfield Inn by Marriott Invitational Tournament at the JMU Soccer Complex.

The Hokies (3-1-0) came out shooting early and often, peppering the Bonnies' net throughout the day. Tech totaled five shots through the first 19 minutes before the game changed when Drew Hartell got free on a breakaway and was taken down by St. Bonaventure's Kolby Banker. The defender was subsequently sent off for the foul reducing the Bonnies to 10 men for the remainder of the match. The Hokies had seven more shots in the half, but were unable to find the back of the net.

Tech got on the board in the 59th minute as Daniel Lauretano took the ball off a Bonnie defender after a corner kick by Ben Strong. The freshman ripped a shot that found the back of the net for his second goal of the season.

Just over eight minutes later, David Clemens doubled the lead as he got on the end of a cross by Strong inside the six-yard box. The junior



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slipped the ball into the right side of the net for his second goal on the year. Hartell tallied the Hokies third goal of the game 54 seconds later when he took the ball off a Bonnie defender and scored from two yards out.

Tech netted its fourth goal of the afternoon in the 80th minute. Mike Wilkie got on the end of a corner by Strong, but his header ricocheted off of a defender and was headed in by Connor Pompilio.

In all, the Hokies outshot the Bonnies 27-10 while putting 13 more shots on target. Clemens led the team with seven shots, putting five on frame. Kyle Renfro had three saves on the day and Hunter Maricle had one as the two keepers combined for the Hokies third-straight shutout.

Next up for Virginia Tech is the ACC opener on Sept. 8 as the Hokies travel to Chapel Hill, N.C., to square off with No. North Carolina. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m., at Fetzer Field and can be seen on ESPN3.

Scoring Summary:

58:01 VT Daniel Lauretano
66:16 VT David Clemens (Ben Strong)
67:10 VT Drew Hartell
79:12 VT Connor Pompilio (Mike Wilkie)
GK: SB-Shane Cowman (12 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (1 save)

Game #5 at #1 North Carolina | Sept. 8 | L, 2-0

CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - Looking to knock off No. 1 North Carolina for the second-straight season proved to be a tough task for the Virginia Tech men's soccer team as it fell tonight, 2-0, at Fetzer Field.

After an hour and a half weather delay left the field slick at kickoff, both sides tried to ease it the game and pick their spots early on in the wet conditions. Hunter Byrnes gave the Hokies a great opportunity early, taking the ball straight at the Tar Heel defense. The redshirt freshman was able to slip past a pair of defenders on a run down the right side on his way toward the North Carolina goal. Unfortunately, he was closed down on just before getting shot off from inside the six-yard box.

North Carolina got on the board in the 14th minute as Jordan McCrary slipped a through ball into the Tech box that Martin Murphy ran on to. The senior chipped a ball over an outstretched Kyle Renfro that dropped into the back of the goal.

Over a minute later, Murphy pushed the advantage to two as a Hokie foul 30 yards out set up a free kick. Murphy hit a right to left strike that dipped under the crossbar and inside the far post past Renfro for his second goal of the game and fourth of the year.

The Hokies nearly cut the lead in half in the 33rd minute as Jed Prater hit a low shot to the left post that drifted just outside. David Clemens was sliding in to redirect the shot on goal, but he came up just short in the attempt.

In the final minute of the half, Tech earned its lone corner of the match. David Fiorello got a free header on the far side, but North Carolina goalkeeper Scott Goodwin corralled the late attempt to keep his team's lead at two going into the half.

The Hokies carried the momentum from the end of the first half into the second as they kept more possession and at times were dictating play. Searching for goals, they continued to put pressure on their opposition, but were unable to find space inside the Tar Heel penalty box needed to get shots off. The constant pressure by the Hokies led to several run outs for North Carolina, but time and time again, Renfro and his defenders came up with stops to keep the game at 2-0.

The Tar Heels held a 13-5 shot advantage, yet only had three more shots on goal than the Hokies. Daniel Lauretano led Tech with a pair of shots on the night while Fiorello, Prater and Strong each added one. Renfro finished the match with two saves.

Scoring Summary:

13:07 NC Martin Murphy (Jordan McCrary, Andy Craven)
14:59 NC Martin Murphy (Danny Garcia)
GK: NC-Scott Goodwin (1 save), VT-Kyle Renfro (2 saves)

Game #6 vs. Boston College | Sept. 14 | T, 1-1 (2OT)

BLACKSBURG – As it was a season ago, this year's match-up between Virginia Tech and Boston College was filled with drama as well, but this time, the two sides ended in a 1-1 draw after David Fiorello scored a wild goal in the 83rd minute to level the game for his 10-man squad.

