HEAD COACH JASON NEIDELL HAS ANNOUNCED THE SIGNING OF ANNE-MARIE ULLIAC, A TRANSFER GOALKEEPER FROM ADELPHI UNIVERSITY, TO THE WKU SOCCER ROSTER. ULLIAC, A NATIVE OF EDMONTON, ALBERTA, CANADA, COMPETED FOR TWO SEASONS WITH THE PANTHERS AT ADELPHI IN GARDEN CITY, N.Y.

“WE ARE EXCITED TO WELCOME ANNE-MARIE INTO OUR SOCCER FAMILY. SHE WAS ONE WHO GOT AWAY FROM US WHEN WE INITIALLY RECRUITED HER ALMOST THREE YEARS AGO, SO WE WERE ELATED WHEN SHE REACHED BACK OUT TO US AGAIN ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF BECOMING A LADY TOPPER. SHE IS AN IMPRESSIVE GOALKEEPER WHO IS MATURE BEYOND HER YEARS,” NEIDELL SAID OF THE NEW SIGNEE.

ULLIAC, WHO COMPLETED HER TWO-YEAR STINT AT ADELPHI WITH A STELLAR 0.74 GOALS AGAINST AVERAGE ACROSS 41 CONTESTS, SURRENDERED JUST 31 GOALS WHILE MAKING 114 SAVES DURING HER TIME AS A PANTHER. ADELPHI POSTED A 33-5-3 RECORD WITH ULLIAC IN GOAL OVER THE LAST TWO SEASONS AS THE CANADIAN LOGGED 15 SOLO SHUTOUTS OVER THAT SAME TIME FRAME.

“THE WKU COACHING STAFF IS SECOND TO NONE; I APPRECIATE THE PROFESSIONALISM IN EVERY DETAIL OF THEIR PROGRAM, AND OF COURSE THERE'S THE FACT THAT THEY'VE SENT TWO GOALKEEPERS INTO THE PRO LEAGUES SO FAR IN LIBBY Stout AND NORA ABOLINS. I KNOW ALL THE GIRLS ARE FIERCELY COMPETITIVE AND BRING A HIGH LEVEL OF INTENSITY TO EVERY PRACTICE AND GAME, AND A FEW OF THEM HAVE ALREADY REACHED OUT TO WELCOME ME WHICH MADE ME EVEN MORE EXCITED TO TAKE WKU TO THE NEXT STEP IN C-USA WITH THEM,” ULLIAC SAID.


“THERE'S DEFINITELY A UNIQUE STYLE OF AMERICAN SOCCER, THE GAME IS MORE DIRECT AND MORE PHYSICAL. GOING FROM ALBERTA TO LONG ISLAND IN NEW YORK WAS A BIT OF A CULTURE SHOCK, AND CONNECTICUT (THE LOCATION OF NEW ENGLAND MUTINY) WAS DIFFERENT AS WELL, SO I'M EAGER TO SEE ALL THE GREAT THINGS KENTUCKY HAS IN STORE,” ULLIAC SAID OF HER MOVE TO THE BLUEGRASS STATE.

Not only does Ulliac bring a high level of play on the field, but in the classroom as well, being named a CoSIDA First Team All-District selection as a sophomore in 2016. She will join a roster that includes 2016 All-C-USA Second Teamer Allison Leone, freshman Jenna Rohlin and redshirt freshman Keely Vincent at the goalkeeper position.

“WKU IS AT A POINT WHERE I BELIEVE THEY HAVE THE RIGHT COMBINATION OF COACHING, ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AND PLAYERS TO BECOME A DOMINANT C-USA FORCE AND A CONTENDER IN THE NCAA TOURNAMENT, AND I'M THRILLED FOR THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE AN IMPACT WITH A PROGRAM OF THIS MUCH POTENTIAL. OFF THE PITCH, WKU HAS A FANTASTIC ARRAY OF SPORTS-RELATED PROGRAMS WHICH I EXPECT TO CREATE AN EXCEPTIONAL ACADEMIC ENVIRONMENT,” ULLIAC SAID.

“Anne-Marie has aspirations to continue her playing career after college, and having more athletes on our team with this kind of passion and commitment to the game is a testament to our program and inspiring to teammates,” added Neidell.

WKU finished the 2016 season with a 12-6-1 record, the Lady Toppers’ most victories since also notching 12 during the 2012 campaign. The Lady Toppers earned a third-place finish in the conference, the team’s best since joining C-USA prior to the 2014 season, and Neidell was named the C-USA Coach of the Year following the team’s strong year.
WKU SOCCER ANNOUNCES 2017 RECRUITING CLASS
Signee Action Shots Attached

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. - WKU Soccer has announced its 2017 signing class, composed of three forwards and three defenders, as announced by Head Coach Jason Neidell and assistant coaches Dustin Downey and Will Beddingfield on Monday afternoon.

The class features a pair of local signees in Brooke Tackett (Nicholasville, Ky.) and Tally Bishop (Nashville, Tenn.), two commitments from the state of Michigan in Paige Goodman (Lake Orion) and Ashley Leonard (Troy) and a pair of signees that expand the Lady Toppers’ reach in the United States in Victoria Mayo (Fort Myers, Fla.) and Avery Jacobsen (Las Vegas, Nev.).

Neidell on WKU’s 2017 signing class: “We are extremely excited about this recruiting class. While we signed some terrific defenders, the recruiting focus for this class was definitely on improving our attacking flair. Even the defenders in this group offer something significant on the attacking side of the ball. In addition to being terrific soccer players, all of these young ladies are excellent students and first-class individuals. Most importantly, this group is excited, passionate, and eager to join the Lady Topper soccer family and be a part of our journey!”

WKU will seek an immediate impact from their signing class as the Lady Toppers will replace six seniors from their 2016 squad, all of whom were regular starters. The Lady Toppers finished the 2016 season with a 12-6-1 record, the Lady Toppers’ most victories since also notching 12 during the 2012 campaign.

Tally Bishop – Forward, 5’2”, Nashville, Tenn.
A member of Tennessee’s Olympic Development Program team in 2014 and 2015, Bishop brings valuable experience to the Lady Toppers from both her high school and club careers. In addition to her ODP experience, Bishop was an invitee for the 2014 U.S. Soccer Training Center experience at the club level as a member of the Tennessee Soccer Club.

In high school, the forward starred for Father Ryan High School and lettered in soccer in each of her four years. Bishop finished her storied career with 82 goals for the Irish and tallied 29 during her senior season, leading Father Ryan to the state championship in Tennessee. A constant offensive threat with an eye for the goal, Bishop never scored fewer than 17 goals in a single season in her high school career. Bishop will be the lone representative from the state of Tennessee on the Lady Toppers’ 2017 roster and will be the first player from Tennessee to feature for WKU since 2013.

Neidell on Bishop: “Tally is a quick and fiercely competitive attacking player who always seems to find a way to put her mark on the game. She brings great vision to the game with a very dangerous combination of dribbling and passing skills, which allow her to attack one-on-one on the dribble or bait defenders and pass. She is effective as both a goal scorer and playmaker.”

Goodman is set to bring extensive experience from the ODP level as she joins the Lady Toppers, having been involved in the program since 2011. A member of the Michigan ODP team from 2011-16, Goodman served as the captain of the squad in 2015-16 and has also been a member of the ODP Regional team (2011-15) and was invited to the ODP National Training Camp in 2014-15.

With her club, Nationals Union ’99 Black, Goodman helped to lead her side to both the State Cup championship in 2016 and the Disney Soccer Showcase Tournament championship in 2017. A three-year starter at Lake Orion High School, Goodman led the Dragons in scoring during both the 2015 and 2016 seasons, serving as a captain during her final season in 2016; the forward has earned All-
District and All-Conference selections for her efforts. In addition to soccer, Goodman also earned a letter in track and field as a freshman.

Goodman will join fellow freshman Ashley Leonard as signees from Michigan on WKU’s 2017 roster. Neidell on Goodman: “Paige is a passionate attacking player who can change a game. She has good speed and strength and, most importantly, strikes a great ball from distance with the ability to bend and texture her finishing too. In addition to her attacking presence within the flow of the game, I think Paige can become a great free kick specialist and really help improve that part of our game.”

**Avery Jacobsen – Defender, 5’7”, Las Vegas, Nev.**

A former U.S. Club soccer national champion, Jacobsen brings nearly five years of club experience to the Lady Toppers and has been a mainstay at the ODP level since 2012.

Jacobsen has seen tremendous club success beginning with 2013 titles at the Las Vegas Mayor’s Cup College Showcase Tournament and the Surf Cup Thanksgiving Tournament. From there, Jacobsen continued to excel with a Nevada State Cup championship and the Far West Regional League championship in 2014.

Jacobsen shined on the national stage, reaching the ECNL National Championships with Las Vegas Premier ECNL in Richmond, Va., in 2015 before her club career culminated in the ultimate prize, the 2016 U.S. Club soccer national championship with the Downtown Las Vegas Soccer Club.

A 2017 nominee for both the Gatorade Player of the Year and the Nevada Preps Player of the Year, Jacobsen has served as a team captain for Palo Verde High School since 2015, earning back-to-back defensive MVP awards and a nod on the Nevada Preps Best of Nevada All-State First Team.

Jacobsen will be the first player ever from the state of Nevada to suit up for the Lady Toppers.

Neidell on Jacobsen: “Avery is a born leader. She has a commanding defensive presence and a very good grasp on individual and team defending. On the attacking side, Avery is a composed and skilled player who serves a great ball with precision out of the back. Avery prides herself on being the start to her team’s attack.”

**Ashley Leonard – Forward, 5’5”, Troy, Mich.**

A four-year high school starter and star club player, Leonard will look to bring a strong attacking presence for the Lady Toppers in 2017. At the club level, Leonard helped her squad to the Disney Soccer Showcase title in both 2015 and 2017 and the State Cup championship in Michigan in 2016 as a strong player up front. Leonard’s club, Nationals Union ’99 Black, is currently ranked No. 1 in both the state of Michigan and Region II and is No. 15 in the nation.

A major offensive threat for Troy Athens High School, Leonard led the Red Hawks to three consecutive district championships in 2014, 2015 and 2016 as well as a regional championship in the 2015 season.

Leonard led her team in both goals and assists in her final two seasons, tallying 43 goals and 15 helpers over that time frame, and was ranked the No. 8 player to watch in Michigan by the State Champs Network in 2016.

Leonard and fellow freshman and club teammate Paige Goodman will join junior Hannah Cady as representatives from Michigan on the 2017 roster.

Neidell on Leonard: “Ashley is a creative and technical player with a great nose for the goal. She is deceptive in and around the box, has a very quick release on her shot, and she can score with both feet. She also does a great job of bringing others into the game, making it difficult to key on her. She is very good with her back to goal, but also makes well-timed runs to get behind lines.”

**Victoria Mayo – Defender, 5’8”, Fort Myers, Fla.**

Not only does Mayo bring high school and club level experience to the Lady Toppers, she has also been a member of the Women’s Premier Soccer League (WPSL) side Palm City FC since 2015. Mayo’s stint with the Cape Coral Cyclones included titles in the Disney Soccer Showcase (2014), the Disney Showcase Qualifier (2015 and 2016), a bracket championship in the CASL Showcase (2015) and participation in the National Premier League East.
Mayo has been recognized as a player to watch by Top Drawer Soccer and was a participant in the Florida ODP training centers in 2013 and 2014.
At South Fort Myers High School, Mayo has led the Wolfpack as a four-year starter and has served as a team captain. Mayo will join fellow Floridians Nicole Roseland and Kaylyn Bryant on WKU’s 2017 roster. Neidell on Mayo: “Victoria is the prototype for the kind of player that we want playing a wide position in our system. She has made huge strides this year in her defending and defensive tenacity, but it’s on the attacking side where she really shines. She loves attacking on the dribble and definitely brings some attacking savviness to the game.”

**Brooke Tackett – Defender, 5’9”, Nicholasville, Ky.**
A member of Lexington FC, Tackett brings defensive tenacity for a Lady Topper side looking to replace three back line players. With Lexington FC, Tackett reached the 2014 state finals as well as the finals of the 2015 Disney Soccer Showcase.
In high school at Lexington Christian Academy, Tackett was named First Team All-Region during each of her four seasons and earned an All-State honorable mention nod in 2015. Not only was she a force on the field, Tackett was also recognized in each of her four seasons as an Academic All-State team member and served as a captain for the Eagles during her senior season.
The lone Kentucky native in the 2017 signing class, Tackett will join Taylor Fry, Sarah Gorham and Keely Vincent as players from the Bluegrass State for the Lady Toppers.
Neidell on Tackett: “Brooke is a player who has just touched the surface of her ability. She is a solid one-on-one defender, good in the air and has tremendous speed for her size. She will be striving to improve her technical and tactical speed, but I believe she has the drive and motivation to adapt and learn quickly in our environment.”
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WKU TO PARTICIPATE IN NSCAA OPEN TRAINING WEEK
Attendee Registration Link: eiseverywhere.com/ehome/228023

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU is set to participate in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America’s open training initiative on April 4 from 4-6 p.m. at the WKU Soccer Complex. The event is open to the public, and coaches from the Bowling Green area and across Kentucky are also invited to attend.

The open practice session is free for all attendees. Those who plan to attend are asked to RSVP in advance if possible, but walk-up registrations on the day of the event will also be available. The Lady Toppers are the lone team, men’s or women’s, participating in the event in the state of Kentucky.

The session will feature the Lady Toppers going through a full training session, allowing coaches, players and fans who attend to see the workings of a Division I program. Coaches who attend are welcome to roam through the training session as they see fit in order to get a better understanding of the drills that will be taking place.

For those attending, a speaker system will be set up near the stands and the WKU coaches will have wireless mics for attendees to hear the information being given by the coaches.

WKU soccer merchandise will be available for purchase on site, and the session will feature a Q&A session with both the coaches and players following the end of practice. Players will also be available after the session to sign autographs for fans and to answer any questions that younger fans may have.

The National Soccer Coaches Association of America was founded in 1941 and is based in Kansas City, Mo. The NSCAA, the world’s largest soccer coaches organization, is the trusted and unifying voice, advocate and partner for coaches at all levels of the game.

The Association provides programs and services that enhance, encourage and contribute to the development and recognition of soccer coaches, their players and the game we love.
MONCADA, JACKSON JOIN LADY TOPPER SOCCER SIGNING CLASS

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU Soccer has bolstered its seven-member 2017 signing class with two additional recruits, as Head Coach Jason Neidell announced that Felicia Moncada (Arlington Heights, Ill.) and Deven Jackson (Auckland, New Zealand) will join the Lady Toppers for the fall season.

“‘Good things come to those who wait’ explains our excitement over our newest Lady Toppers, Felicia and Deven. We took a very patient and methodical approach to finishing out this year’s recruiting class, and we think we hit a home run with these two fantastic student-athletes,” Neidell said of the additions. “They fill very important immediate positional needs and, more importantly, both are first class young ladies. We are excited and eager to welcome them into our soccer family.”

Moncada brings extensive ECNL experience following a four-year stint as the captain of Sockers FC, reaching the US Club Soccer finals with the squad during the 2013 season. The success with Sockers FC continued in 2014 as Moncada competed in the ECNL National Championship Playoffs and helped to lead her team to the ECNL Midwest Conference championship. Her ECNL experience continued to grow with Eclipse Select in 2016, capturing the Illinois State Cup as well as earning a second-place finish in conference play.

In high school, Moncada starred for Saint Viator High School and had the opportunity to travel with her team to the Iber Cup and Donostia Cup in Spain and Portugal for two weeks prior to her junior year. The Lions competed against teams from across the world, including Brazil, France and Norway in addition to Spanish and Portuguese opponents, and Moncada drew starts for both the U16 and U18 teams in the event. During her time with Saint Viator, Moncada also led the Lions to a Class 2A regional championship and an appearance in the sectional finals during the 2015 season.

Moncada will join fellow Illinois native Shayna Dheel on WKU's roster for the fall season.

Neidell on Moncada: “Felicia has impressive speed with and without the ball. She will add depth in our wide positions where we hope to isolate her one-on-one to best utilize her skill set. She brings a great eagerness to learn and be mentored and has a world of untapped potential.”

Jackson will trek around the world to join the Lady Toppers from New Zealand and will pair with Aleksandra Kozovic and Anne-Marie Ulliac as international players suiting up for WKU next season. Like Kozovic, she brings national team experience to the Lady Toppers, having competed with New Zealand’s U17 team and been part of a national talent center camp at the U19 level.

In 2013, Jackson traveled with the U17 national team to Australia for a trio of friendlies and to the United States for a tournament against the US, China and Japan. She was also named to the roster for the U17 World Cup in Costa Rica, but could not compete due to an ankle injury just before the event.

In addition to her national team experience, Jackson has also competed in New Zealand’s National Women’s League with the Auckland Football Federation and participated in a secondary school tour of Thailand where she was named MVP of the competition.

With Mount Albert Grammar School, Jackson became the only Year 9 starter and top goalscorer for her team in 2011 before capturing three consecutive league, provincial and national championships between 2013-15.

Neidell on Jackson: “Deven is a very technical player with the vision and passing ability to unlock defenses. She will fit right into a midfield that is the best I've coached in my time here. She brings a wealth of international experience that will be invaluable to our team.”

Moncada and Jackson are set to join six freshmen and sophomore transfer Ulliac as newcomers on The Hill this fall. WKU is coming off its best season since joining C-USA prior to the 2014 campaign as the Lady Toppers posted a 12-6-1 overall record in 2016 and earned the No. 3 seed in the conference tournament.
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WKU SOCCER ANNOUNCES 2017 FALL SCHEDULE

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU Soccer Head Coach Jason Neidell has announced the 2017 schedule that includes nine home matches at the WKU Soccer Complex and marquee non-conference matchups against Texas and Vanderbilt in the first three weeks of the season.

The Lady Toppers are coming off a 12-6-1 campaign in 2016 that saw WKU earn its highest-ever finish since joining C-USA, claiming third place in the final regular season standings. WKU’s 12 wins were its most in a single season since 2012 and marked the program’s 13th season with double-digit wins in 16 tries. Neidell, the only head coach in program history, earned C-USA Coach of the Year honors following WKU’s strong finish.

WKU’s 2017 slate will open with a pair of exhibition matchups on the road as the Lady Toppers travel to take on Saint Louis (Aug. 11) and Murray State (Aug. 13) for the first in-game look at this season’s squad. Last season, WKU split its pair of exhibition matches, falling 1-0 against Northern Kentucky before rebounding with a 2-0 shutout at Xavier.

WKU will open the regular season on the road for the second straight season, traveling south to battle Lipscomb at 7 p.m. on Friday, Aug. 18. The Lady Toppers own a perfect 5-0 mark in school history against the Bisons and hold a 17-2 edge in scoring in the all-time series.

Next up, the Lady Toppers will make one of the longest non-conference road trips in program history, heading just over 13 hours south to face Texas on Aug. 20. The Longhorns finished with an 8-9-1 record in 2016 and will mark just the third time that WKU has squared off against a Big 12 foe after facing Oklahoma State in 2002 and 2003.

Following the Texas trip, WKU will round out its season-opening road trip at Austin Peay on Aug. 25 before returning to the WKU Soccer Complex for the home opener against UT Martin at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27. The Lady Toppers defeated both teams last season, dropping UT Martin 7-1 on the road before claiming a thrilling 2-1 overtime victory over Austin Peay at home.

WKU will remain at home for its next three matches, taking on Evansville (Sept. 3), Vanderbilt (Sept. 8) and Samford (Sept. 10). The Lady Toppers are set to host an SEC opponent for the second straight season after dropping a narrow 1-0 decision against LSU last season and will be seeking their first-ever victory over the Commodores in the first meeting between the two sides since 2012. Against Evansville and Samford, WKU owns a combined 7-2-1 record all-time, but has not fallen to either side since 2005.

C-USA play opens on Sept. 15 for the Lady Toppers, who will trek to Old Dominion for the first of five conference matches on the road this season. WKU will remain on the road for their second match as well, traveling to Southern Miss on Sept. 21.

Rice and North Texas will kick off WKU’s home C-USA slate on Sept. 28 and Oct. 1, respectively. Last season saw the Lady Toppers claim their first-ever victory over the Owls with a 1-0 win in Houston, while WKU nearly knocked off the preseason favorite Mean Green in a tight 2-1 setback on the second leg of its Texas road swing. Rounding out the road schedule for WKU are trips to archival Middle Tennessee (Oct. 6), UAB (Oct. 8) and UTSA (Oct. 19). WKU earned shutout victories against all three sides during the 2016 season, outscoring their opponents 5-0 along the way.

WKU will complete its schedule with three home matches against Florida Atlantic (Oct. 13), FIU (Oct. 15) and the regular season finale against Marshall (Oct. 27). Though the Lady Toppers fell, 1-0, at Florida Atlantic last season, the team also claimed identical 1-0 wins over the Panthers and Thundering Herd.

The 2017 C-USA Tournament will be hosted by Florida Atlantic in Boca Raton, Fla., from Nov. 1-5 with the top eight teams reaching the conference tournament. Last season, WKU entered as the No. 3 seed before falling to eventual champion Charlotte on penalty kicks in the quarterfinals. WKU will be competing in a conference tournament in Boca Raton for the second time in school history after also competing in the Sun Belt Tournament in 2009.

The Lady Toppers return four of their top five point scorers from last season, including All-Freshman and Third Team selection Chandler Backes who led the team with 21 (10 goals, one assist). Also returning for WKU is stalwart goalkeeper Allison Leone, who pieced together a 533-minute shutout streak and a goals against average of 0.60 with nine shutouts in 2016 en route to Second Team All-C-USA honors.
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THREE LADY TOPPERS NAMED PRESEASON ALL-C-USA, WKU PICKED FIFTH

IRVING, Texas – Allison Leone, Nicole Roseland and Chandler Backes have each earned a spot on the Preseason All-C-USA Team, while WKU has been picked fifth in the preseason coaches’ poll as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon.

The individual honors are the first preseason honors for each player, and WKU’s three selections are tied alongside Charlotte for the league high. All three Lady Toppers also earned postseason all-conference honors in 2016, as Roseland was named to the First Team, Leone to the Second Team and Backes to both the Third Team and All-Freshman Team.

WKU’s fifth-place position in the C-USA preseason coaches’ poll is its highest since joining the conference prior to the 2014 season. Last season, the Lady Toppers were picked eighth and outperformed that preseason slot, posting a 12-6-1 overall record and notching a third-place finish in C-USA play. North Texas, with eight first-place votes, is picked to finish atop the conference.

One of the top goalkeepers in C-USA over the last three seasons, Leone returns for her senior season on The Hill sporting a 0.99 career goals against average and 22 career shutouts. Last season, the Kennesaw, Ga., native surrendered just 11 goals in 1,648 minutes of action between the posts while picking up nine solo shutouts. Leone currently holds second place in the WKU career record book for goals against average and shutouts and ranks third in minutes (5,165), wins (30) and saves (225).

A steady force at holding midfielder for the Lady Toppers, Roseland returns for her junior season after picking up First Team All-C-USA honors in 2016. Named the C-USA Defensive Player of the Week on Sept. 26 last season, the Altamonte Springs, Fla., native helped to anchor a defensive side that gave up only 13 goals across 19 matches, the second-fewest in WKU history. Roseland has played in all 38 matches with 34 starts during her time with the Lady Toppers and will provide leadership for a defense that lost four significant starters from last season.

Backes enters her sophomore campaign coming off one of the finest offensive campaigns in program history during her first year on The Hill. As a freshman, she netted 10 goals, becoming one of only five players in school history to accomplish that feat in a single season. Backes tallied match-winners against Morehead State, Marshall and Southern Miss and had a trio of two-goal matches during the 2016 season; on Sept. 6, she became the first player in school history recognized with a spot on TopDrawerSoccer.com’s National Team of the Week following a three-goal week.

The Lady Toppers kick off their 2017 season with a pair of exhibition matches on the road this weekend, first traveling to Saint Louis on Friday evening at 7 p.m. (CT) before squaring off against Murray State on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. (CT). WKU is set to open the 2017 regular season at 7 p.m. (CT) on Friday, Aug. 18, on the road at Lipscomb and will play its first home match of the season at 1 p.m. (CT) on Sunday, Aug. 27, against UT Martin.

2017 Preseason All-Conference USA Women’s Soccer Team

F Megan Greene, Charlotte
MF/D Riley Orr, Charlotte
MF/F Martha Thomas, Charlotte
D Nomvula Kgoale, Louisiana Tech
D Carissa Sanders, North Texas
D Jackie Stroud, Old Dominion
MF Samantha Chaiken, Rice
F Nia Stallings, Rice
F Chandler Backes, WKU
GK Allison Leone, WKU
MF Nicole Roseland, WKU

2017 C-USA Preseason Offensive Player of the Year
MF/F Martha Thomas, Charlotte

2017 C-USA Preseason Defensive Player of the Year
D Nomvula Kgoale, Louisiana Tech

2017 Preseason C-USA Coaches' Poll
1. North Texas (8)
T2. Charlotte (5)
T2. Rice (1)
4. Florida Atlantic

5. WKU
6. Old Dominion
7. Louisiana Tech
8. UTEP
9. Marshall
10. UTSA
11. Middle Tennessee
12. FIU
13. Southern Miss
14. UAB
LADY TOPPER SOCCER ANNOUNCES FREE ADMISSION FOR ALL 2017 HOME MATCHES

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU Soccer has announced that it will offer free admission for all fans at each of its nine home matches at the WKU Soccer Complex this season, including five C-USA matches and a non-conference tilt against SEC foe Vanderbilt.

“We feel free admittance will result in more people initially attending games who will then become consistent fans of the program. We must also enhance community involvement in our program,” WKU Director of Athletics Todd Stewart said. “This enables us to create more of a home-field advantage for our soccer student-athletes while also making these matches more accessible for our local community.”

WKU joins four other C-USA schools in offering free admission for women’s soccer, alongside Southern Miss, Middle Tennessee, Louisiana Tech and UTSA. The Lady Toppers have increased their attendance numbers in each of the last two seasons and drew their most fans per home match since 2013 during their successful 2016 campaign.

Last season, WKU posted a 7-2 record at the WKU Soccer Complex and surrendered just three goals in 810 minutes of action. The Lady Toppers’ seven home victories were the most for the program since recording eight during the 2011 season, and their 12 wins overall were the team’s most since also hitting that mark in 2012.

In the 2017 preseason poll, C-USA coaches voted the Lady Toppers to finish fifth in the league, their highest preseason projection since joining the conference prior to the 2014 season. Allison Leone, Nicole Roseland and Chandler Backes were also selected to the preseason all-conference team, tying WKU alongside Charlotte for the most honorees in the league.

WKU is set to open its home slate at 1 p.m. (CT) on Sunday, August 27, as the Lady Toppers welcome UT Martin to the WKU Soccer Complex. That will be the first of four consecutive home non-conference matches before C-USA play kicks off at 7 p.m. (CT) on Thursday, Sept. 28, against Rice.
WKU TO FACE SAINT LOUIS, MURRAY STATE IN ROAD EXHIBITION MATCHES

Saint Louis Live Stats: stats.statbroadcast.com/broadcast/?id=179568

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU is set to open its 2017 season with a pair of exhibition matches on the road at Saint Louis and Murray State this weekend, facing the Billikens on Friday evening at 7 p.m. before squaring off against the Racers in a Sunday matinee battle at 1 p.m.

The Lady Toppers split their exhibition tilts last year, falling in a 2-1 battle against Northern Kentucky at the WKU Soccer Complex before rebounding with a 2-0 win at Xavier. WKU has never faced Saint Louis in a regular season matchup and leads Murray State 4-1 in the all-time series between the two sides. The Lady Toppers and Racers most recently met on Sept. 12, 2008, in a 4-0 victory for WKU in Nashville, Tenn.

WKU ended the 2016 slate with an 12-6-1 record and finished third in the final C-USA standings, the program’s best finish since joining the conference prior to the 2014 season. WKU pushed eventual C-USA Tournament champion Charlotte to the brink in the C-USA Quarterfinals, but the 49ers prevailed in penalty kicks. WKU’s 12 victories in 2016 were its most in a single season since 2012 and marked the program’s 13th season with double-digit wins in 16 years of existence.

Leading scorer and preseason All-C-USA selection Chandler Backes returns for her sophomore season on The Hill after enjoying one of the finest freshman seasons in school history. The Carmel, Ind., native became just the fifth player in WKU history to record double-digit goals in a single season and finished with 21 total points, tied for the eighth-most in one season and the most by any player since Amanda Buechel notched 24 points in 2012.

Also back for the Lady Toppers are Sarah Gorham and Bria Mosley, who each tallied four goals during the 2016 season, as well as holding midfielder Nicole Roseland, who was tabbed a preseason all-conference selection after earning First Team honors last year.

In goal, Allison Leone is back for her senior season after serving as WKU’s primary goalkeeper over the last three years. Leone owns a career 0.99 goals against average with 22 solo shutouts, both of which rank second all-time among WKU goalkeepers. In Leone’s 5,165 minutes between the posts, she has collected 30 victories and come up with 225 saves to rank third in each category in the record book.

WKU will also see the debut of its seven-member freshman class in this weekend’s exhibitions. The Lady Toppers lost five players to graduation who started 12 or more contests last season and will be looking for immediate impacts from their newcomers this season. Transfer goalkeeper Anne-Marie Ulliac, who starred for two seasons at Adelphi University, rounds out WKU’s group of newcomers.

Saint Louis closed out its 2016 campaign with a 14-4-2 record and a perfect 9-0-0 mark on its home field. First Team All-Atlantic 10 goalkeeper Mary Niehaus returns for the Billikens after playing every minute last season with a 0.82 goals against average and 63 saves with nine solo shutouts. Leading scorer Danielle Tolmait (10 goals, three assists) is no longer with the team, and Saint Louis returns just two of its top five point-scorers from a year ago in Lindsay Sands (12 points) and Alyssa Seitzer (11). Friday’s match is the lone exhibition of the season for the Billikens.

Murray State enters 2017 as the preseason favorite to win the Ohio Valley Conference and has not suffered a loss in conference play (15-0-3) over the last two seasons. Harriet Withers, a two-time Offensive Player of the Year in the OVC, is back after scoring eight goals and 20 points for the Racers last season, while Murray State returns four of its top five scorers overall. In goal, Alex Steigerwald served as the Racers’ primary starter in 2016, allowing 20 goals across 1,435 minutes of action.

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WKU DROPS EXHIBITION OPENER AT SAINT LOUIS, 4-0
PDF Box Score Attached

Murray State Live Stats: stats.statbroadcast.com/broadcast/?id=182723

ST. LOUIS – WKU dropped a 4-0 decision in its 2017 exhibition opener at Saint Louis on Friday evening as the Billikens scored two goals in each half at Hermann Stadium.

A total of 20 different Lady Toppers saw at least 14 minutes of action in Friday’s match, including five freshmen who were making their debut for the squad. Victoria Mayo and Ashley Leonard each drew the start in their first collegiate match, while Deven Jackson, Avery Jacobsen and Tally Bishop came in as reserves off the bench for WKU.

Senior goalkeeper Allison Leone played just over 76 minutes before being relieved between the posts by Keely Vincent for the final 14 minutes of action. Leone totaled six saves on the night, while Saint Louis goalkeeper Mary Niehaus held the Lady Toppers scoreless in her 79 minutes in net.

Six different Lady Toppers registered a shot, and sophomore Chandler Backes put an attempt on frame for WKU in the 46th minute just after the halftime break.

WKU weathered an early offensive push from the Billikens over the first 20 minutes. Saint Louis notched the first four shots of the game, including two attempts in the 14th minute that nearly found the back of the net. Leone made the save on Megan Nixon’s first chance, while a Lady Topper defender knocked away Maddie Pokorny’s follow-up off the rebound.

The Billikens carried a 2-0 lead into the halftime break on the strength of two goals in the 22nd and 29th minutes. Evie Lavelle tallied the first for Saint Louis, while Alyssa Seitzer found the back of the net just seven minutes later.

Backes came out of the halftime break firing for the Lady Toppers, nearly pulling a goal back just a few seconds into the second half. An Andrea Larsen corner kick one minute later gave WKU another chance, but the Lady Toppers could not convert the set piece into a goal.

An unassisted strike by Lindsay Sands in the 50th minute and a final goal from Olivia Petit at the 67:15 mark reached the final 4-0 scoreline for the match.

WKU will return to action on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. as the Lady Toppers close out their exhibition slate with a trip to Murray State. The two sides have met five times during the regular season in program history with WKU holding a 4-1 edge, including a 4-0 victory in the most recent meeting on Sept. 12, 2008.

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Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 WKU Soccer
WKU vs Saint Louis (Aug 11, 2017 at St. Louis, Missouri)

WKU vs. Saint Louis

Date: Aug 11, 2017 • Attendance: • Weather: 

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19 | DHEEL, Shayna | - | - | - | - | 43 |
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Timekeeper: SLU Media Relations; Scorer: SLU Media Relations;
Offsides: WKU 4, Saint Louis 0.

Official's signature
WKU vs Saint Louis (Aug 11, 2017 at St. Louis, Missouri)

WKU Starters:
1 LEONE, Allison
2 CHUA, Hannah
3 MAYO, Victoria
5 BACKES, Chandler
7 LEOONARD, Ashley
9 MORRIS, Megan
10 GORHAM, Sarah
14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
15 JALAJEL, Nahyo
17 BRAGADO, Christina
33 ROSELAND, Nicole

Saint Louis Starters:
GK 1 NIEHAUS, Mary
D 2 KLUG, Alli
D 3 REAM, Molly
MF 4 POKORNY, Maddie
MF 5 REIMER, Courtney
MF 8 FARLEY, Emma
MF 9 TONDL, Lauren
F 10 NIXON, Megan
D 12 HALVERSON, Brionna
MF 15 PETIT, Olivia
D 19 PALAZZOLO, Isabella

00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
00:00 NIEHAUS, Mary at goalie for Saint Louis.
Foul on Saint Louis.
Foul on Saint Louis.
07:05 Shot by SLU POKORNY, Maddie WIDE.
13:32 Shot by SLU NIXON, Megan, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
13:35 Shot by SLU POKORNY, Maddie, SAVE TEAM.
15:15 Offside against WKU.
15:49 Shot by SLU NIXON, Megan WIDE.
18:33 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah BLOCKED.
21:15 Corner kick by SLU POKORNY, Maddie [21:15].
21:21 SLU substitution: SEITZER, Alyssa for FARLEY, Emma.
21:21 SLU substitution: SANDS, Lindsay for NIXON, Megan.
21:21 SLU substitution: LAVELLE, Evie for TONDL, Lauren.
21:40 GOAL by SLU LAVELLE, Evie (FIRST GOAL), Assist by SEITZER, Alyssa.

WKU 0, SAINT LOUIS 1

* 21:43 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
21:43 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for MORRIS, Megan.
21:43 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for LEOONARD, Ashley.
21:43 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
25:38 Offside against WKU.
26:27 Shot by SLU POKORNY, Maddie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
28:25 GOAL by SLU SEITZER, Alyssa, Assist by REIMER, Courtney.

WKU 0, SAINT LOUIS 2

* 28:36 SLU substitution: PETERSON, Julia for HALVERSON, Brionna.
Foul on Saint Louis.
32:08 Header Shot by SLU LAVELLE, Evie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on WKU.
36:35 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for GORHAM, Sarah.
36:35 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for JACKSON, Deven.
36:35 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for BACKES, Chandler.
36:35 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MAYO, Victoria.
38:07 Shot by SLU LAVELLE, Evie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
37:51 Shot by SLU SEITZER, Alyssa BLOCKED.
38:02 Shot by SLU POKORNY, Maddie WIDE.
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
WKU vs Saint Louis (Aug 11, 2017 at St. Louis, Missouri)

38:21  Offside against WKU.
42:57  Shot by SLU SEITZER, Alyssa WIDE.
45:00  End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Saint Louis (Aug 11, 2017 at St. Louis, Missouri)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For SLU: #1 NIEHAUS, Mary, #3 REAM, Molly, #28 PETERSON, Julia, #2 KLUG, Alli, #9 TONDL, Lauren, #7 SEITZER, Alyssa, #14 LAVELLE, Evie, #15 PETIT, Olivia, #19 PALAZZOLO, Isabella, #12 HALVERSON, Brionna, #16 SANDS, Lindsay.
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #4 LARSEN, Andrea, #2 CHUA, Hannah.
45:04 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE NIEHAUS, Mary.
46:10 Corner kick by WKU LARSEN, Andrea [46:10].
49:00 GOAL by SLU SANDS, Lindsay.

WKU 0, SAINT LOUIS 3

* 55:31 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE.
55:37 SLU substitution: NIXON, Megan for SANDS, Lindsay.
58:28 Offside against WKU.
59:13 SLU substitution: FARLEY, Emma for PALAZZOLO, Isabella.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on Saint Louis.
Foul on Saint Louis.
65:33 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
65:33 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for CHUA, Hannah.
65:33 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
65:33 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for LARSEN, Andrea.
Foul on Saint Louis.
67:15 Shot by SLU SEITZER, Alyssa, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
67:15 GOAL by SLU PETIT, Olivia, Assist by SEITZER, Alyssa.

WKU 0, SAINT LOUIS 4

* 67:40 SLU substitution: COX, Haley for PETIT, Olivia.
67:40 SLU substitution: REIMER, Courtney for TONDL, Lauren.
70:55 Corner kick by WKU MAYO, Victoria [70:55].
71:19 Shot by WKU CADY, Hannah WIDE.
74:53 Shot by SLU FARLEY, Emma, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
75:36 SLU substitution: PETIT, Olivia for REAM, Molly.
75:36 SLU substitution: PALAZZOLO, Isabella for HALVERSON, Brionna.
75:36 SLU substitution: SANDS, Lindsay for NIXON, Megan.
75:36 SLU substitution: KUCERA, Karley for LAVELLE, Evie.
76:10 VINCENT, Keely at goalie for WKU.
77:38 SLU substitution: POKORNY, Maddie for FARLEY, Emma.
77:38 SLU substitution: COPELAND, Annabelle for SEITZER, Alyssa.
78:08 Corner kick by SLU POKORNY, Maddie [78:08].
79:28 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
79:28 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
79:40 ZABER, Kat at goalie for Saint Louis.
Foul on Saint Louis.
81:19 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria HIGH.
82:25 Corner kick by SLU COPELAND, Annabelle [82:25].
Foul on Saint Louis.
84:29 Shot by WKU MOSLEY, Bria WIDE.
84:36 SLU substitution: PETERSON, Julia for HALVERSON, Brionna.
86:28 Shot by SLU COX, Haley WIDE.
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Saint Louis (Aug 11, 2017 at St. Louis, Missouri)

Foul on Saint Louis.
90:00  End of period [90:00].

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WKU FALLS 2-0 AT MURRAY STATE IN EXHIBITION FINALE
PDF Box Score Attached

MURRAY, Ky. – WKU closed out its preseason exhibition slate on Sunday afternoon at Murray State’s Cutchin Field, falling 2-0 against the Racers in its final tuneup before the regular season begins next week.

The Lady Toppers had scoring chances throughout the match with five shots on goal, but could not overcome a goal late in each half from Murray State. Like Friday’s match at Saint Louis, the Lady Toppers gained extensive experience throughout their roster with 20 players seeing at least 10 minutes of action. Freshmen Tally Bishop and Avery Jacobsen drew their first collegiate starts, and five of the six freshmen who entered the match saw at least 34 minutes of playing time.

Sarah Gorham played the full 90 minutes for WKU and nearly gave the Lady Toppers an early lead as she put her first effort on frame in the 19th minute. Paige Goodman tallied a pair of shots for WKU, and Nahyo Jalajel, Bria Mosley, Victoria Mayo and Megan Morris each had one shot on goal.

Allison Leone had four saves in just over 78 minutes between the posts for the Lady Toppers, and Keely Vincent made two strong saves while playing the final 12 minutes of the match. Alex Steigerwald started and played 83 minutes for the Racers, making five saves and holding the Lady Toppers without a goal.

WKU came out strong over the opening seven minutes, pressuring Steigerwald into a pair of early saves. The first shot of the afternoon from Mosley nearly gave the Lady Toppers an early lead, and Jalajel’s chance four minutes later forced the keeper into action as well.

The Lady Toppers again had a chance to push ahead in the 26th minute off a corner kick. Lining up her second corner in less than a minute, Mayo found Goodman in space, but the freshman sent her shot just over the crossbar to maintain the deadlock.

Murray State took a 1-0 lead at the 35:03 mark off the foot of Kayla Travis, who collected a deflection inside the box and poked it past Leone to go out front. WKU nearly pulled even just before the halftime break with two chances in the final 20 seconds, but Mayo’s shot was saved and Goodman’s effort went just to the right of the net.

Leone kept the Lady Toppers within one goal with a pair of saves in the second half, including a shot from Murray State’s Aaron Lankster in the 79th minute just before leaving the match. Vincent kept up the strong effort in her 12 minutes of play, twice stopping two-time Ohio Valley Conference Offensive Player of the Year Harriet Withers on shots just two minutes apart.

The Racers tallied their second goal with five seconds remaining in the match on a cross into the box, allowing Karsyn Hasch to score for the final 2-0 decision.

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Soccer Box Score (Final)
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WKU vs Murray St. (Aug 13, 2017 at Murray, Ky.)

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- LEONARD, Ashley - - - 10
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Officials: Referee: Matt Hayes; Asst. Referee: Jessica Medley; Jodi Hitchell;
Timekeeper: Brock Rydecki; Scorer: Morgan Harding;
Offsides: WKU 3, Murray St. 0.
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03:46  Foul on WKU CADY, Hannah against MUR CAIN, Cori.
06:15  Shot by WKU JALAJEL, Nahyo, SAVE STEIGERWALD, Alex.
07:20  Foul on WKU DHEEL, Shayna against MUR KUBIN, Rebecca.
08:02  WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for CADY, Hannah.
08:02  WKU substitution: GOODMAN, Paige for MOSLEY, Bria.
11:16  Shot by MUR WITHERS, Harriet, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
13:41  Corner kick by MUR WITHERS, Harriet, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
15:05  Corner kick by MUR WITHERS, Harriet [15:05].
15:15  Shot by MUR HECKMAN, Izzy BLOCKED.
16:59  Foul on Murray St. WHITE, Destiny against WKU BISHOP, Tally.
18:54  Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE STEIGERWALD, Alex.
22:28  MUR substitution: ASHTON, Caroline for LANKSTER, Aaron.
22:57  Shot by MUR WITHERS, Harriet WIDE LEFT.
23:20  MUR substitution: COOPER, Symone for WHITE, Destiny.
23:20  WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
23:20  WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
24:48  Corner kick by WKU MAYO, Victoria [24:48].
25:43  Corner kick by WKU MAYO, Victoria [25:43].
25:47  Shot by WKU GOODMAN, Paige HIGH.
25:54  WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for BISHOP, Tally.
28:04  MUR substitution: SAMISCH, Allison for WRIGHT, Lyssie.
29:13  MUR substitution: DEVINE, Nyomi for WATFORD, Miyah.
30:33  MUR substitution: TRAVIS, Kayla for KUBIN, Rebecca.
32:12  Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE STEIGERWALD, Alex.
33:31  Corner kick by MUR ASHTON, Caroline [33:11].
33:46  Header Shot by MUR COOPER, Symone, SAVE TEAM.
35:03  GOAL by MUR TRAVIS, Kayla (FIRST GOAL).

**WKU 0, MURRAY ST. 1**

*Poked in off deflection
37:08  Shot by MUR WATFORD, Miyah WIDE LEFT.
38:32  Shot by MUR WITHERS, Harriet HIGH.
41:43  MUR substitution: BROOKS, Katie for WITHERS, Harriet.
42:13  WKU substitution: LARSEN, Andrea for ROSELAND, Nicole.
MUR substitution: FRY, Mazie for WATFORD, Miyah.
Foul on Murray St. SAMISCH, Allison against WKU LARSEN, Andrea.
Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria, SAVE STEIGERWALD, Alex.
Header Shot by WKU GOODMAN, Paige WIDE RIGHT.
End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Murray St. (Aug 13, 2017 at Murray, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For MUR: #2 CAIN, Cori, #4 WHITE, Destiny, #5 WATFORD, Miyah, #6 WRIGHT, Lyssie, #7 DEVINE, Nyomi, #9 LANKSTER, Aaron, #10 HECKMAN, Izzy, #11 HASCH, Karsyn, #12 WITHERS, Harriet, #13 STEIGERWALD, Alex, #20 KUBIN, Rebecca.
45:00 For WKU: #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #4 LARSEN, Andrea, #17 JALAJEL, Christina, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #23 MOSLEY, Bria, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #3 MAYO, Victoria, #1 LEONE, Allison.
45:23 Shot by MUR HECKMAN, Izzy WIDE RIGHT.
51:12 Foul on Murray St. KUBIN, Rebecca against WKU DHEEL, Shayna.
52:49 Header Shot by MUR LANKSTER, Aaron HIGH.
54:22 Foul on Murray St..
57:30 MUR substitution: ASHTON, Caroline for KUBIN, Rebecca.
58:49 Shot by MUR WHITE, Destiny HIGH.
59:45 MUR substitution: COOPER, Symone for WHITE, Destiny.
59:45 MUR substitution: TRAVIS, Kayla for LANKSTER, Aaron.
61:21 Foul on Murray St. TRAVIS, Kayla against WKU ROSELAND, Nicole.
63:52 Shot by MUR CAIN, Cori, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
64:35 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
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65:18 Foul on WKU BISHOP, Tally against MUR COOPER, Symone.
69:51 MUR substitution: SAMISCH, Allison for WRIGHT, Lyssie.
69:51 MUR substitution: KUBIN, Rebecca for WITHERS, Harriet.
71:39 MUR substitution: LANKSTER, Aaron for WATFORD, Miyah.
72:34 Shot by MUR KUBIN, Rebecca BLOCKED.
74:41 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for LEONARD, Ashley.
75:06 Offside against WKU.
78:09 Shot by MUR LANKSTER, Aaron, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
78:26 MUR substitution: WHITE, Destiny for COOPER, Symone.
78:26 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Christina for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
78:26 WKU substitution: VINCENT, Keely for LEONE, Allison.
78:26 VINCENT, Keely at goalie for WKU.
79:21 Offside against WKU.
81:56 Offside against WKU.
83:04 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE LEFT.
83:10 MUR substitution: WATFORD, Miyah for KUBIN, Rebecca.
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83:10 MUR substitution: TELFAIR, Kaylyn for STEIGERWALD, Alex.
83:10 TELFAIR, Kaylyn at goalie for Murray St..
85:36 Foul on Murray St..
85:53 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally WIDE RIGHT.
86:40 Foul on Murray St. WHITE, Destiny against WKU CADY, Hannah.
87:57 Shot by MUR WITHERS, Harriet, SAVE VINCENT, Keely.
89:03 Foul on WKU.
89:29 Shot by MUR WITHERS, Harriet, SAVE VINCENT, Keely.
89:55 Corner kick by MUR ASHTON, Caroline [89:55].
89:55 GOAL by MUR HASCH, Karsyn, Assist by WITHERS, Harriet.

WKU 0, MURRAY ST. 2
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Murray St. (Aug 13, 2017 at Murray, Ky.)

*Cross into goal face, tapped in
90:00 End of period [90:00].

WKU 0, MURRAY ST. 2
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE / August 17, 2017
Women’s Soccer / Contact: Currie McFayden, Associate Director of Athletic Communications/Media Relations

WKU SET TO OPEN REGULAR SEASON WITH VISITS TO LIPSCOMB AND TEXAS
Lipscomb Live Stats: stats.statbroadcast.com/broadcast/?id=179520
Texas Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/texas/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU Soccer will kick off its 2017 regular season campaign this weekend, heading south to face Lipscomb at 7 p.m. on Friday evening before making the long trip to Texas for a 2 p.m. Sunday matinee battle. WKU’s trip to Texas will mark the fifth-longest road trip in program history by mileage, as the two universities sit 920 miles apart.

The Lady Toppers come into the regular season after battling Saint Louis and Murray State in a pair of exhibition tilts last weekend. Despite dropping both contests, WKU gained valuable experience from top to bottom on its roster as four freshmen (Victoria Mayo, Ashley Leonard, Avery Jacobsen and Tally Bishop) drew their first collegiate starts, and six different freshmen saw at least 10 minutes of action in both outings.

WKU returns six starters from a team that posted a 12-6-1 record in 2016 and reached the quarterfinals of the C-USA Tournament before falling to eventual champion Charlotte on its home field. Among the returners are four of the team’s top five point-scorers, including leading scorer Chandler Backes (10 goals, one assist in 2016); also returning for the Lady Toppers are Sarah Gorham (four goals, four assists), Bria Mosley (four goals, one assist) and Hannah Chua (two goals, one assist). WKU’s 31 goals scored during the 2016 season were its most since tallying 35 during the 2012 campaign.

Defensively, Allison Leone returns between the posts for the Lady Toppers and already ranks among the top goalkeepers in program history in nearly every category. Leone made 10 saves in 154 minutes of action in WKU’s two exhibition contests, including a match-high six stops against Saint Louis last Friday evening. The senior enters her final season on The Hill with a 0.99 career goals against average and 22 solo shutouts, both of which rank behind only Libby Stout in school history.

Preseason All-C-USA pick and 2016 First Teamer Nicole Roseland is set to act as an anchor at defensive midfielder for the Lady Toppers and played all but 14 minutes against the Billikens and Racers. Roseland’s minute totals in the exhibitions were matched only by Gorham (172 of a possible 180 minutes played) and Christina Bragado (166 minutes).

WKU will meet Lipscomb for the first time since Aug. 22, 2014, a 2-0 Lady Topper victory in Nashville. The Lady Toppers are a perfect 5-0 in the all-time series against the Bisons and have outscored Lipscomb 17-2 across those five contests. Lipscomb earned victories in both of its exhibition contests, defeating ETSU (3-1) and crosstown rival Belmont (2-0); Ellen Lundy netted a trio of goals for the Bisons in those two matches, and goalkeeper Katie Mason turned in a pair of strong performances, tallying 14 saves while surrendering just one goal across 121 in net.

Sunday’s matchup will mark the first in program history against the Longhorns and will be the first time that WKU has faced a non-conference opponent from the state of Texas since earning a 1-0 win over Stephen F. Austin on Aug. 30, 2015. The Longhorns defeated Incarnate Word, 2-0, in their lone exhibition outing, and are set to face fellow C-USA foe Rice on Friday evening at 7 p.m. Katie Glenn and Cyera Hintzen each found the back of the net once for Texas in its exhibition victory, and Nicole Curry earned the solo shutout with three saves while playing the full 90 minutes in goal.

Following this weekend’s matches, WKU will return to the pitch next Friday, Aug. 25, at 7 p.m. in a road battle at Austin Peay before returning to the WKU Soccer Complex for its 2017 home opener on Sunday, Aug. 27, at 1 p.m. against UT Martin. Tickets for all home matches this season are free for all fans.
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS

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WKU SHUTS OUT LIPSCOMB, 2-0, IN REGULAR SEASON OPENER

PDF Box Score Attached
Texas Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/texas/wsoc/

NASHVILLE, Tenn. – Tally Bishop scored her first collegiate goal less than five minutes into the contest, and sophomore Chandler Backes added the insurance goal for WKU in the second half as the Lady Toppers claimed a 2-0 shutout victory over Lipscomb at the Lipscomb Soccer Complex to open their season on Friday evening.

Bishop, who drew the start in her first official match on The Hill, was set up by Backes and Hannah Chua on the first shot of her career for the early goal. That was one of a team-best three shots for the freshman on the night, tied alongside Sarah Gorham. Chua and Backes also each notched a pair of shots on the night as the Lady Toppers and Bisons were even, 14-14, in attempts.

Olivia Doak led all players with four shots but did not put any on target. Of Lipscomb’s 14 shots on the evening, the stout WKU defense limited them to just three shots on goal.