With both teams trying to settle into the game early, it was BC's Kyle Bekker that opened things up in the 10th minute with a hard strike off of the right pos. The Eagles kept up consistent pressure on the Hokie backline throughout the half, but Tech stood tall. BC totaled 13 shots in the half, but Kyle Renfro came up with six saves to keep the game knotted and 0-0 heading into the half.

Boston College came out in the second half just as they ended the first—shooting. Charlie Rugg netted the game's first goal less than a minute into the second half. Bekker sent a low cross into the box to Rugg who went left side with the shot.

The game took another turn in the 51st minute as Tech center back DeVante DuBose was called for a foul on BC's Derrick Boateng. The junior was issued a red card leaving the Hokies to play with 10 men for the rest of the match. Tech dug in and continued to push, looking for the equalizer despite playing down a man. The Hokie attack though left the backline susceptible to Eagle counter attacks, one which found the inside of the right post but the ball ricocheted out.

In the 83rd minute, Fiorello equalized the game with a long-range effort. His shot from 35 yards out initially took a deflection from an Eagle defender. The shot went hard into the ground and sailed into the air toward the goal. BC keeper Justin Luthy retreated for the ball, but it dropped under the bar out of his reach.

The game headed into overtime with the 10-man Hokie squad searching for the game-winner. Tech came out the aggressor despite being short handed, but through 20 minutes of extra time, couldn't find the second goal and the two sides ended the game 1-1.

BC came away with a 10-4 advantage in shots on goal, but it was Renfro who time and time again came up with key stops for the Hokies. The junior tied his career-high in saves with nine. With the result Tech moves to 3-2-1 overall and 0-1-1 in the ACC, while BC is 2-2-1 overall and 0-1-1 in league play.

Scoring Summary:

45:34 BC Charlie Rugg (Kyle Bekker)
82:04 VT David Fiorello
GK: BC-Justin Luthy (3 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (9 saves)

Game #7 at #1 Maryland | Sept. 21 | L, 2-0

COLLEGE PARK, Md. - Taking on its second top-ranked opponent in two weeks, the Virginia Tech men's soccer team dropped a 2-0 result to No. 1 Maryland at Ludwig Field.

After slow start in the early going, it was Maryland taking advantage of its first shot of the game to lead to the game's opening goal. Tshuma Schillo hit a hard shot that forced a quick save out of the Kyle Renfro, but the rebound bounced to an open Patrick Mullins. The ACC assists leader volleyed the rebound to the left post just past Renfro.

Maryland (6-0-1, 3-0-0) produced four more shots before Tech tallied its first shot of the game. With a ball bouncing just outside the Terps six-yard box, the Hokies were unable to get a clean shot off until Maryland's attempted clearance found the foot of David Fiorello from 20 yards out.



Game-by-Game Recap

The senior midfielder hit a hard volley that was just to the right of the near post.

With the Terps coming at the Tech defense in waves and the Hokies responding, Mikey Ambrose doubled Maryland's lead with just over two minutes remaining in the half as he hit a ripped a left-footed shot between two Hokie defenders past a screened Renfro.

Trailing 2-0 at the half as they were two weeks ago at North Carolina, Virginia Tech (3-3-1, 0-2-1) again continued to fight in the second half against the No. 1 team in the country. Maryland's attack slowed and Tech began stringing together passes and producing opportunities. The Hokies though were unable to find the goal they needed to put the game in reach.

Despite being outshot by 11 in the first half, Tech recorded four of its five shots in the second half while Maryland produced six shots in the second half. Renfro was one save away from tying his career high for the second game in a row as he came up with eight stops on the night, recording four in each half. David Clemens led the Tech offense with two shots.

The two goals by the Terps marked only the second time this season that a team has held them to less than three goals. Heading into tonight's match Maryland has been one of the top offensive teams in the country, scoring 21 goals in six contests, while playing four of those against top 25 teams.

Scoring Summary:

12:45 MD Patrick Mullins

42:17 MD Mikey Ambrose

GK: MD-Keith Cardona (0 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (8 saves)

Game #8 vs. VMI | Sept. 25 | W, 3-1

BLACKSBURG - David Clemens' hat trick was the difference as the Virginia Tech men's soccer team defeated VMI, 3-1, tonight at Thompson Field.

The Hokies peppered the Keydets' net early and often, coming away with 22 shots on the night. Clemens got Tech on the board in the 31st minute as VMI was unable to clear a ball inside its own six-yard box. With several players going for the ball, Clemens was able to get a foot on it first and put it in the back of the net.

Clemens broke the game open 11 minutes later, again, from inside the Keydets six-yard box. David Fiorello took a low, hard shot that VMI goalkeeper Daniel Kitchen managed to stop momentarily, but Connor Pompilio tapped the rebound forward to Clemens who turned and hit a quick shot to the left side of the goal.

In the 85th minute, VMI closed the gap as Andrew Starnes was able to tap in a shot from two yards out. The Keydets were able to move the ball into the box from the left side before a scramble ensued and Starnes was the first to get a foot on the ball.

Clemens quickly gave the Hokies back their two-goal advantage, scoring just over a minute later. The junior striker out ran a Keydet defender into the box where he was able to hit a shot from 15 yards out over Kitchen who was sliding out to make the stop. The third tally marked Clemens' first-career hat trick. The three goals gave him five on the year, which is the most he has scored in a season while at Tech.

The Hokies held a 22-7 advantage in shots, while putting 11 more on frame than VMI. Clemens led Tech's attack with seven shots, notching goals on all three he put on target. Strong added five shots with three on frame, while Jed Prater took four shots with three on target.

The Hokies will step back into ACC action Friday as the team welcomes No. 16 Wake Forest to Thompson Field. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

Scoring Summary:

30:21 VT David Clemens

41:21 VT David Clemens (Connor Pompilio)

84:15 VMI Andrew Starnes

85:40 VT David Clemens

GK: VMI-Daniel Kitchen (8 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (0 saves)

Game #9 vs. #16 Wake Forest | Sept. 28 | W, 4-0

BLACKSBURG - The Virginia Tech men's soccer team fell 4-0 to No. 16 Wake Forest tonight at Thompson Field. The loss drops the Hokies to 4-4-1 overall and 0-3-1 in the ACC, while Wake Forest moved to 6-1-3 on the season and 1-0-3 in league play.

The Demon Deacons came out quick with three shots and a pair of corners in the first three and a half minutes, but the Hokies responded with a pair of shots of their own just minutes later. Wake Forest's Luca Gimenez though, responded to the Hokie attack by fending off a Tech defender in the Hokie box and slotting a shot inside the left post past Kyle Renfro in the eighth minute.

Wake Forest's pressure continued throughout the half, firing off 14 shots to Tech's three. Gimenez gave the Demon Deacons a 2-0 halftime lead with just under five minutes remaining. Sean Okoli hit a hard shot that was blocked by a Hokie defender, but Gimenez was in the right spot and put the rebound past Renfro.

Just over 10 minutes into the second half, Austin Stewart was called for a foul on a Wake Forest attacker in the box resulting in a penalty kick. Gimenez stepped up for the attempt and tucked it inside the right post past Renfro for his third goal of the match.

The Demon Deacons added to its lead in the 78th minute. Kyle Emerson sent a low left-to-right cross through the Hokie box that found Ross Tomaselli on the back post.

Wake Forest put seven more shots on the board in the second while Tech took four. Kyle Renfro had five saves on the night while Wake Forest keeper Michael Lisch had three. David Clemens and Drew Ranahan led the Hokies with two shots apiece.

Scoring Summary:

7:04 WF Luca Gimenez (Collin Martin)

40:09 WF Luca Gimenez (Sean Okoli)

55:21 WF Luca Gimenez

77:31 WF Ross Tomaselli (Kyle Emerson)

GK: WF-Michael Lisch (3 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (5 saves)

Game #10 vs. Campbell | Oct. 2 | L, 3-0

BUIES CREEK, N.C. - After a thunderstorm rolled through Buies Creek, with lightning forcing the game to start an hour late, the Virginia Tech men's soccer team was defeated by Campbell, 3-0, at Eakes Athletic Complex

The Hokies (4-5-1) started off quick notching a pair of shots and earning a corner kick within the first five minutes of play, but Campbell struck back getting off five shots in the following eight minutes, forcing three saves out of Tech goalkeeper Kyle Renfro. Despite the Camels holding a 10-2 advantage in shots at the half, the Hokies were able to keep the game level at the half.

Campbell (7-2-1) broke the deadlock in the 50th minute as Jhvon Francis scored his second goal of the season. Mitchell Cardenas doubled the Camels' lead six minutes later with his fourth goal of the year. Francis struck again in the 63rd minute on a half volley to give Campbell a 3-0 advantage.

Renfro came away with six saves on the night, but the 13-minute three-goal stretch in the second half was the difference for Campbell.



Game-by-Game Recap

The Camels held an 18-7 shot advantage in the game. Jed Prater and Daniel Lauretano each led Tech with two shots, while Lauretano and Ben Strong each tallied a shot on goal.

The Hokies return to Thompson Field on Friday when the team hosts NJIT. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m.