WKU began the night with an offensive barrage over the opening five minutes of the match, culminating in Bishop’s first collegiate goal at the 4:53 mark off assists from Backes and Chua. Backes forced Mason into action just 44 seconds into the match and Megan Morris sent an attempt just wide three minutes later, but Bishop buried her first career shot to give the Lady Toppers an early 1-0 lead.

Bishop’s opening goal also marked the third straight season that a true freshman has scored in the season opener for WKU. In 2015, Hannah Cady tallied a goal in her first collegiate match against UT Martin, while Backes and Kaylyn Bryant each found the back of the net in their debuts last season, also against the Skyhawks.

Just short of the 20-minute mark, Leone was pressed into her first save of the season against Lipscomb’s Niamh Rawlins and the Lady Toppers immediately went on the counter. Gorham fired a shot just 40 seconds later that Mason saved, and the redshirt junior again found space less than a minute later but sent her attempt just wide of the net.

Brooke Brenner nearly brought the Bisons level in the 41st minute on a strong shot inside the box, but her attempt struck the crossbar and set up a corner kick for Lipscomb. Off the set piece, Doak fired a shot toward the goal but could not keep the attempt low, causing it to sail over the bar and end the offensive threat as WKU carried a 1-0 advantage into the halftime break.

Just like the first half, the Lady Toppers came out hot offensively over the first two minutes out of the break. Bishop’s strong shot was parried away by Mason, and Aleksandra Kozovic took the ensuing corner for the Lady Toppers but could not create a scoring chance.

At the 64:19 mark, WKU doubled its lead off Backes’ strike that was assisted by Bishop for her third point of the evening. Pressured by another WKU shot on goal from Nahyo Jalajel just two minutes earlier, Mason could not get in position to make the save as Backes netted her 11th career goal to double the WKU advantage to 2-0.

Lipscomb nearly responded just 40 seconds later with a shot from Natalie DuBoise, but Leone stepped up for her final save of the night to preserve the shutout victory. WKU’s defense held the Bisons without a shot on goal over the final 25 minutes to push the team to its season-opening victory.

WKU will return to action on Sunday afternoon at 2 p.m. as the Lady Toppers make the long trip west to face Texas. The meeting will be the first in program history between the two sides and is the fifth-longest road trip by mileage in school history at 920 miles. The Longhorns defeated Rice, 2-1, in their season opener on Friday evening behind goals from Haley Berg and Cyera Hintzen.

The Lady Toppers will play their first home match of 2017 at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27, against UT Martin at the WKU Soccer Complex. For the 2017 season, all fans of WKU Soccer will receive free admission to all nine home matches, including five C-USA tilts later in the season.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
WKU vs Lipscomb (Aug 18, 2017 at Nashville, Tenn.)

WKU (1-0) vs.
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Cautions and ejections:

YC-LIP #16 (72:59)

Win-LEONE, Allison (1-0). Loss-MASON, Kate (0-1).
Stadium: Lipscomb Soccer Comp
Officials: Referee: Esteban Eordogh; Asst. Referee: Lucy Bell; Skyye Medley;
Offsides: WKU 2, Lipscomb 2.

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Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
WKU vs Lipscomb (Aug 18, 2017 at Nashville, Tenn.)

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00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
00:00 MASON, Kate at goalie for Lipscomb.
00:44 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE MASON, Kate.
03:30 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan WIDE.
04:53 GOAL by WKU BISHOP, Tally (FIRST GOAL), Assist by BACKES, Chandler and CHUA, Hannah, goal number 1 for season.

**WKU 1, LIPSCOMB 0**

* Foul on Lipscomb.
09:35 Offside against WKU.
12:18 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE MASON, Kate.
14:12 Corner kick by LIP BRENNER, Brooke [14:12].
19:35 Corner kick by LIP DUBOISE, Natalie [19:35].
19:49 Shot by LIP RAWLINS, Niamh, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
20:28 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE MASON, Kate.
20:49 Shot by LIP DOAK, Olivia BLOCKED.
21:22 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE.
23:27 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
23:27 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
23:27 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for BISHOP, Tally.
23:27 LIP substitution: GILMORE, Selah for TORBETT, Hannah.
25:08 Header Shot by LIP LUNDY, Ellen WIDE.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on WKU.
29:29 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah HIGH.
29:34 WKU substitution: LARSEN, Andrea for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
30:44 Corner kick by LIP CERNICKY, Leah [30:44].
30:49 Header Shot by LIP LUNDY, Ellen HIGH.
32:57 Corner kick by LIP DUBOISE, Natalie [32:57].
34:40 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BACKES, Chandler.
34:40 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
37:27 Shot by LIP DOAK, Olivia WIDE.
37:31 LIP substitution: MILLER, Paige for CERNICKY, Leah.
40:53 Shot by LIP BRENNER, Brooke HIT CROSSBAR.
41:21 Corner kick by LIP ABARCA, Jade [41:21].
41:22 Shot by LIP DOAK, Olivia HIGH.
42:17 Offside against Lipscomb.
43:17 Shot by LIP GILMORE, Selah WIDE.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Lipscomb (Aug 18, 2017 at Nashville, Tenn.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #5 BACKES, Chandler, #1 LEONE, Allison, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #15 JALAEL, Nahyo, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #10 GORHAM, Sarah.
45:00 For LIP: #1 MASON, Kate, #19 LUNDY, Ellen, #18 GILMORE, Selah, #12 BRENNER, Brooke, #5 CERNICKY, Leah, #24 ECK, Hailey, #9 DOAK, Olivia, #21 ABARCA, Jade, #3 BAILEY, Justis, #14 RAWLINS, Niamh, #16 DUBOISE, Natalie.
45:58 Header Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah WIDE.
46:41 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE MASON, Kate.
47:06 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [47:06].
47:39 Offside against WKU.
49:07 Shot by LIP ECHOLS, Kaitlin WIDE.
Foul on WKU.
51:39 Corner kick by LIP DUBOISE, Natalie [51:39].
Foul on Lipscomb.
55:57 Corner kick by LIP CERNICKY, Leah [55:57].
56:05 Shot by LIP ABARCA, Jade HIGH.
60:54 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [60:54].
Foul on WKU.
61:30 LIP substitution: PARKER, Alliyah for GILMORE, Selah.
Foul on Lipscomb.
62:59 Shot by WKU JALAEL, Nahyo, SAVE MASON, Kate.
63:03 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAEL, Nahyo.
63:28 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [63:28].
64:19 GOAL by WKU BACKES, Chandler, Assist by BISHOP, Tally.

WKU 2, LIPSCOMB 0

* 64:58 Shot by LIP DUBOISE, Natalie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
65:25 Corner kick by LIP DUBOISE, Natalie [65:25].
65:31 Shot by LIP RAWLINS, Niamh BLOCKED.
65:43 Shot by LIP DOAK, Olivia BLOCKED.
65:54 Corner kick by LIP CERNICKY, Leah [65:54].
65:55 LIP substitution: MILLER, Paige for CERNICKY, Leah.
66:17 Shot by LIP ECK, Hailey, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
67:00 Offside against Lipscomb.
Foul on WKU.
69:29 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE MASON, Kate.
71:32 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
71:32 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for BISHOP, Tally.
71:32 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
71:32 LIP substitution: TORBETT, Hannah for ABARCA, Jade.
71:32 LIP substitution: GILMORE, Selah for LUNDY, Ellen.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on Lipscomb.
72:59 Yellow card on LIP DUBOISE, Natalie.
73:30 WKU substitution: JALAEL, Nahyo for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
76:13 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna BLOCKED.
80:51 WKU substitution: CERNICKY, Leah for MILLER, Paige.
80:51 LIP substitution: CERNICKY, Leah for MILLER, Paige.
80:51 LIP substitution: ABARCA, Jade for TORBETT, Hannah.
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Foul on WKU.
84:08 LIP substitution: ECHOLS, Kaitlin for ECK, Hailey.
Foul on Lipscomb.
86:21 WKU substitution: GOODMAN, Paige for MOSLEY, Bria.
86:21 WKU substitution: LARSEN, Andrea for CHUA, Hannah.
Foul on WKU.
88:24 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria WIDE.
90:00 End of period [90:00].

WKU 2, LIPSCOMB 0
AUSTIN, Texas — WKU held Texas off the board over the final 45 minutes on Sunday afternoon at Mike A. Myers Stadium, but two first-half goals from the Longhorns were the difference as the Lady Toppers dropped a 2-0 decision to close the opening weekend of play of the 2017 season.

Goalkeeper Allison Leone turned in a strong performance with nine saves on the afternoon, falling just shy of her career-best mark of 11 stops against Sacred Heart as a freshman on Sept. 14, 2014. Seven of Leone’s stops came in the opening 45 minutes of play as she kept the Lady Toppers within striking distance of the Longhorns throughout the match.

Hannah Chua and Christina Bragado each played the full 90 minutes in the field for WKU, and Nicole Roseland registered her first shot of the season in the 61st minute of play. For Texas, Amber Stearns and Katie Glenn each tallied four shots, while Stearns and Emily Strouphauer found the back of the net for the Longhorns.

Leone was forced into action early in the match, making three saves over the first 15 minutes as the Longhorns fired the first seven shots of the afternoon. Despite three corner kick opportunities over that same frame, the WKU defense held strong and did not allow the early breakthrough for Texas.

Texas’ Stearns broke the deadlock in the 19th minute, heading home a cross from the left wing set up by a corner kick. Glenn and Kayra Dollas picked up the assists on the goal as the Lady Toppers fell behind 1-0.

WKU sought to battle back and again held Texas off the board for more than 20 minutes, but Strouphauer doubled the Longhorns’ advantage with just over three minutes remaining before the halftime break on a strong shot from outside the box. Despite 14 shots from Texas in the first half, WKU entered the locker room trailing only 2-0.

Over the final 45 minutes, Leone again came up big for the Lady Toppers, parrying away two attempts on goal as the WKU defense limited the Longhorns to just seven shots. WKU could not convert its opportunity off Roseland’s attempt in the 61st minute, however, and could not trim the deficit in the second half of the 2-0 setback.

WKU will be back on the pitch next Friday evening at 7 p.m. as the Lady Toppers close out their season-opening road swing at Austin Peay. WKU owns a 7-0-1 all-time record against the Lady Govs, including a dramatic 2-1 victory in Bowling Green on Sept. 2, 2016, last season that saw Bria Mosley score the match-winning goal just 14 seconds into the first overtime period.

The Lady Toppers will play their first home match of 2017 at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Aug. 27, against UT Martin at the WKU Soccer Complex. For the 2017 season, all fans of WKU Soccer will receive free admission to all nine home matches, including five C-USA tilts later in the season.
# Soccer Box Score (Final)
## 2017 Lady Topper Soccer
### WKU vs Texas (Aug 20, 2017 at Austin, Texas)

**WKU (1-1-0) vs. Texas (2-0-0)**

**Date:** Aug 20, 2017  •  **Attendance:** 313  
**Weather:**

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- Win-Curry, Nicole (2-0-0).
- Loss-LEONE, Allison (1-1-0).

**Stadium:** Mike A Myers Stadium  
**Officials:** Referee: Adrian Gonzalez; Asst. Referee: Jeff Crank; Jerome Schoch; Alt. Official: Andrew Wilson; Timekeeper: Jordan Hunter; Scorer: Keri Burns; Offsides: WKU 9, Texas 4.

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**Official's signature**
**WKU vs Texas (Aug 20, 2017 at Austin, Texas)**

**WKU Starters:**
- GK 1 LEONE, Allison
- MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
- F 5 BACKES, Chandler
- D 9 MORRIS, Megan
- MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah
- D 14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
- D 15 JALAJEL, Nahyo
- MF 17 BRAGADO, Christina
- F 25 BISHOP, Tally
- D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
- MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole

**Texas Starters:**
- GK 23 Curry, Nicole
- M 2 Berg, Haley
- D 4 Billups, Cydney
- D 9 Surpris, Chelsea
- F 13 Hintzen, Cyera
- M 16 Dollas, Kayra
- M 17 Stearns, Amber
- D 20 Mshana, Atu
- D 24 Jett, Emma
- F 25 Glenn, Katie
- F 6 Flores, Mikayla

00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
00:00 Curry, Nicole at goalie for Texas.
03:17 Shot by UT Hintzen, Cyera, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
04:04 Corner kick by UT Glenn, Katie [04:04].
04:10 Shot by UT Stearns, Amber BLOCKED.
04:55 Offside against WKU.
06:09 Shot by UT Flores, Mikayla, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
06:31 Corner kick by UT Glenn, Katie [06:31].
09:35 Corner kick by UT Glenn, Katie [09:35].
09:50 Shot by UT Glenn, Katie HIT CROSSBAR.
09:57 Shot by UT Stearns, Amber WIDE.
11:38 Shot by UT Dollas, Kayra BLOCKED.
14:42 Shot by UT Glenn, Katie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
15:52 Offside against Texas.
16:29 Offside against WKU.
18:12 Corner kick by UT Glenn, Katie [18:12].
18:22 Header GOAL by UT Stearns, Amber (FIRST GOAL), Assist by Glenn, Katie and Dollas, Kayra, goal number 1 for season.

**WKU 0, TEXAS 1**

*cross from the left wing, headed home from 17 from 9 yards
Foul on WKU.
Foul on Texas.
24:37 UT substitution: Adams, Alexa for Flores, Mikayla.
24:37 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
18:22 Offside against WKU.
18:22 Offside against WKU.
27:42 Offside against Texas.
28:05 Offside against WKU.
28:54 UT substitution: Strouphauer, Emily for Berg, Haley.
28:54 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
32:27 UT substitution: Turner, Tecora for Billups, Cydney.
32:27 WKU substitution: JACOBSSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
Foul on WKU.
34:02 Shot by UT Adams, Alexa, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
34:31 Corner kick by UT Glenn, Katie [34:31].
35:06 Corner kick by UT Jett, Emma [35:06].
35:12 Shot by UT Glenn, Katie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on Texas.
38:08 Offside against WKU.
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38:18 UT substitution: Graham, Nakia for Glenn, Katie.
38:18 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CADY, Hannah.
38:18 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
Foul on WKU.
41:53 Shot by UT Strouphauer, Emily, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
42:18 GOAL by UT Strouphauer, Emily, goal number 1 for season.

WKU 0, TEXAS 2
*dribble through defender and ripped from 28yards
43:50 Corner kick by UT Strouphauer, Emily [43:50].
43:58 Shot by UT Stearns, Amber BLOCKED.
44:11 Header Shot by UT Dallas, Kayra, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
42:18 UT substitution: Currie, Taylor for Hintzen, Cyera.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Texas (Aug 20, 2017 at Austin, Texas)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].

45:00 For UT: #23 Curry, Nicole, #2 Berg, Haley, #3 Strouphauer, Emily, #9 Surpris, Chelsea, #20 Mshana, Atu, #24 Jett, Emma, #16 Dollas, Kayra, #17 Stearns, Amber, #25 Glenn, Katie, #11 Graham, Nakia, #4 Billups, Cydney.

45:00 For WKU: #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #1 LEONE, Allison.

46:19 Offside against Texas.

49:14 Shot by UT Berg, Haley WIDE.

52:43 Shot by UT Graham, Nakia WIDE.

53:39 Offside against Texas.

56:34 UT substitution: Hintzen, Cyera for Billups, Cydney.

56:34 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.

56:34 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.

58:25 Corner kick by UT Jett, Emma [58:25].

58:37 UT substitution: Currie, Taylor for Strouphauer, Emily.

58:37 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for GORHAM, Sarah.

Foul on Texas.

60:57 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole WIDE.


61:38 Offside against WKU.

63:02 Shot by UT Glenn, Katie WIDE.

65:35 Shot by UT Hintzen, Cyera WIDE.


66:26 UT substitution: Strouphauer, Emily for Glenn, Katie.

66:47 Shot by UT Strouphauer, Emily BLOCKED.

Foul on WKU.

69:22 Shot by UT Adams, Alexa, SAVE LEONE, Allison.

70:15 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for MAYO, Victoria.

Foul on WKU.

71:30 UT substitution: Jett, Emma for Adams, Alexa.

73:21 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for DHEEL, Shayna.

73:21 WKU substitution: GORHAM, Sarah for ROSELAND, Nicole.

73:21 UT substitution: Flores, Mikayla for Hintzen, Cyera.


74:29 Shot by UT Turner, Tecora, SAVE LEONE, Allison.

75:08 Corner kick by UT Jett, Emma [75:08].

75:50 UT substitution: Billups, Cydney for Dollas, Kayra.

Foul on Texas.

76:42 Offside against WKU.

77:44 UT substitution: Glenn, Katie for Stearns, Amber.

77:44 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for BISHOP, Tally.

77:44 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.

77:44 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for BRYANT, Kaylyn.

Foul on Texas.

Foul on WKU.

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80:53 UT substitution: Currie, Taylor for Flores, Mikayla.

80:53 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.

80:53 WKU substitution: ROSELAND, Nicole for JACKSON, Deven.

Foul on Texas.

86:50 Offside against WKU.

87:39 UT substitution: Dorsett, Maddie for Billups, Cydney.
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Texas (Aug 20, 2017 at Austin, Texas)

90:00   End of period [90:00].

WKU 0, TEXAS 2
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE / August 24, 2017
Women’s Soccer / Contact: Currie McFayden, Associate Director of Athletic Communications/Media Relations

WKU VISITS AUSTIN PEAY FRIDAY, HOSTS UT MARTIN IN HOME OPENER SUNDAY AFTERNOON

Austin Peay Live Stats: stats.statbroadcast.com/broadcast/?id=183224
Austin Peay Live Stream (OVC Digital Network): ovcdigitalnetwork.com/watch/?Live=5655&sport=10&type=Live
UT Martin Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – After splitting a pair of matches in its opening weekend of play, WKU will round out a three-match road trip at Austin Peay on Friday evening at 7 p.m. before returning to the friendly confines of the WKU Soccer Complex for its 2017 home opener against UT Martin on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. As with all home matches this season, admission will be free for all fans for Sunday afternoon’s bout.

The first 250 fans in attendance at WKU’s home opener on Sunday afternoon will receive a free schedule magnet featuring the full 2017 schedule, including all nine home matches at the WKU Soccer Complex. The Lady Toppers claimed a 2-0 shutout victory in their season opener at Lipscomb last Friday, but fell by the same scoreline on a long road trip to Texas on Sunday afternoon in their opening action of the 2017 campaign. Tally Bishop and Chandler Backes each netted goals against the Bisons last Friday, while Preseason All-C-USA goalkeeper Allison Leone made a combined 12 saves while earning her 23rd career solo shutout.

Bishop’s goal against Lipscomb came less than five minutes into her collegiate career on The Hill and marked the third consecutive season in which a true freshman has scored a goal in the team’s season opener. In 2015, Hannah Cady found the back of the net against UT Martin in a 3-1 victory, and both Backes and Kaylyn Bryant scored against the Skyhawks in WKU’s 7-1 win to open the 2016 season. Six different freshmen saw action for the Lady Toppers across their first two matches, as Bishop, Victoria Mayo, Avery Jacobsen, Deven Jackson, Ashley Leonard and Paige Goodman all made their collegiate regular season debuts. Bishop saw the most extensive action with 128 minutes of playing time, and Jacobsen (95 minutes), Jackson (58) and Mayo (48) each played for more than a half between the two outings.

WKU will look to maintain a stellar record in home openers on Sunday afternoon and owns a 13-3 overall record in such matches in its 16-year history. The Lady Toppers have won each of their last three home openers dating back to 2014 and will be seeking their first shutout in a home opener since a 1-0 victory over Mercer on Aug. 24, 2014. Like WKU, Austin Peay also posted a 1-1 record in its first two matches, dropping a close 3-2 decision against Chattanooga in its season opener before rebounding with a 2-1 road victory at Middle Tennessee in double overtime. The Lady Govs’ four goals have each been scored by a different player, with McKenzie Dixon, Renee Semaan, Kirstin Robertson and Claire Larose each finding the back of the net one time. Dixon and Semaan have also tallied one assist apiece to lead the team with three points, and Robertson has put six of her eight shots on goal to lead Austin Peay in both categories.

Between the posts, Lindsey Todd has played every minute for the Lady Govs, making five saves but surrendering four goals for a 1.89 goals against average.

In the most recent meeting between the two sides, WKU captured a thrilling 2-1 victory over Austin Peay in Bowling Green last season as Bria Mosley tallied the match-winner just 14 seconds into the first overtime period. The then-junior jumped on a loose ball inside the box and converted her chance to the low left corner to give the Lady Toppers the victory.
WKU owns a near-perfect 7-0-1 record all-time against Austin Peay and has outscored the Lady Govs 22-5 across the eight matches; Austin Peay has never scored more than once in a single match against the Lady Toppers.

UT Martin enters the weekend with a 1-1 record and will face UAB on Friday evening before making the trip to Bowling Green for Sunday’s match. The Skyhawks took down Marshall, 4-1, in their season opener, but were tripped up in a 2-1 loss at Evansville on Sunday. Danae Kaldaridou leads UT Martin with five points (two goals, one assist), and Katelyn Colvin, Nicole Collins and Kaci Mitchell have each scored once for the Skyhawks. Kaldaridou’s eight shots (five on goal) lead the team through two matches.

Erica Myers has played the full 180 minutes in goal for UT Martin, allowing three goals and making three saves for a 1.50 goals against average.

The Lady Toppers have won both meetings against the Skyhawks in program history, claiming a 3-1 win to open the season in 2015 and a 7-1 victory in last year’s season opener. WKU’s seven goals against UT Martin last season were its fourth-most in a single match in school history and the most since the Lady Toppers found the back of the net nine times against Morehead State on Sept. 8, 2002.

Sunday’s outing will kick off a four-match homestand for the Lady Toppers, who will return to action against Evansville on Sunday, Sept. 3 at 6 p.m. following this weekend’s tilts. Last season, WKU posted a 7-2-0 record at the WKU Soccer Complex and is 13-5-2 over its last 20 home matches dating back to the 2014 season.
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE / August 25, 2017
Women’s Soccer / Contact: Currie McFayden, Associate Director of Athletic Communications/Media Relations

WKU FALLS 2-1 AT AUSTIN PEAY TO CLOSE SEASON-OPENING ROAD SWING

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn. – Sophomore Chandler Backes tallied her second goal of the season on a penalty kick early in the second half, but WKU could not overcome a pair of second-half goals from Austin Peay at the Morgan Brothers Soccer Field on Friday evening in a 2-1 setback.

After registering just two shots in the opening 45 minutes of play, WKU’s offense came alive in the second half, tallying seven shots as the Lady Toppers applied pressure during the search for an equalizer. Backes finished with a match-high four shots, and five other Lady Toppers recorded one on the evening, including Paige Goodman’s near-goal at the end of the first half.

Backes’ penalty kick goal for the Lady Toppers was the program’s first since Oct. 18, 2015, when former player Olivia Fitzgerald scored from the spot in a 3-1 victory at Charlotte. The goal was also Backes’ 12th of her career in just 22 matches on The Hill.

Allison Leone played the full 90 minutes in goal for WKU, notching three saves on the night. For Austin Peay, Mary Parker Powell manned the posts for the full match, allowing the penalty kick goal and making one stop.

Neither side could create an offensive opportunity over the opening 15 minutes of the match until the Lady Govs’ Claire Larose broke free up the left side on a counterattack. Faced with a one-on-one situation, Leone stonewalled Larose’s attempt and kept the match level early in the first half.

Just before the halftime break, Goodman nearly scored her first collegiate goal that would have sent the Lady Toppers into the locker room with a one-goal edge. The Lake Orion, Mich., native tried to chip a shot over Powell from inside the box and managed to sneak the attempt just under the crossbar, but the Austin Peay goalkeeper corralled the shot to send the two sides into the break in a scoreless tie.

Backes put the Lady Toppers in front with her first collegiate penalty kick at the 48:40 mark. Freshman Victoria Mayo drew the foul after being brought down hard on the right side of the box, and Backes buried the attempt from the spot past Powell to give WKU a 1-0 lead just under four minutes into the second half.

Austin Peay responded with an equalizer two and a half minutes later off the foot of Kirstin Robertson. Set up by a cross from Morgan Jackson on the left side, Robertson narrowly beat Leone to pull the Lady Govs even in the 52nd minute of play.

After Shelby Stewart’s penalty kick goal gave Austin Peay a 2-1 lead in the 72nd minute, WKU poured on the offensive pressure over the next 15 minutes in an attempt to pull even. Kaylyn Bryant’s blast over the crossbar in the 82nd minute, created off an Aleksandra Kozovic corner, nearly leveled the match, while both Mayo and Backes each had chances blocked by defenders.

In the final minute of the match, Backes had a chance from a tough angle blocked away, and Nicole Roseland’s corner kick from the right side could not connect with a target in the box as time expired.

WKU will return to action on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. against UT Martin for its first home match of the season at the WKU Soccer Complex. Admission for all home matches is free this season, and the first 250 fans in attendance on Sunday will receive a free WKU Soccer schedule magnet detailing all nine home dates. The Lady Toppers sport a perfect 2-0 record against the Skyhawks with victories in each of the last two seasons and will be looking to maintain their stellar 13-3 overall record in home openers in program history.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
WKU vs Austin Peay (Aug 25, 2017 at Clarksville, Tenn.)

WKU (1-2-0) vs.
Austin Peay (2-1-0)

Date: Aug 25, 2017 • Attendance: 421
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YC-APSU #15 (88:05)

Win-POWELL, Mary Parker (1-0-0). Loss-LEONE, Allison (1-2-0).

Stadium: Morgan Bros. Field

Officials: Referee: James Sherer; Asst. Referee: Timothy Stewart; John Rafter;

Timekeeper: Ben Goodman; Scorer: Colby Wilson;

Offsides: WKU 6, Austin Peay 0.

Austin Peay moves to 11-5-0 in home openers

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Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
WKU vs Austin Peay (Aug 25, 2017 at Clarksville, Tenn.)

**WKU Starters:**
- GK 1 LEONE, Allison
- M 2 CHUA, Hannah
- D 5 BACKES, Chandler
- M 10 GORHAM, Sarah
- D 12 JACOBSEN, Avery
- D 14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
- M 17 BRAGADO, Christina
- F 19 DHEEL, Shayna
- F 25 BISHOP, Tally
- D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
- F 33 ROSELAND, Nicole

**Austin Peay Starters:**
- GK 1 POWELL, Mary Parker
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- M 9 ROTH, Gybson
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- F 21 JACKSON, Morgan
- M 22 FABBRO, Sophia

00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
00:00 POWELL, Mary Parker at goalie for Austin Peay.
08:36 Corner kick by WKU DHEEL, Shayna [08:36].
Foul on WKU.
11:15 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE.
12:21 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [12:21].
16:01 Shot by APSU LAROSE, Claire, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
19:15 APSU substitution: STEWART, Shelby for JACKSON, Morgan.
Foul on Austin Peay.
21:33 Offside against WKU.
22:23 APSU substitution: WHITTAKE, Ashley for FABBRO, Sophia.
24:05 Shot by APSU ROBERTSON, Kirstin, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on Austin Peay.
27:20 APSU substitution: SMITH, Jennifer for ROBERTSON, Kirstin.
27:20 APSU substitution: FISHER, Melody for ROTH, Gybson.
27:20 WKU substitution: CODY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
30:32 Shot by APSU WHITTAKE, Ashley WIDE.
32:46 Offside against WKU.
35:00 WKU substitution: LARSEN, Andrea for GORHAM, Sarah.
40:20 APSU substitution: DRAWDY, Morgan for LAROSE, Claire.
40:20 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.
40:20 WKU substitution: GOODMAN, Paige for CODY, Hannah.
43:31 Shot by WKU GOODMAN, Paige, SAVE POWELL, Mary Parker.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Austin Peay (Aug 25, 2017 at Clarksville, Tenn.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].

45:00 For APSU: #1 POWELL, Mary Parker, #6 DRAWDY, Morgan, #19 DIXON, McKenzie, #21 JACKSON, Morgan, #10 PENALOZA, Pamela, #28 COSTANTINO, Katie, #12 SEMAAN, Renee, #15 LAROSE, Claire, #17 THERRELL, Abby, #14 DAURIAT, Jade, #3 ROBERTSON, Kirstin.

45:00 For WKU: #5 BACKES, Chandler, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #3 MAYO, Victoria, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #1 LEONE, Allison. Foul on Austin Peay.

48:40 WKU BACKES, Chandler PENALTY KICK GOAL, goal number 1 for season.

WKU 1, AUSTIN PEAY 0

51:10 Goal by APSU ROBERTSON, Kirstin, Assist by JACKSON, Morgan, goal number 2 for season.

WKU 1, AUSTIN PEAY 1

*Cross from left, right heel
Foul on Austin Peay.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on Austin Peay.
Offside against WKU.

57:38 APSU substitution: STEWART, Shelby for DRAWDY, Morgan.
Foul on WKU.

62:16 Corner kick by APSU PENALOZA, Pamela [62:16].

63:22 Shot by APSU ROBERTSON, Kirstin WIDE.

63:53 APSU substitution: WHITTAKER, Ashley for JACKSON, Morgan.

63:53 WKU substitution: LARSEN, Andrea for CHUA, Hannah.

63:53 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for BISHOP, Tally.

66:19 Corner kick by APSU PENALOZA, Pamela [66:19].
Foul on WKU.

71:53 APSU STEWART, Shelby PENALTY KICK GOAL, goal number 1 for season.

WKU 1, AUSTIN PEAY 2


73:17 Shot by APSU THERRELL, Abby WIDE.

73:33 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for LARSEN, Andrea.

73:33 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MOSLEY, Bria.

73:33 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for BACKES, Chandler.
Foul on Austin Peay.

78:59 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE.

79:10 APSU substitution: JACKSON, Morgan for WHITTAKER, Ashley.

79:48 Shot by APSU PENALOZA, Pamela, SAVE LEONE, Allison.


80:39 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for DHEEL, Shayna.

81:02 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [81:02].

81:08 Shot by WKU BRYANT, Kaylyn HIGH.
Foul on Austin Peay.

82:17 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria HIGH.

83:29 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler BLOCKED.

83:41 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [83:41].

83:49 Header Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah HIGH.
**Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)**
**WKU vs Austin Peay (Aug 25, 2017 at Clarksville, Tenn.)**

84:00  APSU substitution: ROTH, Gybson for DRAWDY, Morgan.
84:30  Shot by APSU ROBERTSON, Kirstin WIDE.
85:29  Offside against WKU.
86:20  Offside against WKU.
87:31  Corner kick by APSU PENALOZA, Pamela [87:31].
88:05  Yellow card on APSU LAROSE, Claire.
       Foul on WKU.
88:33  Offside against WKU.
88:57  Shot by APSU LAROSE, Claire WIDE.
89:12  Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler BLOCKED.
89:28  Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [89:28].
90:00  End of period [90:00].

**WKU 1, AUSTIN PEAY 2**
LEONARD’S OVERTIME GOLDEN GOAL PUSHES WKU PAST UT MARTIN, 1-0

PDF Box Score attached; Celebration photos also attached, please credit Steve Roberts where used
VIDEO: Head Coach Jason Neidell - youtu.be/JkWfwUsktWw
VIDEO: Freshman Forward Ashley Leonard - youtu.be/AKpeXRiEMFA

Bowling Green, Ky. – Freshman Ashley Leonard scored her first collegiate goal in style on Sunday afternoon, tallying the golden goal in the first overtime period as WKU claimed a 1-0 victory over UT Martin in its 2017 home opener at the WKU Soccer Complex.

Despite playing just four minutes on the afternoon, the Troy, Mich., native capitalized on a long shot from outside the box, turning to her right and firing a high-arcing lob that sneaked under the crossbar for the decisive goal. Leonard is the second true freshman to score for the Lady Toppers in the team’s first four matches this season, joining Tally Bishop who found the back of the net in the opener at Lipscomb.

With the victory, WKU moves to 14-3 all-time in home openers in program history and has won its first match at the WKU Soccer Complex in each of the last four seasons.

WKU applied offensive pressure for long periods of the match and outshot the Skyhawks 20-4, including 9-3 in chances on goal, on the afternoon. Half of WKU’s chances shots came in the second half as the Lady Toppers sought the go-ahead goal but were unable to score the victory in regulation.

Sarah Gorham led all players with four shots on the afternoon and put three of her chances on target; the redshirt junior had an opportunity to put WKU in front on a penalty kick in the 64th minute, but her shot from the spot pinged off the left post and back into play, where the Skyhawks were able to clear away the threat.

Hannah Chua (3), Bishop (3), Chandler Backes (2) and Shayna Dheel (2) each registered multiple shots on the afternoon as well as WKU’s 20 attempts were a season-best mark. In goal, Allison Leone played the full 94 minutes and earned her second solo shutout of the season, styming the Skyhawks with a trio of saves on the day.

For UT Martin, Erica Myers spent the full match between the posts and made eight saves, but surrendered Leonard’s golden goal to close the match.

Over the first 25 minutes of play, the Lady Toppers pressured UT Martin’s defense with four shots and a corner kick opportunity from Aleksandra Kozovic in the 12th minute. Chua and Gorham each had chances 10 minutes later, but Chua pulled her shot just to the left of the goal while Gorham’s effort was stopped by Myers to maintain the early deadlock.

A flurry of action in the box in the 33rd minute nearly gave WKU a 1-0 advantage. Bishop’s initial strong shot was parried away but fell to the feet of Backes, whose attempt to score off the rebound was blocked away by a UT Martin defender.

Backes again corralled her own shot for a second try, but Gorham’s effort was missed the lower left corner of the goal by inches.

WKU’s best chance at victory in regulation came on Gorham’s penalty kick at the 63:33 mark. Bishop was pulled down in the box and the referee called for the foul, setting up the redshirt junior with the first penalty kick chance of her career.

Gorham correctly pulled the shot to the left as Myers dove to her right, but the chance struck the left post and ricocheted back into play to be cleared away.

The Lady Toppers had a final chance in the last minute of regulation as Megan Morris broke free down the left side, creating a one-on-one opportunity against the keeper inside the box. Myers charged out just as Morris fired, barely containing the strong shot and sending the match into overtime to set up Leonard’s heroics.

WKU will be off the pitch for a week before returning to the confines of the WKU Soccer Complex for its next match on Sunday, Sept. 3, at 6 p.m. against Evansville. All of WKU’s home matches this season will feature free admission for all fans, and the Evansville match will double as Youth Soccer Day, encouraging younger players to come out and experience the atmosphere of a collegiate match.
## Soccer Box Score (Final)
### 2017 Lady Topper Soccer
#### UT Martin vs WKU (Aug 27, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

**UT Martin** (1-3-0) vs. **WKU** (2-2-0)

Date: Aug 27, 2017  
Attendance: 382  
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**Goals by period**

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### Officials:

Win—LEONE, Allison (2-2-0).  Loss—MYERS, Erica (1-3-0).

Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex

Officials: Referee: Dennis Beard; Asst. Referee: Benjamin Kadric; Randy Pavlovich;
Alt. Official: Daniel Scott; Scorer: Currie McFayden;
Offsides: UT Martin 1, WKU 5.

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Official’s signature
**Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)**

**UT Martin vs WKU (Aug 27, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)**

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00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
Foul on WKU.
02:32 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah BLOCKED.
02:45 Offside against WKU.
09:41 Shot by UTM COLLINS, Nicole, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on UT Martin.
11:36 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [11:36].
Foul on WKU.
16:38 Header Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna WIDE LEFT.
17:23 UTM substitution: ADAMS, Alice for THOMAS, Alexius.
22:02 UTM substitution: COLVIN, Katelyn for SCHUBRING, Jacalyn.
22:54 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah WIDE LEFT.
23:32 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE MYERS, Erica.
25:14 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for CADY, Hannah.
25:14 UTM substitution: KALDARIDOU, Danae for OLALEYE, Miah.
26:36 Shot by UTM CHAPPELL, Kamryn BLOCKED.
27:12 Corner kick by UTM COLVIN, Katelyn [27:12].
28:59 Offside against WKU.
29:33 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE MYERS, Erica.
31:58 WKU substitution: LARSEN, Andrea for MORRIS, Megan.
32:54 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE MYERS, Erica.
32:56 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler BLOCKED.
33:00 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE LEFT.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on WKU.
36:21 UTM substitution: LEVINGTON, Ashley for COLLINS, Nicole.
39:06 Offside against WKU.
Foul on UT Martin.
42:39 Offside against WKU.
43:47 Corner kick by UTM COLVIN, Katelyn [43:47].
44:29 Offside against WKU.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
UT Martin vs WKU (Aug 27, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #3 MAYO, Victoria, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #25 BISHOP, Tally.

45:00 For UTM: #0 MYERS, Erica, #21 CHAPPELL, Kamryn, #18 OLALEYE, Miah, #27 GERIDO, Blare, #3 BURKETT, Maggie, #6 COLVIN, Katelyn, #9 KETIS, Sara, #8 KALDARIDOU, Danae, #12 COLLINS, Nicole, #47 ADAMS, Alice, #16 MCGIVERN, Amy.
Foul on UT Martin.

50:50 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna, SAVE MYERS, Erica.
51:15 Offside against UT Martin.
Foul on UT Martin.

53:00 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally WIDE RIGHT.
53:05 UTM substitution: ROBERTS, Isabella for MCGIVERN, Amy.
53:05 UTM substitution: SCHUBRING, Jacalyn for COLVIN, Katelyn.

54:41 UTM substitution: DWUMFOUR-POKU, Vanes for ADAMS, Alice.
58:38 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE MYERS, Erica.
59:11 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [59:11].

61:01 WKU substitution: GOODMAN, Paige for BACKES, Chandler.
61:01 WKU substitution: LARSEN, Andrea for ROSELAND, Nicole.

61:01 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
61:01 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for MAYO, Victoria.
61:01 UTM substitution: ADAMS, Alice for KETIS, Sara.

Foul on UT Martin.

63:33 PENALTY KICK by WKU GORHAM, Sarah MISSED, save MYERS, Erica.

66:42 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [66:42].

67:02 Shot by WKU LARSEN, Andrea BLOCKED.

67:05 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah HIGH.
67:08 UTM substitution: THOMAS, Alexius for BURKETT, Maggie.
69:35 Shot by UTM KALDARIDOU, Danae, SAVE LEONE, Allison.

70:51 WKU substitution: ROSELAND, Nicole for CHUA, Hannah.
70:51 UTM substitution: KETIS, Sara for ROBERTS, Isabella.
71:46 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.

74:17 Corner kick by UTM KETIS, Sara [74:17].
Foul on UT Martin.
Foul on UT Martin.

76:17 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole HIGH.
76:20 UTM substitution: DWUMFOUR-POKU, Vanes for KALDARIDOU, Danae.
78:44 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for LARSEN, Andrea.
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78:44 UTM substitution: BURKETT, Maggie for GERIDO, Blare.
Foul on UT Martin.

80:07 Shot by WKU BRYANT, Kaylyn WIDE RIGHT.
80:49 UTM substitution: MITCHELL, Kaci for OLALEYE, Miah.
Foul on UT Martin.

85:14 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
87:31 Shot by UTM MCGIVERN, Amy, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
87:59 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
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88:28 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah HIGH.
89:22 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE MYERS, Erica.
Foul on WKU.

90:00 End of period [90:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (OT period)
UT Martin vs WKU (Aug 27, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

90:00 Start of OT period [90:00].
90:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #7 LEONARD, Ashley, #23 MOSLEY, Bria, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #3 MAYO, Victoria, #17 BRAGADO, Christina.
90:00 For UTM: #0 MYERS, Erica, #12 COLLINS, Nicole, #2 ROBERTS, Isabella, #16 MCGIVERN, Amy, #30 SCHUBRING, Jacalyn, #9 KETIS, Sara, #47 ADAMS, Alice, #27 GERIDO, Blare, #3 BURKETT, Maggie, #10 MITCHELL, Kaci, #21 CHAPPELL, Kamryn. Foul on WKU.
93:09 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria, SAVE MYERS, Erica.
93:47 GOAL by WKU LEONARD, Ashley (FIRST GOAL), goal number 1 for season.

**UT MARTIN 0, WKU 1**

*long shot floated over keeper

93:47 End of period [93:47].

**UT MARTIN 0, WKU 1**
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WKU WELCOMES EVANSVILLE FOR YOUTH SOCCER DAY SUNDAY EVENING
Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – For the first time this season, WKU will play just one match this weekend as the Lady Toppers welcome Evansville to the WKU Soccer Complex on Sunday evening at 6 p.m. for a non-conference clash.

Sunday’s match will double as WKU’s Youth Soccer Day, with youth soccer teams in attendance being recognized and the first 100 fans receiving free Big Red rally towels. As with all WKU home matches this season, all fans will receive free admission to Sunday’s match.

In their last time out, the Lady Toppers claimed a dramatic 1-0 victory over UT Martin last Sunday afternoon, downing the Skyhawks on Ashley Leonard’s golden goal in the 94th minute of play. The freshman lofted a long shot over the UT Martin goalkeeper from the edge of the box for her first collegiate goal and WKU’s second victory of the season, pushing the Lady Toppers to 2-2 overall after two weeks of play.

True freshmen have scored both of WKU’s match-winning goals this season, as Tally Bishop scored the winner in the season opener at Lipscomb. When paired with Leonard’s strike, WKU is one of only 13 Division I schools across the nation that have had multiple freshmen score match-winning goals thus far in 2017.

In goal, Allison Leone turned in her second solo shutout of the season against the Skyhawks and has posted 112 consecutive scoreless minutes between the posts dating back to WKU’s match at Austin Peay. Leone has played every minute in goal for the Lady Toppers this season and has made at least three saves in all four matches, including a season-best nine stops at Texas.

Freshmen again filled important roles for the Lady Toppers against UT Martin, with Avery Jacobsen playing all 94 minutes from her right back position. Victoria Mayo played 51 minutes off the bench and nearly notched the match-winner at the end of regulation, and Bishop saw a team-best 62 minutes as a substitute while placing two of her three shots on target.

Evansville is set to enter Sunday’s match with a 2-3 overall record and dropped a heartbreaking 2-1 overtime decision against Illinois on Thursday evening in its last time out. The Purple Aces have wins over UT Martin (2-1) and Fort Wayne (2-1) so far this season and are 1-0 in matches played on the road.

Nicki Baham leads Evansville with a pair of goals and five points, and Montana Portenier, Sara Osinski and Jayme-Lee Hunter have each found the back of the net once for the Purple Aces. Portenier leads the team with eight shots and has put five of those on target, and Maggie Leazer has played a team-best 407 minutes among field players.

Michaela Till has played all 452 minutes in goal for Evansville, tallying 16 saves while surrendering seven goals for a 1.39 goals against average. Till owns a .696 save percentage compared to Leone’s .818 in the same category.
In the most recent meeting between the two sides, WKU earned a 2-0 shutout against the Purple Aces in Bowling Green on Sept. 7, 2014, behind goals from Hannah Chua and Iris Dunn. The Lady Toppers lead the all-time series against Evansville by a 6-1-1 margin and have not dropped a match against the Purple Aces since the 2005 season. Since that 4-0 setback on Aug. 28, 2005, WKU has held Evansville scoreless in six straight outings in the series.

Following Sunday’s match, WKU will remain at home for a pair of matches to close the non-conference slate next weekend, hosting Vanderbilt at 6 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 8, and welcoming Samford at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 10. Against the Commodores, the Lady Toppers will be aiming for their first victory against a Power 5 conference opponent since downing Ole Miss in a 2-1 double overtime bout on Aug. 22, 2008.
BIG SECOND HALF CARRIES WKU PAST EVANSVILLE, 4-1

VIDEO: Head Coach Jason Neidell – youtu.be/n6cYDOzqGEO
VIDEO: Sophomore Forward Chandler Backes – youtu.be/xZ8zIJ855mo

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – Leading 1-0 at the halftime break, WKU found the back of the net three times in the final 45 minutes on Sunday evening, including a brace from sophomore Chandler Backes, as the Lady Toppers picked up a 4-1 victory over Evansville at the WKU Soccer Complex.

Of WKU’s season-high 23 shots, 14 came during the second-half offensive barrage and 12 were on target throughout the match. Backes had a match-high five attempts, followed by Sarah Gorham’s four and three apiece from Hannah Chua and Megan Morris. Freshman Ashley Leonard again found the back of the net to open the scoring on Sunday after tallying the golden goal in WKU’s last match against UT Martin, while Morris scored for the first time this season in the 75th minute.

Backes’ pair of goals on Sunday gives her 14 for her career in just 24 career matches, already just one shy of tying Morgan Thomas for 10th place on the program’s all-time goalscoring list. With an assist on Leonard’s opening goal, Backes also has 31 career points (14 goals, three assists) and is within striking distance of the top 10 in that category as well.

In addition to outshooting Evansville 23-9 on the evening, WKU also held a 7-4 advantage in corner kicks as Aleksandra Kozovic continued to handle the set piece duties from the corner flags for the Lady Toppers.

In goal, Allison Leone made three saves and surrendered just one goal before giving way to Keely Vincent with nine minutes remaining for the first time this season. Vincent, a Bowling Green native, was not pressed into action for any saves during her relief appearance.

For Evansville, Katie Schroeder led the way with three shots and the Purple Aces’ lone goal of the evening. JBess Ruby and Sara Osinski each placed one shot on goal but could not overcome a stout WKU defense. Michaela Till played the first 61 minutes of the night in goal for Evansville, making two saves and giving up two goals while taking the loss; Julie Rabe played the final 29 minutes with six saves while also allowing WKU to score twice.

As it did against UT Martin last Sunday, WKU applied offensive pressure often throughout the first 20 minutes of the match. Gorham had an opportunity on the first offensive possession of the night and sent a chance from 30 yards out just over the bar, and Morris and Shayna Dheel sent chances wide right and left, respectively, over the next 15 minutes. Kozovic had a trio of corners in the 16th minute, but could not push the Lady Toppers to an early breakthrough.

Evansville threatened off its first corner kick, as Molly Lear found the head of Schroeder just in front of the goal. Schroeder angled the attempt toward the face of the goal, but Leone was there for the save to end the Purple Aces’ offensive attack.

Set up by another Kozovic corner in the 37th minute, WKU finally broke through for a 1-0 lead with a few minutes remaining in the first frame. The sophomore’s set piece found Backes inside the box, who headed it down for Leonard; the freshman then flipped the ball over her head and into the right corner of the net for the second goal of her career to give WKU the lead.

Just 12 minutes into the second half, Backes added an insurance goal for the Lady Toppers on a through-ball from freshman Deven Jackson. Jackson played Backes through at the edge of the box, and the Carmel, Ind., native found space and beat Till low for her third goal of the season to put WKU ahead 2-0 over the Purple Aces.
Backes again struck after a scrum inside the box in the 67th minute. After initially being stopped by Rabe on her run through the box, Backes regained control of the ball behind the goalkeeper before slotting home the chance, putting WKU ahead 3-0 and firmly in control of the match. Morris added the final goal of the night for WKU at the 74:36 mark. After the ball fell at her feet, the junior took a short run up the left side before firing a blast toward goal, beating Rabe as the powerful shot found the upper right corner of the goal. Evansville pulled a goal back less than a minute later as Schroeder tallied her first of the season, but the Purple Aces could not close the gap any further as WKU’s defense held for the 4-1 final scoreline.

WKU will return to action next Friday evening at 6 p.m. as the Lady Toppers host SEC foe Vanderbilt at the WKU Soccer Complex. WKU will be aiming for its first victory over a Power 5 conference team since a 2-1 double overtime victory over Ole Miss on Aug. 22, 2008, as it hosts the Commodores, and admission will be free for all fans. The first 100 fans in attendance for next Friday’s match will also receive a free WKU Soccer scarf.
## Soccer Box Score (Final)
### 2017 Lady Topper Soccer
#### Evansville vs WKU (Sep 03, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Evansville (2-4-0) vs. WKU (3-2-0)

**Date:** Sep 03, 2017  
**Attendance:** 368

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### Cautions and ejections:

Win-LEONE, Allison (3-2-0). Loss-Till, Michaela (2-4-0).

Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex

Officials: Referee: Anthony Davis; Asst. Referee: Gary Emberton; Jerry Buckley;
Alt. Official: Daniel Scott; Scorer: Currie McFayden;
Offsides: Evansville 0, WKU 0.

Official's signature
Evansville Starters:  
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MF 11 Lear, Molly  
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WKU Starters:  
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F 25 BISHOP, Tally  
D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra  
MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole  

00:00  Till, Michaela at goalie for Evansville.  
00:00  LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.  
00:33  Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah HIGH.  
06:07  Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan WIDE RIGHT.  
       Foul on WKU.  
13:02  Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna WIDE LEFT.  
       Foul on Evansville.  
14:12  Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra BLOCKED.  
14:43  Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [14:43].  
15:19  Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [15:19].  
15:37  Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [15:37].  
19:09  Shot by UE Schroeder, Katie BLOCKED.  
19:32  Corner kick by UE Lear, Molly [19:32].  
19:38  Header Shot by UE Schroeder, Katie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.  
21:27  Header Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole WIDE RIGHT.  
21:59  Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.  
23:06  WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for CHUA, Hannah.  
23:06  WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for MORRIS, Megan.  
25:26  UE substitution: Harvey, Mikayla for Osinski, Sara.  
       Foul on WKU.  
29:20  WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for DHEEL, Shayna.  
29:20  UE substitution: Baham, Nicki for Portenier, Montana.  
32:39  UE substitution: Szopinski, Jenna for Rickett, Emily.  
       Foul on Evansville.  
35:13  Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE LEFT.  
       Foul on Evansville.  
36:25  WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.  
36:43  Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [36:43].  
36:50  GOAL by WKU LEONARD, Ashley (FIRST GOAL), Assist by BACKES, Chandler and KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, goal number 2 for season.  

**EVANSVILLE 0, WKU 1**  

* bicycle kick over head to right corner  
37:51  Header Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler HIGH.  
       Foul on Evansville.  
39:51  WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.  
       Foul on Evansville.  
42:55  UE substitution: Shepherd, Michaela for Baham, Nicki.  
       Foul on Evansville.
Foul on WKU.

44:59 Shot by UE Ruby, JBess, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
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45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #11 JACKSON, Deven, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #3 MAYO, Victoria.
45:00 For UE: #1 Till, Michaela, #5 Rickett, Emily, #11 Lear, Molly, #16 McMillan, Taran, #13 Portenier, Montana, #22 Brown, Samantha, #2 Pagan, Sierra, #21 Ruby, JBess, #18 Leazer, Maggie, #7 Szopinski, Jenna, #12 Harvey, Mikayla.
45:51 Shot by UE Ruby, JBess HIGH.
46:55 Shot by UE Lear, Molly BLOCKED.
55:50 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE Till, Michaela.
57:50 GOAL by WKU BACKES, Chandler, Assist by JACKSON, Deven, goal number 3 for season.

EVANSVILLE 0, WKU 2

*shot to middle after ball up from 33
57:50 UE substitution: Osinski, Sara for Hunter, Jayme-Lee.
58:47 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
58:47 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for MAYO, Victoria.
58:47 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for ROSELAND, Nicole.
59:27 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [59:27].
59:34 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE Till, Michaela.
61:07 Corner kick by UE Lear, Molly [61:07].
61:21 UE substitution: Rabe, Julie for Till, Michaela.
61:21 Rabe, Julie at goalie for Evansville.
62:08 Corner kick by UE Lear, Molly [62:08].
62:13 Header Shot by UE Rickett, Emily HIGH.
64:06 UE substitution: TEAM for Brown, Samantha.
65:19 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah BLOCKED.
65:29 Shot by WKU BRYANT, Kaylyn, SAVE Rabe, Julie.
66:50 GOAL by WKU BACKES, Chandler, goal number 4 for season.