Scoring Summary:

49:30 CAM Jhuvon Francis (Isaiah Page, Mitchell Cardenas)
55:27 CAM Mitchell Cardenas (Ricki Gaez, Isaiah Page)
62:54 CAM Jhuvon Francis (Bryce Miller, Mitchell Cardenas)
GK: CAM-Ethan Hall (2 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (6 saves)

Game #11 vs. NJIT | Oct. 5 | W, 2-1

BLACKSBURG - A pair of freshmen tallied goals for the Hokies tonight as the Virginia Tech men's soccer team defeated NJIT 2-1 at Thompson Field.

Virginia Tech (5-5-1) opened up the first part of the game with a couple great opportunities, none other than a header by David Clemens in the fourth minute. NJIT keeper Lars Maalen-Johansen was forced into early action to make that stop, along with being forced to make another save in the 12th minute on a shot by Cameron Owens. NJIT (7-6-0) though, came right back as Cristian Marcel put a shot off of the right post.

Hunter Jecius got the Hokies on the board in the 15th minute, scoring off a well-placed cross from Ben Strong on a corner kick. Just outside the six-yard box, the 6-foot-3 defender rose up and headed the ball toward the right side of the net for the first goal of his career in only his second shot attempt of the season.

The Highlanders nearly tied the game up in the 30th minute, but Marko Drljic's strike found the left post.

In a back and forth first half that saw both sides pushing on counter attacks, the shot total was even at four through 45 minutes, but the Hokies held the one-goal advantage.

Daniel Lauretano nearly provided Tech an insurance goal 15 seconds into the second half. The freshman sent in a lofted ball from the left side that initially appeared to be a cross. The attempt nearly caught Maalen-Johansen off guard when it was headed on frame, but unfortunately for the striker, it ricocheted off of the crossbar.

Four minutes later, Drljic had another chance to level the game, but this time, his shot attempt found the right post. The ball though bounced back to teammate Joshua Mercer who buried the rebound to knot up the match at 1-1.

Lauretano was back at in the 54th minute, trying to get the Hokies the second goal they were searching for. The freshman lost his man on the back post and connected on a diving header after a curling cross was sent in from the right side of the box. An uproar from the crowd ensued as the ball appeared to be in the back of the net, but unfortunately for the Hokies, the attempt was placed just outside of the post.

The Hokies persistent pressure paid off in the 59th minute as Connor Pompilio took the ball in the box, cut to his left and dribbled toward the post before slotting a shot past Maalen-Johansen to give Tech a 2-1 lead. It was the freshman's second goal of the season and turned out to be his first game-winner as the Hokie defense limited the Highlanders to only one shot through the remaining half hour of play.

Tech held an 11-7 shot advantage overall after outshooting the Highlanders 7-3 during the final 45 minutes. Lauretano led the Hokies with four shots, while Clemens and Owens each added a pair.

Scoring Summary:

14:46 VT Hunter Jecius (Ben Strong)
49:45 NJIT Joshua Mercer (Marko Drljic)

58:58 VT Connor Pompilio
GK: NJIT-Lars Maalen-Johansen (2 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (2 saves)

Game #12 vs. Longwood | Oct. 9 | T, 0-0 (2OT)

FARMVILLE, Va. - The Virginia Tech men's soccer team played to a scoreless draw tonight with Longwood at the Lancers' Athletics Complex. The Hokies moved to 5-5-2 on the season while Lancers are now 3-9-2.

After Longwood earned three corners and tallied two shots in the opening 15 minutes of play, Ben Strong had a corner which led to Hunter Jecius recording the first chance of the night for Tech on a header, but the attempt was saved by Paul Hegedus. The Lancers had a pair of opportunities 10 minutes later, but Jecius denied Anthony Ugory's shot attempt and Zach Corcoran followed that up by putting a shot off the post.

In the 36th minute, David Clemens put a strike on frame, but Hegedus came away with the stop. A pair of corners ensued for the Hokies, followed by Jed Prater putting a shot on target, but Hegedus came away with another save.

Tech held a 3-1 advantage in shots on goal through the first 45 minutes of play, but the score remained level at 0-0.

The second half saw the Hokies put four more shots on frame, including two from Ben Strong, along with a header by Jecius in the 89th minute, but they were unable to put one past Hegedus.

In overtime, Tech outshot Longwood 4-2 through 20 minutes, but the two sides ended the game as they started. It was the second game this season that the Hokies have gone to overtime, both times coming away with draws.

Overall, Virginia Tech outshot the home side 12-9 and held an 8-2 edge in shots on goal. Clemens led the Hokies with three shots with Jecius and Strong each adding a pair. All three tallied two shots on target. Kyle Renfro recorded one save on the night for Tech, while Hegedus came away with eight stops for Longwood.

Scoring Summary:

GK: LU-Paul Hegedus (8 saves), VT-Kyle Renfro (1 saves)