EVANSVILLE 0, WKU 3

*collected ball behind keeper, low shot
66:50 UE substitution: Schroeder, Katie for McMillan, Taran.
66:50 UE substitution: Hopper, Annabelle for Rickett, Emily.
69:24 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BACKES, Chandler.
69:24 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
69:24 WKU substitution: ROSELAND, Nicole for JACKSON, Deven.
70:20 Shot by WKU LEONARD, Ashley WIDE LEFT.
71:53 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [71:53].
72:35 Shot by WKU CADY, Hannah, SAVE Rabe, Julie.
73:14 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE Rabe, Julie.
74:36 GOAL by WKU MORRIS, Megan, goal number 1 for season.

EVANSVILLE 0, WKU 4

*shot to top right from 25 yards
74:36 UE substitution: Brown, Samantha for Pagan, Sierra.
74:36 UE substitution: Blair, Morgan for Leazer, Maggie.
75:03 Shot by UE Lear, Molly WIDE LEFT.
75:24 GOAL by UE Schroeder, Katie, Assist by Osinski, Sara and Portenier, Montana, goal number 1 for season.

EVANSVILLE 1, WKU 4
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
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*pass to corner of box, low shot past keeper
76:27 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE Rabe, Julie.
76:33 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan WIDE RIGHT.
76:37 UE substitution: Panella, Olivia for Lear, Molly.
77:19 Header Shot by UE Osinski, Sara, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
78:33 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [78:33].
80:57 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for CADY, Hannah.
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80:57 VINCENT, Keely at goalie for WKU.
82:34 UE substitution: Olson, Emily for Szopinski, Jenna.
85:27 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria, SAVE Rabe, Julie.
85:51 UE substitution: McMillan, Taran for Harvey, Mikayla.
85:51 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
Foul on WKU.
87:17 Corner kick by UE Osinski, Sara [87:17].
89:33 Header Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE Rabe, Julie.
90:00 End of period [90:00].

EVANSVILLE 1, WKU 4
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE / September 7, 2017
Women’s Soccer / Contact: Currie McFayden, Associate Director of Athletic Communications/Media Relations

WKU SET TO HOST VANDERBILT, SAMFORD TO CLOSE NON-CONFERENCE PLAY
Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/
Samford Live Stream: conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=3327

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU will host a pair of matches at the WKU Soccer Complex this weekend, first welcoming SEC foe Vanderbilt at 6 p.m. on Friday evening before closing its non-conference slate on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m against Samford, the final match of the Lady Toppers’ current four-match homestand.

For Friday’s match, the first 100 fans in attendance will receive a free WKU Soccer scarf, and the first 50 members of the Red Wave student group will be treated to free food. Sunday’s match will feature Big Red’s Rascals and Elementary Education Day as young fans and their friends and family are encouraged to come out and support the Lady Toppers. All fans will receive free admission to both of this weekend’s matches.

WKU enters the weekend with a 3-2 overall record and has won each of its last two matches, including a 4-1 victory over Evansville on Sunday afternoon. Chandler Backes found the back of the net twice for the Lady Toppers in the win, and both Ashley Leonard and Megan Morris added tallies as WKU notched its most goals in a single match since also scoring four against Georgia State on Sept. 4, 2016.

Backes’ strikes against the Purple Aces were her third and fourth of the season, and the sophomore now sits just one goal shy of entering the top 10 in program history with 14 in her first 24 matches. The Carmel, Ind., native currently leads all C-USA players in both goals per match (0.8) and points per match (2.0) this season and has scored in three of WKU’s five matches thus far.

Defensively, WKU has been a force over the last two matches, surrendering just one goal in its 184 minutes played at the Soccer Complex this season. Along the back line, Christina Bragado has helped to anchor the defense from her center back position, while freshman Avery Jacobsen has stepped up as well, playing all but nine minutes against UT Martin and Evansville.

In goal, Allison Leone has played all but nine minutes this season with 21 saves and a pair of solo shutouts; the senior owns a 1.01 goals against average and has given up just five goals in 445 minutes played.

Vanderbilt comes into Friday’s match with an even 3-3 record on the season, but has dropped its last two outings against Indiana and Rhode Island, each by a 1-0 score. Simone Charley is the lone Commodore with multiple goals through six matches, having scored a pair, while Rebecca Rossett, Jackie Welch and Grace Jackson have all scored once. Charley also leads the Commodores with five points and 16 shots, five of which have been put on target.

Kaitlyn Fahrner has seen the majority of the action between the posts, playing 450 minutes with one shutout and 35 saves, and Lauren Demarchi has also seen time at the goalkeeper spot with just under 92 minutes on the pitch and four saves.

Against Vanderbilt, WKU will be seeking its first victory over a Power 5 conference opponent since downing Ole Miss in overtime, 2-1, on Aug. 22, 2008. The visit from the Commodores also marks the second straight season that an SEC opponent has made the trip to Bowling Green; last season, WKU battled against LSU on Sept. 8 and nearly came away with a victory before falling in a hotly-contested 1-0 defeat.

On Sunday, WKU will be renewing its series against Samford for the first time since 2002, having split a pair of meetings against the Bulldogs in the first two seasons in program history. Samford currently owns a 1-5 record in 2017 and will host Georgia on Friday evening before making the trip up to Bowling
Green on Sunday afternoon; the Bulldogs’ lone win thus far came in a 5-0 shutout of Alabama State on Sept. 1.
Six different Samford players have found the back of the net this season, led by four goals from Jermaine Seoposenwe. Seoposenwe also leads the Bulldogs with 10 points and has put 12 of her team-best 21 shots on target. Korrie Sauder has also notched multiple goals in 2017, scoring twice for Samford and also dishing out one assist.
Three different players have manned the goal for the Bulldogs this season, led by Anna Maddox’s 446 minutes. Maddox has started five of Samford’s six matches, but owns a 2.42 goals against average with 12 goals allowed and 18 saves. Stephanie Westaway has played just over 76 minutes in goal, making one save and allowing one goal, and Sarah Throne has played 17 scoreless minutes between the posts.
Following Sunday’s match, the Lady Toppers will return to action on Friday, Sept. 15, with their C-USA opener at Old Dominion at 6 p.m. CT; WKU will be seeking its first-ever victory against the Monarchs after dropping one-goal decision in 2014 (2-1 in double overtime) and 2016 (1-0). WKU will not return to the WKU Soccer Complex until a battle against Rice on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m.
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS
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LADY TOPPERS DROP TIGHT 1-0 BATTLE TO VANDERBILT

PDF Box Score Attached
Head Coach Jason Neidell Postmatch Interview: youtu.be/pTeeFBKrLQk
Freshman Defender Avery Jacobsen Postmatch Interview: youtu.be/0o9Z9Q9-0wU

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU nearly pulled even on several occasions throughout the second half, but an early goal in the seventh minute from Vanderbilt gave the visitors a 1-0 victory at the WKU Soccer Complex on Friday evening.

Much like last season’s 1-0 decision against LSU, the Lady Toppers could not quite capitalize on opportunities to equalize over the final 45 minutes following Olivia Simmons’ match-winner. Aleksandra Kozovic generated the best chance of the night for WKU off a free kick in the 56th minute, lining up the chance from 30 yards out and firing directly on goal, but the chance struck the center of the crossbar and cleared the goal to end the threat.

Kozovic led all players with three shots on the night, and both Sarah Gorham and Chandler Backes had one chance apiece, with Gorham notching WKU’s lone shot on goal. For Vanderbilt, Simmons, Grace Jackson and Hannon Eberts each had one shot on goal.

In goal, Allison Leone made one save in each half to keep the Lady Toppers within one goal and played the full 90 minutes for the fifth time in six matches this season. Kaitlyn Fahrner also played the full 90 minutes for the Commodores and made one save to earn the shutout victory.

Vanderbilt jumped ahead just over six minutes into the match, taking a 1-0 lead on Simmons’ shot just in front of the goal. Set up by Madison Elwell’s corner kick, the ball bounced around inside the box as WKU’s defenders attempted to clear away the threat. The Commodores’ Rebecca Rossett settled the ball and Simmons fired her chance past Leone to force WKU into an early hole in the match.

WKU had its first threat of the evening beginning in the 16th minute. As the offense brought the ball up the field, Kozovic had a long shot blocked over the line by a defender, setting up a corner kick opportunity from the right side for the Lady Toppers. Another corner kick would follow two minutes later, but WKU could not put a shot on goal off the set piece chances.

Gorham gave the Lady Toppers their best scoring chance of the half in the 26th minute as she broke free and found herself in space. The redshirt junior tested Fahrner with a hard shot, but the goalkeeper dove to her left and parried away the chance; WKU had another corner kick created by the try but again could not capitalize.

Leone kept WKU within striking distance just before the halftime break as she denied Vanderbilt’s Eberts on a strong shot inside the box, sending the Lady Toppers into the locker room facing just a one-goal deficit.

In the second half, Kozovic’s aforementioned free kick produced the best scoring opportunity for the Lady Toppers, and a Backes header in the final minute of play sailed just over the bar as WKU applied strong pressure while seeking a late equalizer.

WKU will conclude the non-conference portion of its 2017 schedule on Sunday afternoon at the WKU Soccer Complex, hosting Samford at 1 p.m. As with all of WKU’s home matches this season, admission will be free for all fans; Sunday’s match is also Elementary Education and Big Red’s Rascals Day, as the Lady Toppers encourage young fans and their friends and family to come out and support the team.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
Vanderbilt vs WKU (Sep 08, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Vanderbilt (4-3) vs. WKU (3-3)
Date: Sep 08, 2017  •  Attendance: 358
Weather: Sunny, 75F

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Cautions and ejections:

Win-Kaitlyn Fahrner (3-3-0). Loss-LEONE, Allison (3-3-0).
Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex
Officials: Referee: Katrina Allender; Asst. Referee: Ronnie Cowan; Franklin Taylor;
Alt. Official: Amanda Love; Scorer: Currie McFayden;
Offsides: Vanderbilt 0, WKU 0.

Official's signature
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
Vanderbilt vs WKU (Sep 08, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Vanderbilt Starters:
- GK 0 Kaitlyn Fahrner
- D 5 Myra Konte
- MF 7 Grace Jackson
- D 8 Olivia Simmons
- MF 10 Caroline Saltmarsh
- D 13 Nia Dorsey
- D 14 Jackie Welch
- D 15 Madison Elwell
- F 20 Rebecca Rossett
- F 33 Leila Azari
- MF 34 Stephanie Amack

WKU Starters:
- GK 1 LEONE, Allison
- MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
- F 5 BACKES, Chandler
- D 9 MORRIS, Megan
- MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah
- D 12 JACOBSEN, Avery
- D 14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
- D 17 BRAGADO, Christina
- F 25 BISHOP, Tally
- D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
- MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole

00:00 Kaitlyn Fahrner at goalie for Vanderbilt.
00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
Foul on WKU.
06:03 Corner kick by VANDY Madison Elwell [06:03].
06:09 GOAL by VANDY Olivia Simmons (FIRST GOAL), Assist by Rebecca Rossett, goal number 1 for season.

VANDERBILT 1, WKU 0

*off corner kick
Foul on WKU.
15:04 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra BLOCKED.
15:35 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [15:35].
17:25 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [17:25].
Foul on WKU.
21:57 Corner kick by VANDY Madison Elwell [21:57].
22:04 Shot by VANDY Jackie Welch WIDE RIGHT.
25:00 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE Kaitlyn Fahrner.
27:50 VANDY substitution: Hannon Eberts for Rebecca Rossett.
Corner kick by VANDY Madison Elwell.
28:59 Corner kick by VANDY Stephanie Amack [28:59].
29:41 VANDY substitution: Kaylann Boyd for Caroline Saltmarsh.
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29:41 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
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29:41 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
31:11 Corner kick by VANDY Stephanie Amack [31:11].
32:08 VANDY substitution: Paola Ellis for Jackie Welch.
33:34 Corner kick by VANDY Madison Elwell [33:34].
35:18 VANDY substitution: Brook Colangelo for Madison Elwell.
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35:18 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BACKES, Chandler.
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41:18 Shot by VANDY Hannon Eberts, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on WKU.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
Vanderbilt vs WKU (Sep 08, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For VANDY: #0 Kaitlyn Fahrner, #34 Stephanie Amack, #6 Hannon Eberts, #8 Olivia Simmons, #15 Madison Elwell, #7 Grace Jackson, #33 Leila Azari, #5 Myra Konte, #13 Nia Dorsey, #11 Paola Ellis, #10 Caroline Saltmarsh.

45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
Foul on Vanderbilt.
Foul on Vanderbilt.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on Vanderbilt.

55:12 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra HIT CROSSBAR.
56:13 VANDY substitution: Jackie Welch for Hannon Eberts.
58:58 VANDY substitution: Madiya Harriott for Leila Azari.
58:58 VANDY substitution: Rebecca Rossett for Paola Ellis.
62:35 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [62:35].
Foul on WKU.
Foul on Vanderbilt.

68:51 VANDY substitution: Gabrielle Rademaker for Olivia Simmons.
68:51 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
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68:51 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
68:51 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
73:15 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra WIDE RIGHT.
73:19 VANDY substitution: Paola Ellis for Rebecca Rossett.
73:19 VANDY substitution: Leila Azari for Madison Elwell.
74:47 Shot by VANDY Caroline Saltmarsh BLOCKED.
Foul on WKU.

78:39 VANDY substitution: Kaylann Boyd for Jackie Welch.
78:39 VANDY substitution: Olivia Simmons for Madiya Harriott.
78:39 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for MAYO, Victoria.
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78:39 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
78:39 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
79:42 Shot by VANDY Grace Jackson, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
81:46 VANDY substitution: Jackie Welch for Paola Ellis.
83:52 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [83:52].
86:13 Shot by VANDY Nia Dorsey WIDE LEFT.
86:16 VANDY substitution: Rebecca Rossett for Kaylann Boyd.
89:08 Header Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler HIGH.
90:00 End of period [90:00].

VANDERBILT 1, WKU 0
WKU FALLS 1-0 IN NON-CONFERENCE FINALE AGAINST SAMFORD

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU Soccer closed its 2017 non-conference slate on Sunday afternoon at the WKU Soccer Complex, ending a four-match homestand with a 1-0 setback against Samford. The Bulldogs (2-5-1) took an early lead in the sixth minute on a headed effort by Jermaine Seoposenwe off a corner kick, and WKU (3-4) had to search for an equalizer for the next 84 minutes while facing the one-goal deficit. The Lady Toppers nearly pulled even with strong chances in the second half, but could not overcome the early hole.

Chandler Backes and Hannah Chua each notched a pair of shots and a shot on goal apiece on Sunday afternoon, while freshmen Paige Goodman and Deven Jackson also had one shot each. For Samford, Seoposenwe, Kaitlyn Orman and Erin Bonner each had a match-high three chances, and Seoposenwe was the lone player with multiple shots on goal.

In goal, Allison Leone finished the match with seven saves, her second-most in a single match this season, and played the full 90 minutes for the Lady Toppers. For Samford, Anna Maddox also played the full 90 minutes on Sunday afternoon, earning the shutout victory with a pair of saves.

WKU fought off an early corner kick in the fourth minute from the Bulldogs, but Samford capitalized on its second opportunity from the right flag two minutes later. Kaitlyn Orman’s corner kick found the head of Seoposenwe, who sent the chance into the upper right corner of the net to give the Bulldogs an early 1-0 advantage.

Backes nearly brought the Lady Toppers level at the 15:16 mark after a strong buildup through the midfield for WKU. Played through from the left side, the sophomore broke free from her defender and launched a shot toward goal, but the chance dribbled just wide right of the front of the goal and did not press Maddox into action.

Over the final 20 minutes of the first half, Leone made a trio of strong saves to keep the Lady Toppers within one goal heading into the intermission. The final save, in the 35th minute, saw Leone deny the goalscorer Seoposenwe on a shot from the top of the box; neither side was able to put a shot on goal over the final 10 minutes and Samford carried a 1-0 lead into the break.

Set up by an Aleksandra Kozovic corner kick, Chua provided an early offensive spark for the Lady Toppers in the second half. Finding space 20 yards out after gaining control of the ball, the senior fired toward goal but sent the chance just over the bar to end the early offensive threat.

Samford’s Nyalyn Moore came close to putting WKU into a 2-0 hole in the 68th minute. Following a scuffle inside the box, Moore fired to her left and pinged a shot off the left post and back into play, but Samford was immediately whistled offside as the WKU defense held firm after the strike.

Much like Friday’s match against Vanderbilt, Backes provided WKU’s best chance to level the match very late in the second half. After being bottled up with her back to a defender inside the box, the Carmel, Ind., native spun to her right and immediately tried to curl a shot on goal at the 84:45 mark. Backes’ effort forced a diving save from Maddox and gave WKU another corner kick opportunity, but the Lady Toppers could not find a late goal despite strong pressure down the stretch.

WKU will open C-USA play on Friday evening at 6 p.m. (CT) in Norfolk, Va., as the Lady Toppers battle Old Dominion. WKU will be seeking its first victory in the series against the Monarchs, having dropped a pair of one-goal decisions in both 2014 and 2016; in the three seasons since joining C-USA, the Lady Toppers hold a 2-1 record in conference openers, including a 1-0 shutout win at Marshall last season.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
Samford vs WKU (Sep 10, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Samford (2-5-1) vs. WKU (3-4-0)
Date: Sep 10, 2017 • Attendance: 274
Weather: Sunny, 75F

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Totals: 16, 8, 1, 1, 6

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Totals: 6, 2, 0, 0, 5

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0 | Anna Maddox | 90:00 | 0 | 2

Shots by period | 1 | 2 | Total
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Cautions and ejections:

YC-WKU #TM (49:26)

Win: Anna Maddox (2-4-1). Loss: LEONE, Allison (3-4-0).
Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex
 Officials: Referee: Dennis Beard; Asst. Referee: Jonathan Bryan; Anthony Davidson; Alt. Official: Tony Sheets; Scorer: Currie McFayden;
Offsides: Samford 1, WKU 0.

Official's signature
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
Samford vs WKU (Sep 10, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Samford Starters:
GK 0 Anna Maddox
D 4 Taylore Miller
D 7 Lexi Orman
D 8 Grace Sommi
MF 9 Korrie Sauder
F 10 Jermaine Seoposenwe
MF 18 Kaitlyn Orman
MF 19 Allie Lourie
D 20 Taylor Meneide
F 22 Ella Baggett
MF 25 Virginia McNeill

WKU Starters:
GK 1 LEONE, Allison
MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
F 5 BACKES, Chandler
D 9 MORRIS, Megan
MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah
D 12 JACOBS, Avery
D 14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
D 17 BRAGADO, Christina
F 25 BISHOP, Tally
D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole

00:00 Anna Maddox at goalie for Samford.
00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
03:07 Corner kick by SAM Kaitlyn Orman [03:07].
04:39 SAM substitution: Abriella Argueta for Taylor Meneide.
Foul on WKU.
05:56 Corner kick by SAM Kaitlyn Orman [05:56].
05:59 Header GOAL by SAM Jermaine Seoposenwe (FIRST GOAL), Assist by Kaitlyn Orman, goal number 5 for season.

SAMFORD 1, WKU 0

*off corner kick
Foul on Samford.
13:07 Shot by SAM Kaitlyn Orman BLOCKED.
15:16 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE RIGHT.
Foul on WKU.
21:41 Header Shot by SAM Kaitlyn Orman HIGH.
21:46 SAM substitution: Caroline Orman for Abriella Argueta.
Foul on Samford.
Foul on Samford.
25:20 Shot by SAM Lexi Orman, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
26:30 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
26:30 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
26:30 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
27:50 Shot by SAM Kaitlyn Orman BLOCKED.
27:58 Shot by SAM Caroline Orman, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on Samford.
30:18 SAM substitution: Nyalyn Moore for Kaitlyn Orman.
31:40 Header Shot by SAM Erin Bonner WIDE LEFT.
32:56 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BACKES, Chandler.
32:56 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
32:56 SAM substitution: Grace Packer for Ella Baggett.
33:34 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE Anna Maddox.
Foul on WKU.
34:51 Shot by SAM Jermaine Seoposenwe, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
37:49 Header Shot by SAM Erin Bonner WIDE RIGHT.
37:52 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for CHUA, Hannah.
41:51 Corner kick by SAM Grace Packer [41:51].
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
Samford vs WKU (Sep 10, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #25 BISHOP, Tally.
45:00 For SAM: #0 Anna Maddox, #25 Virginia McNeill, #8 Grace Sommi, #4 Taylore Miller, #20 Taylor Meneide, #22 Ella Baggett, #5 Abriella Argueta, #18 Kaitlyn Orman, #9 Korrie Sauder, #26 Caroline Orman, #10 Jermaine Seoposenwe.
46:18 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [46:18].
46:35 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah HIGH. Foul on Samford.
49:26 Yellow card on WKU TEAM.
50:13 Shot by SAM Ella Baggett BLOCKED.
53:03 Shot by SAM Jermaine Seoposenwe HIGH.
54:45 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [54:45].
55:18 SAM substitution: Lexi Orman for Taylore Miller.
57:03 SAM substitution: Erin Bonner for Korrie Sauder.
60:29 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
60:29 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
60:29 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for GORHAM, Sarah.
60:29 SAM substitution: Grace Packer for Ella Baggett.
61:45 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for BRYANT, Kaylyn. Foul on WKU.
63:07 Header Shot by SAM Erin Bonner, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
65:04 WKU substitution: GOODMAN, Paige for BISHOP, Tally.
67:21 Shot by SAM Nyalyn Moore HIT POST.
67:29 Offside against Samford.
68:04 Shot by SAM Grace Packer, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
68:53 SAM substitution: Korrie Sauder for Erin Bonner.
68:53 WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JACOBSEN, Avery.
71:16 WKU substitution: GORHAM, Sarah for CHUA, Hannah.
71:16 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna. Foul on WKU.
74:00 Header Shot by SAM Korrie Sauder, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
74:37 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven WIDE RIGHT.
76:43 Shot by WKU GOODMAN, Paige BLOCKED.
77:38 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for BACKES, Chandler.
77:38 SAM substitution: Taylore Miller for Lexi Orman.
78:16 Corner kick by SAM Kaitlyn Orman [78:16].
79:25 Corner kick by SAM Kaitlyn Orman [79:25].
82:51 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for MORRIS, Megan.
82:51 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
82:51 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for GOODMAN, Paige.
82:51 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for JACKSON, Deven.
82:51 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
82:51 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for MAYO, Victoria.
82:51 SAM substitution: Grace Packer for Korrie Sauder.
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
Samford vs WKU (Sep 10, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

84:03  Shot by SAM Ella Baggett, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
84:45  Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE Anna Maddox.
85:09  Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [85:09].
85:38  SAM substitution: Lexi Orman for Grace Packer.
90:00  End of period [90:00].

SAMFORD 1, WKU 0
BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU is set to return to the road for the first time in three weeks at 6 p.m. (CT) on Friday evening, squaring off against Old Dominion in the C-USA opener for both sides at the ODU Soccer Complex in Norfolk, Va.

Friday night’s match will double as beIN Sports’ featured Match of the Week and will air live on beIN Connect, the channel’s online digital network, and on a one-hour delay on the beIN TV Network. The match will be broadcast nationally on both platforms.

The Lady Toppers (3-4) are looking to snap a two-match losing streak after dropping a pair of 1-0 decisions against Vanderbilt and Samford at the WKU Soccer Complex last weekend. Corner kick goals by the opposition early in each match proved to be the decisive scores despite strong offensive efforts in the second half by WKU.

Sophomore Chandler Backes continues to lead the Lady Toppers with four goals and 10 total points on the season while also leading all members of the squad with 16 shots, eight of which have been put on goal. Despite not having scored thus far, redshirt junior Sarah Gorham has also played a key role in the offense out of the midfield, launching 13 shots through seven matches; Gorham’s .538 shot on goal percentage is the best among all Lady Toppers with at least seven shots this season.

As a team, WKU has combined to score six of its eight goals during the second half of play or overtime this season, outscoring its opponents 6-3 over that span. The Lady Toppers are also outshooting their foes 48-38 in that same time frame and own a slim 16-15 advantage in corner kick opportunities.

Senior Allison Leone owns a pair of solo shutouts this season and has held WKU’s opponents to either zero or one goal in each of the last four matches. The Kennesaw, Ga., native has 30 saves and sports a 1.01 goals against average in just under 625 minutes of action between the posts.

Old Dominion (2-2-2) enters Friday’s match on a four-match winless streak, but has earned a draw in each of its last two times out. In their most recent match on Sept. 7, the Monarchs secured a 1-1 draw on the road at UNCW following Kyra Ricks’ strike with just 18 seconds remaining in regulation. Old Dominion’s two victories this season came in their first two outings of the year against George Mason and Albany.

Preseason All-C-USA pick Jackie Stroud leads the Monarchs into Friday’s battle with three goals and seven points on the season, while Iris Achterhof and Carla Morich pace Old Dominion with three assists apiece. Besides Stroud, Ricks is the lone Monarch who has scored more than one goal this season, finding the back of the net twice through six matches.

In goal, Krista Moisio has played all 580 minutes for Old Dominion while collecting 24 saves and a pair of solo shutouts. Moisio owns a 1.24 goals against average and has surrendered eight goals, but the Monarchs have allowed opponents to score more than one goal just twice this season.

A win on Friday evening would be WKU’s first in the series against the Monarchs; Old Dominion picked up a 2-1 win in Norfolk in double overtime in WKU’s debut year in C-USA in 2014, and the Monarchs claimed a 1-0 win in the most recent meeting between the sides in Bowling Green on Oct. 28, 2016. In its first three seasons in the conference, WKU owns a 2-1 record in C-USA openers.

Following Friday’s match, the Lady Toppers will be off until Thursday, Sept. 21, when the team travels to Hattiesburg, Miss., to take on Southern Miss at 4 p.m. WKU is then set to return to the WKU Soccer Complex on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. as the Lady Toppers battle Rice in their C-USA home opener.
NORFOLK, Va. – Locked in a scoreless battle heading into the second overtime period, WKU dropped a 1-0 decision on Friday evening against Old Dominion at the ODU Soccer Complex following Kyra Ricks’ match-winner in the 105th minute in the C-USA regular season opener for both sides.

WKU (3-5, 0-1 C-USA) played stout defense throughout the evening and held the Monarchs (3-2-2, 1-0 C-USA) scoreless through the end of the first overtime period, but Ricks notched the golden goal with 104:36 on the clock as her shot ricocheted off the post and into the back of the net. The Lady Toppers were outshot 21-9 on the night but placed four of their nine chances on goal.

“All credit goes to Old Dominion tonight. They stuck to a solid game plan and in the end, their will to win was the difference,” Head Coach Jason Neidell said. “Our group is resilient. We will get back to work this week and prepared for a tough Southern Miss team next Thursday.”

Hannah Chua starred offensively for the Lady Toppers, firing three of her four shots on goal as a constant threat throughout the match. Chua placed a shot on goal in the first half, second half and first overtime period but could not sneak a chance past Krista Moisio for the breakthrough goal. Sarah Gorham also had a pair of shots on Friday evening, while Christina Bragado tallied her first shot on goal of the season in the 80th minute.

Allison Leone turned in a strong performance between the posts, playing the full match and tallying seven saves, her most in a regular season matchup against a C-USA foe since notching nine at Rice on Sept. 30, 2016. The goalkeeper now has three matches this season with seven or more stops, including a season-best nine at Texas on Aug. 20.

For Old Dominion, Ricks had a match-high five shots and put two of those on goal; Madison Hogan also had a pair of shots on goal for the Monarchs on the night. In goal, Moisio played all 105 minutes and earned the solo shutout after make four saves.

Nicole Roseland opened the match by sending the first chance of the evening just over the bar only 62 seconds after the first kick, but WKU was forced to weather a barrage of Old Dominion shots over the next 10 minutes to maintain the early deadlock. The Monarchs’ most threatening attack came on a corner kick in the seventh minute, as leading scorer Stroud sent a header just wide of the net.

WKU nearly claimed an early 1-0 lead in the road tilt in the 12th minute off the foot of Chua. The senior found space and put her attempt on goal, but Moisio was there for the stop to end the strong offensive threat from the Lady Toppers.

Just under 10 minutes later, Leone jumped into action for her first save of the night. Faced with a shot from Old Dominion’s Gaby Bentley, the Kennesaw, Ga., native corralled the chance to deny the Monarchs the lead, keeping the match scoreless at the 20-minute mark.

Neither side managed another shot on goal over the final 25 minutes of the first half, but the Lady Toppers had a pair of corner kicks in the 42nd minute to apply offensive pressure on the Monarchs. Neither set piece led to a goal, however, as the two sides entered the locker room in a scoreless draw after 45 minutes.

Out of the halftime break, Old Dominion pressured Leone just under 10 minutes into the second frame. Kyra Ricks’ initial shot was wide of the goal, but a header from Kira Laurento fell into the senior keeper’s hands for her first save of the half as the scoreboard level remained.

Over the final 20 minutes of regulation, the Lady Topper offense nearly netted the breakthrough goal on several occasions. Chua’s header in the 72nd minute gave WKU its best scoring opportunity of the second half to that point, and three minutes later Deven Jackson came within inches of scoring the first
goal of her collegiate career as her shot from distance struck the crossbar but could not find the back of the net.

In the 80th minute, corner kick specialist Aleksandra Kozovic lofted the set piece into the box and found Bragado, but again Moisio was there to deny the Lady Toppers’ chance. Chua fired a final shot just wide as the clock wound down, sending the match into overtime still knotted at 0-0.

Chances for both sides bookended the first overtime period: Chua’s effort in the 91st minute forced Moisio into action on the stop, while Leone extended the match with less than a minute remaining in the period as she made a strong stop on Old Dominion’s Emma Gervase to send the match into a second overtime and set up Ricks’ decisive goal.

Following tonight’s match, the Lady Toppers are off for nearly a week, not returning to the field until Thursday, Sept. 21, when the team travels to Hattiesburg, Miss., to take on Southern Miss at 4 p.m. WKU is then set to return to the WKU Soccer Complex on Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. as the Lady Toppers battle Rice in their C-USA home opener.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
WKU vs ODU (Sep 15, 2017 at Norfolk, Va.)

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Cautions and ejections:

YC-ODU #7 (93:38)

Win-MOISIO, KRISTA (3-2-2). Loss-LEONE, Allison (3-5-0).
Stadium: ODU Soccer Complex
Officials: Referee: Richonne Clark; Asst. Referee: R. Patrick Stephan;
Jeff Lord; Alt. Official: Charles Raney;
Offsides: WKU 2, ODU 0.

Official's signature
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
WKU vs ODU (Sep 15, 2017 at Norfolk, Va.)

**WKU Starters:**
1. LEONE, Allison
2. CHUA, Hannah
3. MAYO, Victoria
4. MORRIS, Megan
5. GORHAM, Sarah
6. JACOBSEN, Avery
7. JALAJEL, Nahyo
8. BRAGADO, Christina
9. DHEEL, Shayna
10. Cady, Hannah
11. ROSELAND, Nicole

**ODU Starters:**
1. MOISIO, KRISTA
2. JOHNSON, Natalie
3. ROBERTS, Emily
4. TAPPER, Talia
5. MORICH, Carla
6. ACHTERHOF, Iris
7. BENTLEY, Gaby
8. STROUD, Jackie
9. BASHARA, Cristina
10. MORNINGSTAR, Maddie
11. HOGAN, Madison

00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
00:00 MOISIO, KRISTA at goalie for ODU.
01:02 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole HIGH.
06:19 Corner kick by ODU MORICH, Carla [06:19].
06:34 Header Shot by ODU STROUD, Jackie WIDE.
08:16 Shot by ODU HOGAN, Madison HIGH.
09:21 Shot by ODU JOHNSON, Natalie WIDE.
  Foul on WKU.
10:32 Shot by ODU JOHNSON, Natalie HIGH.
11:40 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE MOISIO, KRISTA.
16:59 ODU substitution: LAURENTO, Kira for JOHNSON, Natalie.
19:27 Shot by ODU BENTLEY, Gaby, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
20:32 WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
22:43 ODU substitution: RICKS, Kyra for BENTLEY, Gaby.
  Foul on ODU.
23:58 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for MAYO, Victoria.
  Foul on WKU.
26:38 Shot by ODU LAURENTO, Kira WIDE.
26:45 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for DHEEL, Shayna.
28:31 ODU substitution: MARIS, Demi for ROBERTS, Emily.
33:20 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.
33:58 Offside against WKU.
  Foul on ODU.
36:36 ODU substitution: HALL, Morgan for BASHARA, Cristina.
  Foul on WKU.
40:35 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for MORRIS, Megan.
41:19 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [41:19].
41:38 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [41:38].
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs ODU (Sep 15, 2017 at Norfolk, Va.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.

45:00 For ODU: #5 MARIS, Demi, #3 ROBERTS, Emily, #11 BENTLEY, Gaby, #19 RICKS, Kyra, #14 STROUD, Jackie, #6 TAPPER, Talia, #9 LAURENTO, Kira, #10 ACHTERHOF, Iris, #8 MORICH, Carla, #1 MOISIO, KRISTA, #17 MORNINGSTAR, Maddie.

53:33 Shot by ODU RICKS, Kyra WIDE.
54:58 Header Shot by ODU LAURENTO, Kira, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
55:58 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [55:58].
56:22 Offside against WKU.
61:31 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for JACOBSEN, Avery.
61:31 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
61:31 WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for MORRIS, Megan.
61:31 ODU substitution: BASHARA, Cristina for BENTLEY, Gaby.
62:20 Corner kick by ODU MORICH, Carla [62:20].
62:22 Shot by ODU TAPPER, Talia BLOCKED.
64:06 Shot by ODU BASHARA, Cristina WIDE.
66:47 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.
71:08 Header Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE MOISIO, KRISTA.
72:05 ODU substitution: HANNIS, Devyn for MORICH, Carla.
72:52 Shot by ODU HANNIS, Devyn, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
73:29 Shot by ODU HOGAN, Madison, SAVE LEONE, Allison. Foul on ODU.
74:51 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven HIT CROSSBAR.
75:08 Shot by ODU RICKS, Kyra, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
75:59 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
75:59 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
75:59 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for MAYO, Victoria.
75:59 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for BACKES, Chandler.
78:58 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.
79:28 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [79:28].
79:33 Shot by WKU BRAGADO, Christina, SAVE MOISIO, KRISTA.
81:16 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler. Foul on ODU.
82:42 WKU substitution: ROSELAND, Nicole for JACKSON, Deven.
82:42 ODU substitution: MORICH, Carla for HANNIS, Devyn.
83:36 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for LEONARD, Ashley.
83:36 ODU substitution: GERVASE, Emma for LAURENTO, Kira.
84:22 Shot by ODU RICKS, Kyra WIDE.
85:15 Shot by ODU HOGAN, Madison, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
86:34 Shot by ODU RICKS, Kyra WIDE.
86:47 ODU substitution: ACHTERHOF, Iris for HOGAN, Madison.
87:25 Shot by ODU JOHNSON, Natalie WIDE.
87:44 WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
89:36 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah WIDE.
90:00 End of period [90:00].
90:00  Start of OT period [90:00].
90:00  For WKU: #5 BACKES, Chandler, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #1 LEONE, Allison, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #9 MORRIS, Megan.
90:00  For ODU: #12 BASHARA, Cristina, #17 MORNINGSTAR, Maddie, #1 MOISIO, KRISTA, #10 ACHTERHOF, Iris, #8 MORICH, Carla, #6 TAPPER, Talia, #3 ROBERTS, Emily, #19 RICKS, Kyra, #21 HOGAN, Madison, #14 STROUD, Jackie, #7 GERVASE, Emma.
90:58  Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE MOISIO, KRISTA.
93:38  Yellow card on ODU, Hannah, SAVE MOISIO, KRISTA.
95:04  Foul on WKU.
95:04  WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for MORRIS, Megan.
95:04  WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
95:53  Corner kick by ODU MORICH, Carla [95:53].
96:19  Shot by ODU ROBERTS, Emily WIDE.
97:58  Shot by ODU TAPPER, Talia BLOCKED.
98:57  ODU substitution: BENTLEY, Gaby for BASHARA, Cristina.
99:13  Shot by ODU GERVASE, Emma, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
99:29  Corner kick by ODU MORICH, Carla [99:29].
100:00 End of period [100:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (OT2 period)
WKU vs ODU (Sep 15, 2017 at Norfolk, Va.)

100:00 Start of OT2 period [100:00].
100:00 For ODU: #6 TAPPER, Talia, #11 BENTLEY, Gaby, #19 RICKS, Kyra, #10 ACHTERHOF, Iris, #8 MORICH, Carla, #1 MOISIO, KRISTA, #7 GERVASE, Emma, #17 MORNINGSTAR, Maddie, #3 ROBERTS, Emily, #14 STROUD, Jackie, #21 HOGAN, Madison.
100:00 For WKU: #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #11 JACKSON, Deven, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #31 KZOVCIC, Aleksandra, #1 LEONE, Allison, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #9 MORRIS, Megan.
Foul on ODU.
Foul on WKU.
104:37 GOAL by ODU RICKS, Kyra (FIRST GOAL), goal number 3 for season.

WKU 0, ODU 1

*Rebound off the side bar and into the goal
104:36 End of period [104:36].
104:36 End of period [104:36].

WKU 0, ODU 1
BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU Soccer will be on the road for its second straight match on Thursday afternoon, making the trip to Hattiesburg, Miss., to square off against C-USA foe Southern Miss in a matinee battle at 4 p.m.

The Lady Toppers (3-5, 0-1 C-USA) will be seeking to bounce back from a 1-0 double overtime defeat in their C-USA opener at Old Dominion last Friday evening. WKU battled throughout the match and had opportunities to net what would have been the match-winning goal, but the Monarchs’ Kyra Ricks ricocheted a shot off the left post and into the back of the net in the 105th minute to seal the decision.

Southern Miss (6-3, 0-1 C-USA) also opened C-USA play in its last time out on Sept. 17, hosting UTEP at the Southern Miss Soccer Complex in a 1-0 setback. The Golden Eagles fought to a scoreless draw for much of the match, but UTEP tallied the match-winner in the 89th minute to come away with the road victory.

Offensively, the trio of Chandler Backes, Hannah Chua and Sarah Gorham have led the attack for the Lady Toppers, combining for 46 of the team’s 87 shots thus far on the season; of those 46 attempts, 21 shots have been on goal, with eight coming from Backes, seven from Gorham and six from Chua. Backes continues to lead the squad with four goals and 10 total points while also dishing out a team-best pair of assists.

Freshman Deven Jackson has provided an offensive spark for the Lady Toppers over the last two weeks. Although she has not scored, the Auckland, New Zealand, native has been very close, striking the crossbar with just over 15 minutes remaining at Old Dominion; the first-year player also notched her first collegiate point on Sept. 3 against Evansville, playing a through-ball to set up one of Backes’ two goals.

On defense, Christina Bragado has started all eight matches at her center back position, with Nicole Roseland also in the starting lineup in every match thus far as a holding midfielder; Aleksandra Kozovic, Megan Morris and Kaylyn Bryant have also seen extensive playing time along the back line, appearing in all eight matches with seven starts apiece. The Lady Toppers have allowed just eight goals this season and have not surrendered any more than two in a single contest.

Between the posts, Allison Leone has played all but nine minutes for the Lady Toppers this season and owns a 0.99 goals against average with 37 total saves. The senior has made 262 career saves and enters Thursday’s match with 24 solo shutouts, marks that rank third and second in program history, respectively.

For the Golden Eagles, Becky McMullan has tallied a team-best five goals and leads the squad with 13 total points; Miah Zuazua sits just behind with a pair of goals and eight points. Five other players; Kierstin Bradley (3), Ola Akinniyi (3), Stephanie Garcia (2), Beth Coleman (2) and Mariana Mejia (2); have scored multiple goals for Southern Miss.

In goal, Kelly Brahmmbhatt and Kendell Mindnich have split time for Southern Miss; Brahmmbhatt has made six starts and 23 total saves, while Mindnich has one start and 10 saves, but has allowed 14 goals.

WKU will be seeking to remain perfect in its series against the Golden Eagles on Thursday afternoon, holding a 2-0 record against Southern Miss. The Lady Toppers earned a 2-0 win in Hattiesburg on Oct. 26, 2014, before claiming a 1-0 shutout victory in Bowling Green on Sept. 22, 2016, last season.

Following Thursday’s match, the Lady Toppers will remain off the pitch for a week before returning to the friendly confines of the WKU Soccer Complex next Thursday evening, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. against Rice. Last season, WKU earned its first-ever victory over the Owls with a 1-0 shutout in Houston on Sept. 30.
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WKU, SOUTHERN MISS BATTLE TO SCORELESS DRAW THURSDAY EVENING

PDF Box Score Attached

HATTIESBURG, Miss. – On the road for its second straight match to open C-USA play, WKU fought for 110 minutes on Thursday evening at the Southern Miss Soccer Complex, but neither side was able to come away with a decisive goal in the scoreless draw.

Thursday’s result was WKU’s first scoreless draw since battling to a 0-0 tie against Florida Atlantic at the WKU Soccer Complex on Oct. 29, 2015, and marked the first time since Oct. 11 and Oct. 16, 2015, that the Lady Toppers (3-5-1, 0-1-1 C-USA) have played consecutive double overtime outings.

Six different Lady Toppers notched a pair of shots on the night as WKU put six of its 17 chances on target. Hannah Chua, Chandler Backes, Sarah Gorham and Victoria Mayo all had two shots and also placed one shot on goal, while Megan Morris and Hannah Cady rounded out the group who successfully tested the Southern Miss goalkeeper.

WKU’s defense held stout for all 110 minutes, refusing to concede a goal to the Golden Eagles. Nicole Roseland played the full match from her holding midfielder position, and just behind her Christina Bragado anchored the back line as its center back for the entire outing. WKU held Southern Miss well below its season averages in both shots and shots on goal, limiting the Golden Eagles to just 14 and 7, respectively, in each category.

In goal, Allison Leone earned the 25th solo shutout of her career and dropped her goals against average this season to 0.86 through nine matches. The senior finished the evening with seven saves, the last of which came to start the first overtime period, denying Southern Miss’ Becky McMullan just 40 seconds into the first extra frame.

For Southern Miss (6-3-1, 0-1-1 C-USA), McMullan had a match-high three shots and a pair of shots on goal; she was joined by teammate Kierstin Bradley who also tested Leone twice on the night. In goal, Kelly Brahmbhatt played the full 110 minutes for the Golden Eagles with six saves to pick up the solo shutout.

Both sides traded early opportunities in the first five minutes of the match, pressing both goalkeepers into action. Just over 90 seconds after the first kick, Southern Miss’ Kaitlin Fayard launched a shot on goal that was parried away by Leone; three minutes later, Morris found herself with space in the offensive half and fired on goal, only to be denied by Brahmbhatt to maintain the early deadlock.

The best chance for either side came at the 42:30 mark just before the halftime break. Southern Miss was called for a foul inside the box, setting up the Lady Toppers with their third penalty kick try of the season. Gorham lined up the chance, but Brahmbhatt made the stop and controlled the ball to send the sides into the halftime break knotted at 0-0.

With the minutes winding down in regulation, Leone made two strong saves to ensure the match would head to overtime, first denying Katie Richmond with just under five minutes left and then corralling McMullan’s effort as time expired.

In the overtime periods, the only shots on goal by either side both came in the first three minutes of the first frame. McMullan again had a chance to win the match for the Golden Eagles after 40 seconds but was shut down by Leone, while Mayo tested Brahmbhatt at the 92:51 mark but could not find the back of the net.

With its two-match road trip to open C-USA play concluded, WKU will return to the friendly confines of the WKU Soccer Complex next Thursday evening at 7 p.m. to square off against Rice. In last year’s meeting between the two sides in Houston, the Lady Toppers earned their first-ever victory over the Owls, holding them without a goal in a 1-0 shutout victory.
### Soccer Box Score (Final)
#### 2017 Lady Topper Soccer
**WKU vs Southern Miss (Sep 21, 2017 at Hattiesburg, Miss.)**

**WKU (3-5-1) vs. Southern Miss (6-3-1)**  
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- **Referee:** Daniel Radford
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**Remarks**

**Description**
- **Attendance:** 104
- **Stadium:** USM Soccer Complex
- **Weather:** 80s
- **Offsides:** WKU 7, Southern Miss 0

**Cautions and ejections**
- **YC-WKU #33 (57:28); RC-WKU #14 (84:44)**
  
**WKU-LEONE, Allison (3-5-1). Southern Miss-BRAHMBHATT, Kelly (6-3-1).**

**Officials:** Referee: Daniel Radford; Asst. Referee: Jesse McBride; Jonathan Sauers;  
Alt. Official: Julio Linares; Timekeeper: Ashleigh Young; Scorer: Ashleigh Young;  
**Offsides:** WKU 7, Southern Miss 0.  

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### Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
**WKU vs Southern Miss (Sep 21, 2017 at Hattiesburg, Miss.)**

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00:00 BRAHMBHATT, Kelly at goalie for Southern Miss.
01:31 Shot by USM FAYARD, Kaitlin, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
03:16 Offside against WKU.
04:34 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE BRAHMBHATT, Kelly.
06:20 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE.
08:35 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.
11:13 Shot by USM FAYARD, Kaitlin HIGH.
14:14 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole WIDE.
15:14 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler HIGH.
18:59 Corner kick by USM GARCIA, Stephanie [18:59].
20:47 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
22:32 Header Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah BLOCKED.
22:49 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [22:49].
23:21 USM substitution: COLEMAN, Beth for GARCIA, Stephanie.
25:24 Offside against WKU.
25:24 Shot by USM BRADLEY, Kierstin, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on WKU.
27:26 Shot by WKU LEONARD, Ashley BLOCKED.
27:46 USM substitution: ZUAZUA, Miah for ABRAMS, Hannah.
29:31 Header Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole WIDE.
30:42 USM substitution: BAUMHOWER, Allie for CARACHEO, Jennyfer.
31:41 Header Shot by USM BRADLEY, Kierstin, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
32:09 Corner kick by USM ZUAZUA, Miah [32:09].
32:29 Header Shot by USM BAUMHOWER, Allie HIGH.
33:09 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for JACOBSEN, Avery.
33:09 WKU substitution: Cady, Hannah for LEONARD, Ashley.
33:09 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
35:23 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna WIDE.
35:28 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
36:41 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE BRAHMBHATT, Kelly.
37:28 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [37:28].
38:33 USM substitution: HOPPMEYER, Keely for FAYARD, Kaitlin.
38:33 USM substitution: RIVERA, Andrea for McMULLAN, Becky.
38:33 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for BACKES, Chandler.
Foul on Southern Miss.
42:30 PENALTY KICK by WKU GORHAM, Sarah MISSED, save BRAHMBHATT, Kelly.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs Southern Miss (Sep 21, 2017 at Hattiesburg, Miss.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #15 JALAEL, Nahyo, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #6 GOODMAN, Paige, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #1 LEONE, Allison, #3 MAYO, Victoria, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #17 BRAGADO, Christina.
45:00 For USM: #12 RAMOS, JoAnnie, #24 PIERCE, Caitlin, #33 BAUMHOWER, Allie, #0 BRAHMBHATT, Kelly, #7 AKINNIYI, Ola, #11 RIVERA, Andrea, #2 RICHMOND, Katie, #21 FAYARD, Kaitlin, #22 McMULLAN, Becky, #20 ZUAZUA, Miah, #18 BRADLEY, Kierstin.
46:29 Offside against WKU.
Foul on WKU.
47:59 Shot by USM PIERCE, Caitlin, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
50:06 Offside against WKU.
Foul on WKU.
54:10 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for GORHAM, Sarah.
54:10 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for GOODMAN, Paige.
54:10 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for MAYO, Victoria.
55:00 USM substitution: TORRES, Karen for RAMOS, JoAnnie.
55:09 Shot by WKU OWN GOAL WIDE.
56:27 Shot by WKU CADY, Hannah, SAVE BRAHMBHATT, Kelly.
57:27 Offside against WKU.
57:28 Yellow card on WKU ROSELAND, Nicole.
58:46 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [58:46].
59:06 USM substitution: ABRAMS, Hannah for ZUAZUA, Miah.
59:06 USM substitution: COLEMAN, Beth for RIVERA, Andrea.
60:55 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
60:55 WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAEL, Nahyo.
63:52 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE BRAHMBHATT, Kelly.
64:47 Shot by USM RICHMOND, Katie HIGH.
65:44 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [65:44].
66:28 USM substitution: GARCIA, Stephanie for BRADLEY, Kierstin.
68:39 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAEL, Nahyo.
69:04 Offside against WKU.
70:40 USM substitution: CARACHEO, Jennyfer for ABRAMS, Hannah.
71:08 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for CADY, Hannah.
71:08 WKU substitution: GORHAM, Sarah for CHUA, Hannah.
72:02 USM substitution: ZUAZUA, Miah for BAUMHOWER, Allie.
72:02 USM substitution: PIERCE, Caitlin for RICHMOND, Katie.
75:45 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven WIDE.
77:42 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra WIDE.
79:21 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
81:35 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven BLOCKED.
81:54 USM substitution: RICHMOND, Katie for FAYARD, Kaitlin.
81:54 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for MORRIS, Megan.
Foul on WKU.
84:44 Red card on WKU BRYANT, Kaylyn.
85:05 Shot by USM ZUAZUA, Miah BLOCKED.
85:11 Shot by USM RICHMOND, Katie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
86:59 USM substitution: FAYARD, Kaitlin for RICHMOND, Katie.
86:59 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for DHEEL, Shayna.
89:59 Shot by USM McMULLAN, Becky, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
90:00 End of period [90:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (OT period)
WKU vs Southern Miss (Sep 21, 2017 at Hattiesburg, Miss.)

90:00 Start of OT period [90:00].
90:40 Shot by USM McMULLAN, Becky, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
92:51 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria, SAVE BRAHMBHATT, Kelly.
93:59 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
93:59 USM substitution: BAUMHOWER, Allie for CARACHEO, Jennyfer.
97:37 USM substitution: BRADLEY, Kierstin for GARCIA, Stephanie.
97:37 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for JACKSON, Deven.
99:15 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria WIDE.
99:36 USM substitution: HOPPMEYER, Keely for COLEMAN, Beth.
100:00 End of period [100:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (OT2 period)  
WKU vs Southern Miss (Sep 21, 2017 at Hattiesburg, Miss.)

100:00  Start of OT2 period [100:00].
103:34  Shot by USM McMULLAN, Becky HIGH.
104:08  WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
107:37  USM substitution: ABRAMS, Hannah for ZUAZUA, Miah.
107:37  WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for DHEEL, Shayna.
108:37  Shot by USM ABRAMS, Hannah WIDE.
109:17  Offside against WKU.
109:47  Shot by USM AKINNIYI, Ola WIDE.
110:00  End of period [110:00].

WKU 0, SOUTHERN MISS 0
LEONE, BRAGADO NAMED C-USA PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

Allison Leone and Christina Bragado Headshots Attached

IRVING, Texas – Senior Allison Leone and sophomore Christina Bragado have been named the C-USA Goalkeeper and Defensive Player of the Week, respectively, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon.

Leone’s honor is the third of her career, having previously been named the C-USA Goalkeeper of the Week in back-to-back weeks last season on Oct. 3 and Oct. 10; the honor also gives Leone the most weekly awards among WKU goalkeepers in program history and matches Amanda Buechel’s mark for the most among all individual players.

For Bragado, the weekly award is the first of her career on The Hill and marks the fourth C-USA Defensive Player of the Week award received by a WKU player since the beginning of the 2016 season. WKU picked up the pair of awards after battling to a 0-0 draw at Southern Miss last Thursday evening.

The Lady Toppers held the hot-shooting Golden Eagles well below their season averages of 20.4 shots and 10.3 on goal, limiting them to just 14 shots, seven of which were on target. Through the end of Thursday’s match, the Lady Topper defense has surrendered just three goals in its last 410 minutes of action dating back to the Evansville match on Sept. 3.

Following the shutout on Thursday that saw her make seven saves, Leone now owns three solo shutouts this season and 25 for her career to rank second in program history. The Kennesaw, Ga., native has collected 44 saves in 839 minutes of play this season and owns a 0.86 goals against average, the fourth-best mark among C-USA goalkeepers in 2017.

Bragado has played every minute this season from her center back position, anchoring WKU’s back line across 849 minutes of playing time. Against Southern Miss, the San Diego, Calif., sophomore was one of only three field players on either side to play the full 110 minutes, joining teammate Nicole Roseland and Ola Akinniyi of the Golden Eagles. Under Bragado’s defensive leadership, WKU has not given up more than two goals in a single match and has allowed only eight total goals in nine matches this season.

Leone, Bragado and the Lady Toppers will be back in action on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. at the WKU Soccer Complex as they host C-USA foe Rice. WKU claimed its first-ever win over the Owls in Houston last season, grabbing a 1-0 victory on a 15th-minute goal from former Lady Topper Iris Dunn. Following Thursday’s match, WKU will round out the weekend on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. against North Texas; both matches will feature free admission for all fans.
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WKU RETURNS HOME AGAINST RICE THURSDAY EVENING  
*Live Stream (C-USA TV):* [conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=3328](conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=3328)  
*Live Stats:*
[sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/](sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/)

**BOWLING GREEN, Ky.** – Following a two-week road trip to open C-USA play, WKU will be back inside the friendly confines of the WKU Soccer Complex on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. as the Lady Toppers welcome Rice for a conference clash.

Thursday’s match will serve as the team’s annual “Red Out” match, and all fans are encouraged to wear red to support the Lady Toppers; the first 50 fans in attendance will receive a free red t-shirt. The match will also be Military, Veterans and First Responders Night with each group receiving recognition. As with all home matches this season, admission is free for all fans.

The Lady Toppers (3-5-1, 0-1-1 C-USA) will be seeking their first win of C-USA play on Thursday, having dropped their opener at Old Dominion before battling to a scoreless draw last Thursday afternoon at Southern Miss. WKU held the hot-shooting offense of the Golden Eagles in check and generated chances of its own throughout the match, but could not find the back of the net in the 110-minute battle.

Rice (5-2-1, 2-0 C-USA) enters Thursday’s clash having won its last three matches, including a 2-0 shutout victory over Louisiana Tech in its last time out on Sept. 21. Goals early in each half from Rebecca Keane and Samantha Chaiken were the difference for the Owls, who have tallied 23 goals across just eight matches thus far in 2017.

Heading into Thursday’s tilt, WKU sports both the reigning C-USA Defensive Player and Goalkeeper of the Week in Christina Bragado and Allison Leone. Both Lady Toppers played pivotal roles in the draw at Southern Miss, with Bragado anchoring the defensive from her center back position and Leone stonewalling the Golden Eagles’ offense with seven saves on the evening. Leone’s award, the third of her career, also tied her with Amanda Buechel for the most individual weekly awards in program history.

Offensively, the trio of Chandler Backes, Hannah Chua and Sarah Gorham have led the attack for the Lady Toppers, combining for 52 of the team’s 104 shots thus far on the season; of those 52 attempts, 24 shots have been on goal, with nine coming from Backes, eight from Gorham and seven from Chua. Backes continues to lead the squad with four goals and 10 total points while also dishing out a team-best pair of assists.

Freshman Deven Jackson has provided an offensive spark for the Lady Toppers over the last three weeks. Although she has not scored, the Auckland, New Zealand, native has been very close, striking the crossbar with just over 15 minutes remaining at Old Dominion; the first-year player also notched her first collegiate point on Sept. 3 against Evansville, playing a through-ball to set up one of Backes’ two goals.

On defense, Bragado has started all nine matches at her center back position and played every minute this season for the Lady Toppers, with Nicole Roseland also in the starting lineup in every match thus far as a holding midfielder; Aleksandra Kozovic, Megan Morris and Kaylyn Bryant have also seen extensive playing time along the back line, appearing in all nine matches with eight starts apiece. The Lady Toppers have allowed just eight goals this season and have not surrendered any more than two in a single contest; in addition, WKU’s opponents have scored just three goals in the last 410 minutes of play.
Between the posts, Leone has played all but nine minutes for the Lady Toppers this season and owns a 0.86 goals against average with 44 total saves. The senior has made 269 career saves and enters Thursday's match with 25 solo shutouts, marks that rank third and second in program history, respectively.

For the Owls, Keane leads with five goals this season and both Chaiken and Nia Stallings trail just behind with four goals apiece. Each of the trio has also tallied double-digit points this season, led by 12 from Stallings. Annie Walker has also played a key role in setting up Rice's offense, standing alongside Stallings for the team lead with four assists.

In goal, Maya Hoyer has played all 740 minutes for Rice, making 29 saves and surrendering 10 goals for a 1.22 goals against average. Hoyer has also notched three solo shutouts on the year against Louisiana Tech, Texas A&M-Corpus Christi and Baylor.

WKU claimed its first-ever victory over Rice in the most recent meeting between the two sides, defeating the Owls, 1-0, on the road in Houston last season. Overall, Rice holds a 3-1-1 lead in the series; the Lady Toppers will also be seeking their first win over the Owls in Bowling Green after battling to a 0-0 draw in 2013 and a 3-1 setback during the 2015 season.

Following Thursday's match, the Lady Toppers will remain at home for Sunday afternoon's clash against North Texas at 1 p.m. The former Sun Belt rivals have met 22 times in program history, more than any other foe that WKU has faced, with the Mean Green holding a 13-7-2 advantage in the series. The Lady Toppers will be seeking their first win in the series since a 2-0 victory on Oct. 21, 2012.
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WKU FALLS 2-0 AGAINST RICE IN C-USA ACTION

PDF Box Score Attached
VIDEO: Head Coach Jason Neidell - youtu.be/ZnXU9y-43Y0

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – In its C-USA home opener on Thursday evening at the WKU Soccer Complex, WKU could not overcome a goal early in each half against Rice in a 2-0 setback.

Three different Lady Toppers (3-6-1, 0-2-1 C-USA) notched a pair of shots on the night as WKU put four of its 10 chances on target. Hannah Chua, Chandler Backes and Sarah Gorham each had two shots, while Chua, Backes, Nahyo Jalajel and Shayna Dheel each placed one shot on goal on the night.

Of the 14 different field players that saw action for WKU on Thursday, six played the full 90 minutes against the Owls. Chua, Backes and Gorham played the full match on the offensive side of the field, while Avery Jacobsen, Nicole Roseland and reigning C-USA Defensive Player of the Week Christina Bragado did not leave the field on defense.

In goal, C-USA Goalkeeper of the Week Allison Leone came away with eight saves against Rice while playing the full 90 minutes; the senior now has 52 stops on the season and has surrendered just 10 goals across 10 matches.

For Rice (6-2-1, 3-0 C-USA), Annie Walker had a match-high five shots and put three of those chances on goal. Seven other Rice players logged one shot on goal apiece; between the posts, Maya Hoyer played the entire match for the Owls, stopping four Lady Topper shots en route to the solo shutout.

Both sides traded early opportunities in the first five minutes of the match, pressing both goalkeepers into action. Just over two minutes after the first kick, Rice’s Walker got her head on a cross from outside the box but could not put enough power behind the effort, sending the shot just to the right of the goal. Less than two minutes later, Dheel responded with WKU’s first chance of the evening. The senior fired a hard shot from inside the box in an attempt to slot it low past Hoyer, but the goalkeeper was there for the save to keep the match scoreless.

At the 11:06 mark, WKU nearly pulled level on a pair of shots from Backes and Aleksandra Kozovic over the next five minutes, but both Lady Toppers sent their chances over the crossbar. The Lady Toppers again found themselves with an opportunity on a corner kick in the 31st minute as Kozovic played the ball to Gorham, whose shot was parried away by a Rice defender.

Leone kept the Lady Toppers down just one goal just before the halftime break, stonewalling both Samantha Chaiken and Marissa Topolski on strong shots from inside the box over the final five minutes of the first half.

Coming out of the locker room, the Owls doubled their lead as Rebecca Keane collected Lianne Mananquil’s long pass from the midfield and sent a low shot past the outstretched arms of Leone at the 46:57 mark.

Backes nearly pulled a goal back for the Lady Toppers in the 59th minute. Her strong headed effort from the right post came close to beating Hoyer, but the goalkeeper collected the opportunity to end the Lady Topper attack. Seven minutes later, WKU had one of its best chances of the night off a corner kick. Following a scramble inside the box, Chua fired a shot directly at the center of the goal, but again Hoyer was there for the stop.

WKU’s offense generated a pair of shots in the final 10 minutes, but could not find the back of the net in the closing minutes of the match.

WKU will remain at home on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. as the Lady Toppers battle North Texas at the WKU Soccer Complex. Sunday’s match will feature free admission for all fans and will double as WKU Staff Day, as well as the WKU Soccer Camp reunion as all participants from this summer’s camps are invited to attend.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
Rice vs WKU (Sep 28, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Rice6-2-1 (3-0 C-USA) vs. WKU3-6-1 (0-2-1 C-USA)
Date: Sep 28, 2017 • Attendance: 232
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Win-Maya Hoyer (6-2-1). Loss-LEONE, Allison (3-6-1).
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Alt. Official: Ronnie Cowan; Scorer: Dana Brown;
Offsides: Rice 1, WKU 1.

Official's signature
Rice vs WKU (Sep 28, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Rice Starters:  
GK 1 Maya Hoyer  
MF 4 Samantha Chaiken  
D 6 Darcy Mickalow  
MF 7 Erin Mikeska  
MF 8 Rebecca Keane  
MF 9 Annie Walker  
MF 12 Lianne Mananquil  
D 14 Louise Stephens  
D 20 Trinity King  
F 22 Nia Stallings  
D 23 Mallory Radtke

WKU Starters:  
GK 1 LEONE, Allison  
MF 2 CHUA, Hannah  
F 5 BACKES, Chandler  
MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah  
MF 11 JACKSON, Deven  
D 12 JACOBSN, Avery  
D 15 JALAJEL, Nahyo  
D 17 BRAGADO, Christina  
D 19 DHEEL, Shayna  
D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra  
MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole

00:00 Maya Hoyer at goalie for Rice.  
00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.  
02:22 Header Shot by RICE Annie Walker WIDE RIGHT.  
04:09 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna, SAVE Maya Hoyer.  
Foul on Rice.  
Foul on WKU.  
Foul on WKU.  
10:52 Corner kick by RICE Annie Walker [10:52].  
11:06 Header GOAL by RICE Nia Stallings (FIRST GOAL), Assist by Darcy Mickalow, goal number 5 for season.  

RICE 1, WKU 0

*header to left corner  
13:25 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler HIGH.  
15:06 Shot by RICE Annie Walker BLOCKED.  
Foul on Rice.  
16:28 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra HIGH.  
Foul on WKU.  
24:36 Header Shot by RICE Annie Walker, SAVE LEONE, Allison.  
Foul on Rice.  
25:19 RICE substitution: Marissa Topolski for Rebecca Keane.  
26:13 Corner kick by RICE Annie Walker [26:13].  
26:20 Shot by RICE Lianne Mananquil BLOCKED.  
26:27 Shot by RICE Darcy Mickalow HIGH.  
27:40 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE RIGHT.  
30:19 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [30:19].  
30:26 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.  
32:20 Shot by WKU JALAJEL, Nahyo, SAVE Maya Hoyer.  
34:45 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.  
39:18 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for JALAJEL, Nahyo.  
39:18 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for JACKSON, Deven.  
40:28 Shot by RICE Samantha Chaiken, SAVE LEONE, Allison.  
Foul on WKU.  
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41:21 Shot by RICE Marissa Topolski, SAVE LEONE, Allison.  
Foul on WKU.  
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
Rice vs WKU (Sep 28, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #11 JACKSON, Deven, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #19 DHEEL, Shayna.
45:00 For RICE: #1 Maya Hoyer, #7 Erin Mikeska, #12 Lianne Mananquil, #9 Annie Walker, #22 Nia Stallings, #23 Mallory Radtke, #4 Samantha Chaiken, #6 Darcy Mickalow, #20 Trinity King, #14 Louise Stephens, #8 Rebecca Keane.
45:50 Shot by RICE Rebecca Keane BLOCKED.
46:57 GOAL by RICE Rebecca Keane, Assist by Lianne Mananquil, goal number 6 for season.

RICE 2, WKU 0

*low shot passed keeper
49:41 Shot by RICE Annie Walker, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
        Foul on Rice.
        Foul on Rice.
57:53 Offside against Rice.
58:36 Header Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE Maya Hoyer.
59:32 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
61:23 Corner kick by RICE Annie Walker [61:23].
61:43 Shot by RICE Annie Walker, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
62:34 Shot by RICE Samantha Chaiken BLOCKED.
63:35 Corner kick by RICE Annie Walker [63:35].
64:13 Corner kick by RICE Annie Walker [64:13].
64:19 Shot by RICE Lianne Mananquil HIGH.
65:27 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [65:27].
65:36 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE Maya Hoyer.
66:22 Corner kick by RICE Annie Walker [66:22].
67:02 Corner kick by RICE Annie Walker [67:02].
67:06 Header Shot by RICE Erin Mikeska, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
67:38 Shot by RICE Lianne Mananquil BLOCKED.
68:06 Shot by RICE Rebecca Keane WIDE LEFT.
68:12 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for JACKSON, Deven.
68:12 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for DHEEL, Shayna.
69:00 RICE substitution: Marissa Topolski for Annie Walker.
70:34 Offside against WKU.
71:09 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
73:15 RICE substitution: Jessica Johnston for Lianne Mananquil.
73:15 RICE substitution: Ashley Burgess for Rebecca Keane.
        Foul on WKU.
75:38 Shot by RICE Marissa Topolski HIT POST.
75:43 Shot by RICE Ashley Burgess HIT CROSSBAR.
77:18 Shot by RICE Ashley Burgess, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
77:59 RICE substitution: Haley Kostyshyn for Nia Stallings.
77:59 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for LEONARD, Ashley.
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79:00 Shot by RICE Haley Kostyshyn, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
        Foul on Rice.
82:54 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole WIDE LEFT.
83:16 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
85:25 Shot by RICE Ashley Burgess WIDE RIGHT.
        Foul on Rice.
87:06 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah WIDE LEFT.
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
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88:26   Shot by RICE Marissa Topolski WIDE LEFT.
90:00   End of period [90:00].

RICE 2, WKU 0
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WKU HOSTS NORTH TEXAS SUNDAY AFTERNOON TO CLOSE BRIEF HOMESTAND
Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU will seek to bounce back on Sunday afternoon after dropping its home C-USA opener as the Lady Toppers host North Texas at 1 p.m. at the WKU Soccer Complex.
The Lady Toppers (3-6-1, 0-2-1 C-USA) and Mean Green (6-2-2, 1-0-1 C-USA) have met more often than any other opponent in program history, having faced one another 22 times on the pitch. North Texas owns a 13-7-2 edge in the all-time series, and WKU will be looking for its first win over the Mean Green since a 2-0 victory in Bowling Green on Oct. 21, 2012; WKU holds a 5-2-1 lead over North Texas in matches played in Bowling Green.
The reigning C-USA Defensive Player of the Week Christina Bragado will lead WKU’s back line into Sunday’s match, having played every minute thus far in 2017. Despite a 2-0 setback against Rice on Thursday evening, the Lady Topper defense has surrendered just 10 goals across 10 matches this season and has helped to produce three shutouts against Lipscomb, UT Martin and Southern Miss.
Chandler Backes and Hannah Chua each had strong scoring chances against the Owls on Thursday, as Backes’ 59th minute header and Chua’s blast toward the center of the goal off a corner kick in the 66th minute both required outstretched saves from Rice goalkeeper Maya Hoyer. The duo has combined for 39 shots and 11 points this season.
Freshman Deven Jackson drew her first collegiate start against the Owls and has seen an increased role in the midfield in recent matches. The Auckland, New Zealand, native has launched four shots in 2017 and is one of three freshmen, alongside Avery Jacobsen and Tally Bishop, to start at least one match for the Lady Toppers this season.
Between the posts for WKU, C-USA Goalkeeper of the Week Allison Leone has collected three solo shutouts and 52 saves this season. In three C-USA matches, Leone owns 22 saves and a 0.89 goals against average across 304 minutes of action. With her individual award from the conference office this week, Leone joined Amanda Buechel atop WKU’s all-time list of individual weekly awards as she earned her third C-USA Goalkeeper of the Week honor.
For North Texas, seven different players have scored at least two goals, led by Berklee Peters’ five strikes across 10 matches. Peters also leads the Mean Green with 13 points on the season and is joined in double figures by Ariel Diaz with 10 (four goals, two assists). North Texas has averaged 22.6 shots per game and is outshooting its opponents by a 226-134 margin.
In goal, both Miranda Schoening (490 minutes) and Brooke Bradley (450 minutes) have seen extensive time for the Mean Green. Schoening holds a slim edge in goals against average, 0.73 to 0.80, and owns a 4-2 overall record; Bradley has an undefeated 2-0-2 mark with 21 saves and one solo shutdown.
North Texas is undefeated in its last six matches, notching four wins and a pair of ties over that span. In their last time out, the Mean Green tallied eight goals in an 8-0 shutout of Mid-America Christian University on Thursday evening, led by two goals apiece from Diaz, Katie Gernsbaché and Natalie Newell; North Texas also fell just one shot shy of matching its program record in a single match, firing 55 shots against the Evangels.

WKU will return to the road for its next two C-USA matches following Sunday’s tilt, traveling south to face archrival Middle Tennessee next Friday at 7 p.m. before visiting UAB at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 8. The Lady Toppers earned victories over both the Blue Raiders and the Blazers in Bowling Green last season and hold a lead in both overall series; WKU leads the series over Middle Tennessee by a narrow 6-5-6 margin and holds a 2-0-1 lead over UAB.
WKU closes homestand with 1-0 defeat against North Texas

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU closed its opening homestand of C-USA play on Sunday afternoon at the WKU Soccer Complex, falling in a close 1-0 battle against North Texas.

The Mean Green (7-2-2, 2-0-1 C-USA) scored just before the halftime break off the foot of Taylor Torres, and despite strong offensive pressure throughout much of the second half, WKU (3-7-1, 0-3-1 C-USA) was unable to recover from the one-goal deficit.

Sarah Gorham tied with North Texas’ Berklee Peters to lead all players with three shots and was one of three Lady Toppers to notch a shot on goal, joining Nicole Roseland and Shayna Dheel. The Mean Green held slim advantages in shots (11-9) and corner kick chances (5-4) on the afternoon.

In goal, Allison Leone played the full 90 minutes and surrendered only the goal to Torres, making three saves in the process. The senior from Kennesaw, Ga., has played all but nine minutes between the posts for the Lady Toppers this season.

For North Texas, Natalie McDonough was the only player aside from Peters to notch multiple shots on the afternoon. Brooke Lampe tallied an assist on Torres’ goal to close the scoring for the Mean Green.

Brooke Bradley played the full match minding the net for North Texas, earning the solo shutout with three saves. Over the first 20 minutes of the match, neither goalkeeper was directly tested despite one shot on both sides. A pair of early North Texas corners did not produce a shot for the Mean Green, but Aaliyah Nolan sent the first chance of the match for either side wide right of the goal in the 13th minute. Megan Morris responded off a WKU corner kick three minutes later; however, her opportunity also sailed just to the right of the net.

Roseland and Gorham peppered Bradley with a pair of shots on goal in the 21st and 23rd minutes, respectively. Roseland’s shot from distance was corralled by the goalkeeper, while Gorham’s try from inside the box was also collected by Bradley to end the Lady Topper attack.

In the 43rd minute, WKU had a pair of corner kick chances from Roseland but could not create a chance out of either opportunity. Just before the half, however, North Texas capitalized on a counter attack to take a 1-0 lead into the locker room. Lampe’s initial header was batted away and back into play by Leone, and Torres was there to collect the rebound and fire a shot low and into the right corner to give the Mean Green a one-goal advantage.

Leone jumped into action after the halftime break, making a pair of big saves to keep the Lady Toppers within striking distance. The first came in the 53rd minute as she controlled a header from North Texas’ McDonough, and the senior goalkeeper again kept WKU within one goal with a strong save on a shot from distance by Peters at the 57:51 mark.

WKU had its best scoring chance of the afternoon in the 65th minute. Deven Jackson’s shot from 30 yards ricocheted off a defender and into the air before falling to the feet of Dheel. Before Dheel could put power behind the shot, Bradley rushed out and saved the chance to maintain the lead for North Texas.

Neither side was able to create a shot on goal over the final 20 minutes of the afternoon as the Mean Green fended off offensive pressure from the Lady Toppers to claim the 1-0 win.

WKU will return to action on Friday evening as the Lady Toppers make the short trip south to battle archrival Middle Tennessee at 7 p.m. WKU holds a slim 6-5-6 edge in the all-time series against the Blue Raiders and has won two of the last three matches, including a 1-0 shutout in Bowling Green on Oct. 7, 2016, last season.
### North Texas vs WKU (Oct 01, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

**Soccer Box Score (Final)**

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YC-WKU #12 (46:49); YC-NT #10 (47:01); YC-WKU #5 (58:51)

Win-BRADLEY, Brooke (3-0-2). Loss-LEONE, Allison (3-7-1).

Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex

Officials: Referee: Esteban Rosano; Asst. Referee: Skyye Medley; Dave Dillon;
Alt. Official: Timothy Stewart; Scorer: Dana Brown;
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**Attendence: 232**

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- MF 15 MCDONOUGH, Natalie
- F 18 NEWELL, Natalie
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- F 22 PETERS, Berklee
- D 24 PHILLIPS, Tori
- D 25 JAMES, Dominique

WKU Starters:
- GK 1 LEONE, Allison
- D 17 BRAGADO, Christina
- D 12 JACOBSEN, Avery
- D 14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
- D 9 MORRIS, Megan
- D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
- MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole
- MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah
- MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
- F 5 BACKES, Chandler
- F 20 CADY, Hannah

00:00 BRADLEY, Brooke at goalie for North Texas.
00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
Foul on North Texas.
Foul on WKU.
07:04 Corner kick by NT NOLAN, Aaliyah [07:04].
07:57 Corner kick by NT NOLAN, Aaliyah [07:57].
12:59 Shot by NT DIAZ, Ariel WIDE RIGHT.
15:46 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [15:46].
16:04 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan WIDE RIGHT.
Foul on North Texas.
20:24 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole, SAVE BRADLEY, Brooke.
Foul on WKU.
21:32 Shot by NT PHILLIPS, Tori WIDE LEFT.
22:28 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE BRADLEY, Brooke.
Foul on WKU.
24:39 NT substitution: DEFRAIN, Elle Marie for PHILLIPS, Tori.
24:39 NT substitution: SMITH, Alexis for MCDONOUGH, Natalie.
24:39 NT substitution: BRUFFETT, Logan for GERNSBACHER, Katie.
24:39 NT substitution: SEBAZCO, Cat for NOLAN, Aaliyah.
28:41 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE LEFT.
Foul on WKU.
29:42 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on North Texas.
32:50 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for CADY, Hannah.
32:50 NT substitution: LAMPE, Brooke for SEBAZCO, Cat.
33:54 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
35:45 Shot by NT BRUFFETT, Logan WIDE RIGHT.
35:52 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
Foul on North Texas.
37:03 NT substitution: GUDERIAN, Madeline for PETERS, Berklee.
Foul on North Texas.
42:12 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [42:12].
42:33 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [42:33].
Foul on WKU.
Foul on WKU.
43:45 Header Shot by NT LAMPE, Brooke, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
43:50 GOAL by NT TORRES, Taylor (FIRST GOAL), Assist by LAMPE, Brooke, goal number 5 for season.

NORTH TEXAS 1, WKU 0
*SHOT TO LOWER RIGHT CORNER
43:54  NT substitution: BRYCE, Mia for NEWELL, Natalie.
43:54  NT substitution: PAULETTE, Caroline for SMITH, Alexis.
43:54  WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for BACKES, Chandler.
45:00  End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
North Texas vs WKU (Oct 01, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #20 CADY, Hannah, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole.
45:00 For NT: #1 BRADLEY, Brooke, #11 NOLAN, Aaliyah, #22 PETERS, Berklee, #15 MCDONOUGH, Natalie, #25 JAMES, Dominique, #16 DEFRAIN, Elle Marie, #4 GERNSBACHER, Katie, #18 NEWELL, Natalie, #19 SANDERS, Carissa, #6 LAWSON, Brittnye, #10 DIAZ, Ariel.
Foul on North Texas.
Foul on WKU.
46:49 Yellow card on WKU JACOBSEN, Avery.
46:50 NT substitution: TORRES, Taylor for NOLAN, Aaliyah.
46:50 NT substitution: NOLAN, Aaliyah for TORRES, Taylor.
47:01 Yellow card on NT DIAZ, Ariel.
49:19 Offside against WKU.
50:30 Corner kick by NT NOLAN, Aaliyah [50:30].
50:34 Header Shot by NT MCDONOUGH, Natalie HIGH.
Foul on WKU.
52:12 Header Shot by NT MCDONOUGH, Natalie, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on WKU.
56:35 Shot by NT GERNSBACHER, Katie WIDE LEFT.
56:46 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for JACOBSEN, Avery.
57:45 Corner kick by NT NOLAN, Aaliyah [57:45].
57:51 Shot by NT PETERS, Berklee, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
58:14 Offside against North Texas.
Foul on WKU.
58:52 Yellow card on WKU BACKES, Chandler.
58:52 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for BACKES, Chandler.
59:23 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
63:31 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for CADY, Hannah.
64:11 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven BLOCKED.
64:20 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna, SAVE BRADLEY, Brooke.
65:50 NT substitution: GUDERIAN, Madeline for PETERS, Berklee.
67:14 NT substitution: LAMPE, Brooke for NOLAN, Aaliyah.
68:28 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole HIGH.
71:35 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for MORRIS, Megan.
74:23 Offside against WKU.
75:40 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
75:40 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for LEONARD, Ashley.
75:40 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
75:40 NT substitution: GERNSBACHER, Katie for BRUFFETT, Logan.
75:40 NT substitution: PETERS, Berklee for NEWELL, Natalie.
75:40 NT substitution: NOLAN, Aaliyah for TORRES, Taylor.
78:19 Corner kick by NT NOLAN, Aaliyah [78:19].
Foul on North Texas.
79:02 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for BRAGADO, Christina.
79:02 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
Foul on WKU.
82:46 Shot by NT PETERS, Berklee HIGH.
83:21 Shot by NT PETERS, Berklee WIDE LEFT.
84:32 Header Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE RIGHT.
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
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84:39 NT substitution: DIAZ, Ariel for NOLAN, Aaliyah.
85:54 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.
86:20 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [86:20].
     Foul on North Texas.
90:00 End of period [90:00].

NORTH TEXAS 1, WKU 0
BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – After a brief homestand in conference play last week, WKU will return to the road and travel south for matches against archrival Middle Tennessee and UAB on Friday evening at 7 p.m. and Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m., respectively.

The Lady Toppers (3-7-1, 0-3-1 C-USA) will be seeking their first victory in conference play this season against the Blue Raiders and the Blazers after dropping a pair of matches against Rice (2-0) and North Texas (1-0) in their two most recent outings. Last season, WKU earned victories over both Middle Tennessee and UAB in Bowling Green, defeating the Blue Raiders 1-0 and earning a 2-0 shutout win over the Blazers.

The offensive trio of Chandler Backes, Sarah Gorham and Hannah Chua enter the weekend as the top attacking threats for the Lady Toppers. The three have each appeared in all 11 matches for WKU this season and have combined for 62 of the team’s 123 shots (50.4 percent); of those 62 shots, the group has played 27 on goal and has accounted for 11 of WKU’s 23 points as a team. Backes’ four goals and two assists both represent team highs for the Lady Toppers.

Across 11 matches in 2017, WKU has limited its opponents to just 11 total goals and has not surrendered more than two goals in a single match. Along with strong play from the back line, goalkeeper Allison Leone’s 0.97 goals against average in 1,020 minutes has helped to keep the Lady Toppers within striking distance in every match this season; Leone has also totaled 55 saves and is just 20 stops short of 300 for her career.

Historically, WKU has found success against both Middle Tennessee and UAB, leading the combined series against the two by a 8-5-7 margin. The Lady Toppers have won two of the three most recent meetings against Middle Tennessee since both have been members of C-USA and hold an undefeated 2-0-1 mark against the Blazers after facing them in each of the last three seasons.

Middle Tennessee (5-5, 2-1 C-USA) enters Friday’s match having won five of its last six outings, including a pair of one-goal victories over Florida Atlantic and FIU last week. Freshman Peyton DePriest is the leading scorer for the Blue Raiders with eight goals, a mark that also ranks second among all C-USA players this season; DePriest has also chipped in two assists and has 18 points in 10 matches.

Nearly half of opponents’ shots (48.1 percent) have been put on goal against Middle Tennessee in 2017 as goalkeeper Sydney Chalcraft has given up 16 goals for a 1.57 goals against average. Chalcraft has played every minute between the posts and earned solo shutouts against Illinois-Chicago and Florida Atlantic and has made 44 saves.

Entering the weekend, UAB (8-1-3, 2-0-1 C-USA) has scored more goals this season (27) than any other team in the league aside from Southern Miss. The Blazers have tallied three or more goals five times and scored five goals in a 5-1 win over FIU last week; in their most recent outing, the Blazers picked up a 1-1 draw on the road at Florida Atlantic.

Amy Brewer and Megan Hudgens lead the offensive attack with six goals apiece for UAB, with Rachel Green trailing just behind with five goals of her own. All three, along with Caroline Kehrer, have scored double-digit points through 12 matches.

Defensively, the Blazers have allowed just nine goals as Kelsey Daugherty has manned the posts for all 1,170 minutes this season. Daugherty has picked up five solo shutouts and owns the top goals against average (0.69) among all C-USA goalkeepers with at least 10 matches played; her 59 saves rank third among C-USA goalkeepers and her .868 save percentage is the top mark in the league.

Following this weekend’s matches, the Lady Toppers will return to the WKU Soccer Complex for a pair of bouts against Florida Atlantic and FIU next weekend. WKU is set to square off with the Owls at 6 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 13, before battling the Panthers on Sunday, Oct. 15, at 1 p.m. Both matches will be broadcast on C-USA TV and as with all home matches this season, admission will be free for all fans.
WKU FALLOWS 1-0 AT MIDDLE TENNESSEE FRIDAY EVENING

PDF Box Score Attached

UAB Live Stream: conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=2986
UAB Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/uab/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU used a strong offensive push over the final 15 minutes as it sought an equalizer on Friday evening, but could not overcome a first-half goal in a 1-0 setback against Middle Tennessee at the Dean A. Hayes Track and Soccer Stadium.

Sarah Gorham and Chandler Backes each had a match-high three shots, and all three of Backes’ opportunities were put on goal. Megan Morris also had a pair of shots on goal for the Lady Toppers (3-8-1, 0-4-1 C-USA), who held a 17-7 advantage in shots over Middle Tennessee and an 8-3 edge in shots on goal.

In goal for the Lady Toppers, Allison Leone played the full 90 minutes, making a pair of saves while giving up only DePriest’s goal in the 17th minute.

For Middle Tennessee (6-5, 3-1 C-USA), DePriest, Amber Hoot and Sally Gill each had two shots apiece, and Charlotte Van Ishoven added the final shot of the evening for the Blue Raiders. Despite being held in check offensively throughout the match, Middle Tennessee took the early lead on DePriest’s goal and held on over the final minutes for the win.

Sydney Chalcraft earned the victory between the posts for Middle Tennessee, collecting eight saves across 90 minutes of action.

Neither side threatened over the first 15 minutes of the match before DePriest put the Blue Raiders up 1-0 at the 16:38 mark. Sam DeBien crossed the ball into the box looking for the team’s leading scorer, and DePriest caught the cross with a volley into the back of the net to give Middle Tennessee the early advantage.

After falling behind, WKU peppered Chalcraft and the Blue Raider defense throughout the remainder of the first half, tallying five shots including three on goal. Backes tallied the first shot on goal in the 25th minute, followed by chances from Victoria Mayo in the 34th minute and Morris on the final shot of the half from either side at the 40:10 mark. Despite the strong offensive pressure, WKU trailed the Blue Raiders 1-0 entering the halftime break.

Both sides came out of the locker room with a shot on goal in the first 10 minutes of the second half. Backes again nearly pulled the Lady Toppers level on a strong shot in the 52nd minute, while Leone made a save on Van Ishoven to prevent the Blue Raiders from doubling their lead. Both sides also had one corner kick opportunity apiece to open the half, but could not capitalize on the set pieces. Off a corner kick from Nahyo Jalajel, Hannah Cady came close to equalizing the match in the 65th minute. With the ball played in from the corner, Cady turned and fired on goal only to have her chance blocked away by a Blue Raider defender. Five minutes later, Gorham also had an opportunity hit a defender to end the Lady Topper attack.

Over the final 15 minutes of play, WKU had a number of chances to find the back of the net. Aleksandra Kozovic struck the post at the 75:05 mark and the Lady Toppers pushed forward over the final 10 minutes, notching three shots on goal against Chalcraft from Shayna Dheel, Backes and Morris. Even with the added pressure, however, WKU was unable to find a late equalizer as the Blue Raiders held on for the 1-0 victory.

WKU will return to action on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. as the Lady Toppers travel to Birmingham, Ala., to take on UAB. The Lady Toppers own a 2-0-1 record all-time against the Blazers and captured a 2-0 victory in Bowling Green on Oct. 9, 2016, last season in the most recent meeting between the two sides.
WKU vs Middle Tennessee (Oct 06, 2017 at Murfreesboro, Tenn.)

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WKU (3-8-1, 0-4-1) vs. Middle Tennessee (6-5, 3-1)

Date: Oct 06, 2017 • Attendance: 659

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Cautions and ejections:

Win-CHALCRAFT, Sydney (6-5). Loss-LEONE, Allison (3-8-1).
Stadium: Dean A. Hayes

Officials: Referee: Daniel Radford; Asst. Referee: Caleb Nobles; Lucy Bell;
Alt. Official: Dennis Beard; Timekeeper: Gabby Spencer; Scorer: Janelle Johnson;
Offsides: WKU 0, Middle Tennessee 0.

Official's signature
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
WKU vs Middle Tennessee (Oct 06, 2017 at Murfreesboro, Tenn.)

WKU Starters:  | Middle Tennessee Starters:  
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1 LEONE, Allison | 1 CHALCRAFT, Sydney  
2 CHUA, Hannah | 3 HATCH, Taylor  
6 GOODMAN, Paige | 4 RIEMER, Casey  
10 GORHAM, Sarah | 8 DEBIEN, Sam  
12 JACOBSEN, Avery | 10 COX, Cameron  
14 BRYANT, Kaylyn | 12 DEPRIEST, Peyton  
17 BRAGADO, Christina | 17 ENGELHARD, Carolin  
19 DHEEL, Shayna | 19 VAN ISHOVEN, Charlot  
25 BISHOP, Tally | 20 NAVARRO, Sydney  
31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra | 22 HOOT, Amber  
33 ROSELAND, Nicole | 23 GILL, Sally  

00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.  
00:00 CHALCRAFT, Sydney at goalie for Middle Tennessee.  
05:17 Shot by MT HOOK, Amber WIDE.  
08:49 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [08:49].  
08:49 Foul on WKU.  
16:38 GOAL by MT DEPRIEST, Peyton (FIRST GOAL), Assist by DEBIEN, Sam, goal number 9 for season.

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*passed across box and volleyed in  
17:38 Shot by MT DEPRIEST, Peyton BLOCKED.  
18:01 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.  
18:01 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for GOODMAN, Paige.  
24:04 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.  
24:22 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [24:22].  
24:22 Foul on Middle Tennessee.  
26:55 MT substitution: WATTS, Elizabeth for HATCH, Taylor.  
28:27 Shot by MT GILL, Sally HIGH.  
31:37 WKU substitution: MAYO, Victoria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.  
33:29 Shot by WKU MAYO, Victoria, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.  
35:16 Shot by MT HOOK, Amber, SAVE LEONE, Allison.  
35:54 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.  
35:54 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.  
35:54 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for BRYANT, Kaylyn.  
37:37 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven BLOCKED.  
38:08 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [38:08].  
38:38 Shot by WKU LEONARD, Ashley HIGH.  
39:56 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [39:56].  
40:10 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.  
41:07 MT substitution: JONES, Harriet for HOOK, Amber.  
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)

WKU vs Middle Tennessee (Oct 06, 2017 at Murfreesboro, Tenn.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For MT: #1 CHALCRAFT, Sydney, #3 HATCH, Taylor, #4 Riemer, Casey, #8 DEBIEN, Sam, #10 COX, Cameron, #12 DEPRIEST, Peyton, #17 ENGELHARD, Carolin, #19 VAN ISHOVEN, Charlot, #20 NAVARRO, Sydney, #22 HOOT, Amber, #23 GILL, Sally.
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #11 JACKSON, Deven, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #3 MAYO, Victoria.

51:41 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.
51:57 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [51:57].
53:03 Shot by MT VAN ISHOVEN, Charlot, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
53:24 Corner kick by MT HATCH, Taylor [53:24].
54:19 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MAYO, Victoria. Foul on Middle Tennessee.
57:18 WKU substitution: Cady, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
57:18 WKU substitution: GORHAM, Sarah for ROSELAND, Nicole.
57:18 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
58:38 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven HIGH.
60:07 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.
61:33 Corner kick by MT HATCH, Taylor [61:33].
63:45 Corner kick by WKU JALAJEL, Nahyo [63:45].
64:06 Shot by WKU CADY, Hannah BLOCKED.
64:13 MT substitution: WATTS, Elizabeth for HATCH, Taylor.
68:58 MT substitution: SCHRICKER, Madeleine for DEBIEN, Sam. Foul on Middle Tennessee.
70:21 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.
71:59 Shot by MT GILL, Sally HIGH.
72:08 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for BACKES, Chandler.
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72:08 WKU substitution: ROSELAND, Nicole for JACKSON, Deven.
72:08 MT substitution: FLETEMEYER, Annica for HOOT, Amber.
73:42 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [73:42].
73:56 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole BLOCKED.
75:05 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra HIT POST.
75:59 MT substitution: DEBIEN, Sam for SCHRICKER, Madeleine.
77:56 Corner kick by MT GILL, Sally [77:56].
78:35 Corner kick by MT GILL, Sally [78:35].
80:13 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.
80:44 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
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80:44 MT substitution: HOOT, Amber for FLETEMEYER, Annica.
81:59 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna HIGH.
85:29 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.
85:41 MT substitution: PALMER, Alexandra for WATTS, Elizabeth.
86:10 Corner kick by MT GILL, Sally [86:10]. Foul on WKU.
89:46 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE CHALCRAFT, Sydney.
89:50 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.
90:00 End of period [90:00].

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SUNDAY MATCH AT UAB CANCELED DUE TO INCLEMENT WEATHER

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – Due to inclement weather with heavy rain and wind associated with Hurricane Nate, WKU Soccer’s match at UAB initially scheduled for Sunday afternoon has been canceled with a makeup date yet to be determined.

Originally scheduled for 1 p.m. Sunday afternoon, the match had been moved up to an 11 a.m. first kick in an effort to beat the weather but was still unable to be played. The Lady Toppers (3-8-1, 0-4-1 C-USA) are now set to return to action on Friday evening at 6 p.m. as they host Florida Atlantic at the WKU Soccer Complex. Admission for all fans will be free for the event.
WKU WELCOMES FLORIDA ATLANTIC, FIU IN HOME WEEKEND BATTLES

Florida Atlantic Live Stream: conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=3416
FIU Live Stream: conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=3417
Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU is set to host a pair of weekend matches at the WKU Soccer Complex, beginning with a tilt against Florida Atlantic at 6 p.m. on Friday evening before a matchup on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. against FIU.

The Lady Toppers (3-8-1, 0-4-1 C-USA) will be seeking their first victory in conference play this season against the Owls and Panthers. Last week, WKU fell in a tight 1-0 decision at Middle Tennessee, and its match at UAB originally scheduled for Sunday afternoon was cancelled and rescheduled for Oct. 29 at 1 p.m. in Birmingham.

The offensive trio of Chandler Backes, Sarah Gorham and Hannah Chua enter the weekend as the top attacking threats for the Lady Toppers. The three have each appeared in all 12 matches for WKU this season and have combined for 68 of the team’s 140 shots (48.6 percent); of those 68 shots, the group has placed 31 on goal and has accounted for 11 of WKU’s 23 points as a team. Backes’ four goals and two assists both represent team highs for the Lady Toppers.

Across 12 matches in 2017, WKU has limited its opponents to just 12 total goals and has not surrendered more than two goals in a single match. Along with strong play from the back line, goalkeeper Allison Leone’s 0.97 goals against average in 1,110 minutes has helped to keep the Lady Toppers within striking distance in every match this season; Leone has also totaled 57 saves and is just 18 stops short of 300 for her career.

Historically, WKU has found success against both Florida Atlantic and FIU, leading the combined series against the two by a 13-8-5 margin. Since joining C-USA, the Lady Toppers are 2-1-1 in the combined series; WKU is still seeking its first C-USA win over Florida Atlantic, but has earned a pair of 1-0 victories over FIU in both C-USA meetings between the two sides. In Bowling Green against the Owls and Panthers, WKU is a combined 8-1-2 in the all-time series.

Florida Atlantic (7-6-2, 2-3-1 C-USA) enters Friday’s match coming off a heartbreaking 3-2 loss at Charlotte last Sunday afternoon. The Owls took a 2-0 lead on the 49ers following goals early in each half, but Charlotte fired back with three goals in the final 34 minutes, including the match-winner from Martha Thomas in the 85th minute, to claim the comeback win.

Ebba Blomqvist leads the Owls with four goals this season and is one of four Florida Atlantic players with three or more goals, joining Elisha Holmes, Pernille Velta and Miracle Porter. Velta is the team’s leading point-scorer with three goals and a team-best four assists on the season, and Asta Arnadottir is the team’s leader with 12 shots on goal in 2017.

In goal, Jennifer Ocampo has played every minute between the posts for the Owls, making 67 saves with a 1.23 goals against average across 1,396 minutes of play. Ocampo has collected four solo shutouts against Eastern Michigan, Valparaiso, Oakand and Old Dominion this season and has surrendered just 19 goals across 15 matches.

Entering the weekend, FIU (1-9, 0-5 C-USA) enters Friday’s match coming off a heartbreaking 3-2 loss at Charlotte last Sunday afternoon. The Owls took a 2-0 lead on the 49ers following goals early in each half, but Charlotte fired back with three goals in the final 34 minutes, including the match-winner from Martha Thomas in the 85th minute, to claim the comeback win.

Nevena Stojakovic has been the lone goalkeeper for the Panthers this season, allowing 19 goals in 905 minutes while collecting 57 saves for a 1.89 goals against average.

Following this weekend’s matches, the Lady Toppers will travel to San Antonio, Texas, for a single-match road trip at UTSA next Thursday, Oct. 19, at 7 p.m. WKU owns a perfect 3-0 record all-time against the Roadrunners, including a 2-0 shutout victory in Bowling Green this season. Gorham netted the breakthrough goal for the Lady Toppers in the 88th minute in that win, and Iris Dunn doubled the WKU lead less than one minute later to claim the victory.
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS
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Women’s Soccer / Contact: Currie McFayden, Associate Director of Athletic Communications/Media
Relations
WKU PICKS UP 1-0 VICTORY OVER FLORIDA ATLANTIC FRIDAY EVENING
PDF Box Score Attached
Head Coach Jason Neidell Interview: youtu.be/Q-eLaGjuSI8
Senior Hannah Chua Interview: youtu.be/CxJS2iY6wPg

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – Freshman Tally Bishop shined for WKU Soccer on Friday evening, scoring the
match-winning goal in the ninth minute off an assist from Hannah Chua to give the Lady Toppers a 1-0
victory over Florida Atlantic at the WKU Soccer Complex.
The Lady Toppers (4-8-1, 1-4-1 C-USA) claimed their first C-USA victory of the season and snapped a
three-match losing streak. Florida Atlantic (7-7-2, 2-4-1 C-USA) dropped their second straight one-goal
decision after also falling 3-2 at Charlotte last Sunday afternoon.

Bishop led all players with four shots on the night, three of which were put on goal. Chua also tallied a
pair of shots in addition to her assist, while Megan Morris and Hannah Cady also collected shots on goal.

Allison Leone collected her fourth solo shutout of the season while playing the full 90 minutes in goal for
the Lady Toppers; the senior was pressed into action for just one save against the Owls’ offensive attack.
For Florida Atlantic, Pernille Velta had a team-high three shots, and both Mary O’Hara and Asta
Arnadottir had two shots apiece on the evening. Velta also notched the Owls’ lone shot on goal as the
Lady Toppers’ defense held strong for much of the 90 minutes of play.

In goal for the Owls, Jennifer Ocampo played the full 90 minutes, surrendering only Bishop’s goal while
making four saves.

After having its first shot of the night from Chua blocked in the sixth minute, Bishop fired home a shot
from the right post to give the Lady Toppers an early 1-0 lead. Chua played the ball across the box to the
right side of the net, and Bishop’s right-footed effort found the top left corner of the goal for the go-
ahead score.

Following a corner kick in the 20th minute, Florida Atlantic nearly pulled even on a try from Velta. With
space at the edge of the box, Velta fired on goal but was stonewalled by Leone to put an end to the
attack.

Bishop nearly doubled WKU’s lead at the 36:19 mark with another strong shot from inside the box. The
freshman fired hard toward goal, but her effort went just to the right of the goal and did not press
Ocampo into action. Neither side managed another shot on goal ahead of the halftime break, and WKU
carried its 1-0 edge into the locker room.

For the first 25 minutes of the second half, neither side could put a shot on goal. Bishop again nearly
added to her scoreline in the 73rd minute on a through-ball played up from the midfield; the freshman
connected on the chance with her head, but the shot bounced into the hands of Ocampo to maintain
the 1-0 score.

WKU’s defense buckled down over the final 10 minutes of the match, allowing only one shot by the
Owls over that span. O’Hara’s chance with just over two minutes remaining sailed wide left of the goal
as the Lady Toppers held strong to claim the 1-0 victory.

WKU will close out its weekend homestand on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. as the Lady Toppers host FIU
for their annual Kick for Pink match. Admission is free for all fans, and donations will be accepted at the
gate for the Friends of Jaclyn Foundation to benefit children battling pediatric brain tumors and other
childhood cancers and to raise awareness through their Adopt-A-Child, Safe on the Sidelines and
Guardian Angel programs.
## Soccer Box Score (Final)
### 2017 Lady Topper Soccer
### Florida Atlantic vs WKU (Oct 13, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

**Florida Atlantic** 7-7-2 (2-4-1 C-USA) vs. **WKU** 4-8-1 (1-4-1 C-USA)

**Date:** Oct 13, 2017 • **Attendance:** 259

**Weather:**

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**Cautions and ejections:**

Win-LEONE, Allison (4-8-1). Loss-OCAMPO, Jennifer (7-7-2).

Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex

Officials: Referee: Timothy Debysingh; Asst. Referee: Caleb Nobles; Brooke Mayo;
Alt. Official: Ronnie Cowan; Scorer: Currie McFayden;

Offsides: Florida Atlantic 1, WKU 3.

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Official's signature
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
Florida Atlantic vs WKU (Oct 13, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Florida Atlantic Starters:
GK 0 OCAMPO, Jennifer
F  5 HOLMES, Elisha
MF 9 BLOMQVIST, Ebba
MF 10 O'HARA, Mary
MF 13 ARNADOTTIR, Asta
D 18 CALDWELL, Madison
D 19 MAXSON, Alex
D 25 BATISTE, Marli
F 26 VELTA, Pernille
F 28 VITOLS, Sammy
D 37 KITTERMAN, Ashlyn

WKU Starters:
GK 1 LEONE, Allison
D 14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
D 17 BRAGADO, Christina
D 15 JALAJEL, Nahyo
D 9 MORRIS, Megan
D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole
MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
MF 10 GORHAM, Nicole
F 5 BACKES, Sarah
F 25 BISHOP, Tally

00:00 OCAMPO, Jennifer at goalie for Florida Atlantic.
00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
00:25 Shot by FAUW VELTA, Pernille BLOCKED.
00:49 Corner kick by FAUW VITOLS, Sammy [00:49].
00:59 Offside against Florida Atlantic.
  Foul on WKU.
  Foul on WKU.
  Foul on Florida Atlantic.
05:55 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah BLOCKED.
08:46 GOAL by WKU BISHOP, Tally (FIRST GOAL), Assist by CHUA, Hannah, goal number 2 for season.

FLORIDA ATLANTIC 0, WKU 1

*played to right post, shot to left corner
  Foul on WKU.
12:46 Corner kick by FAUW ARNADOTTIR, Asta [12:46].
14:48 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah HIGH.
19:14 Corner kick by FAUW VITOLS, Sammy [19:14].
19:45 Shot by FAUW VELTA, Pernille, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
20:08 Corner kick by FAUW ARNADOTTIR, Asta [20:08].
20:15 Shot by FAUW O'HARA, Mary BLOCKED.
22:03 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE OCAMPO, Jennifer.
  Foul on WKU.
26:03 FAUW substitution: MONTEIRO, Jessica for O'HARA, Mary.
30:07 Corner kick by FAUW ARNADOTTIR, Asta [30:07].
30:39 FAUW substitution: HAGA, Tiril for HOLMES, Elisha.
30:39 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
30:39 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
33:07 Offside against WKU.
35:13 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BACKES, Chandler.
35:13 FAUW substitution: MASTROBUONO, Alex for VITOLS, Sammy.
35:13 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
36:19 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally WIDE RIGHT.
  Foul on WKU.
38:59 FAUW substitution: GODOY, Mimi for VELTA, Pernille.
38:59 FAUW substitution: CARTER, Lucy for BLOMQVIST, Ebba.
41:40 Shot by FAUW ARNADOTTIR, Asta WIDE RIGHT.
41:43 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
41:43 WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for MORRIS, Megan.
43:56 Shot by WKU MOSLEY, Bria BLOCKED.
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
Florida Atlantic vs WKU (Oct 13, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

Foul on WKU.
45:00  End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
Florida Atlantic vs WKU (Oct 13, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #2 CHUA, Hannah, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #31 KOZOVIĆ, Aleksandra, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #1 LEONE, Allison.
45:00 For FAUW: #0 OCAMPO,Jennifer, #13 ARNADOTTIR, Asta, #18 CALDWELL, Madison, #9 BLOMQVIST, Ebba, #25 BATISTE, Marli, #10 O'HARA, Mary, #37 KITTERMAN, Ashlyn, #28 VITOLS, Sammy, #00 MONTEIRO, Jessica, #19 MAXSON, Alex, #5 HOLMES, Elisha. Foul on Florida Atlantic.
46:45 Shot by FAUW ARNADOTTIR, Asta WIDE LEFT.
49:58 Offside against WKU. Foul on Florida Atlantic.
53:18 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler BLOCKED. Foul on Florida Atlantic.
60:23 FAUW substitution: VELTA, Pernille for ARNADOTTIR, Asta.
60:23 FAUW substitution: HAGA, Tiril for HOLMES, Elisha. Foul on Florida Atlantic.
62:25 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
62:25 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
63:29 Shot by FAUW VELTA, Pernille WIDE LEFT.
64:37 Shot by FAUW MONTEIRO, Jessica WIDE LEFT.
64:40 FAUW substitution: PUNG, Maddie for BLOMQVIST, Ebba. Foul on Florida Atlantic.
69:52 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIĆ, Aleksandra [69:52].
70:32 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE LEFT.
70:44 FAUW substitution: ARNADOTTIR, Asta for VITOLS, Sammy.
72:27 Header Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE OCAMPO,Jennifer.
74:26 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven BLO ducked.
74:33 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for BISHOP, Tally.
74:33 FAUW substitution: HOLMES, Elisha for HAGA, Tiril.
74:33 FAUW substitution: CARTER, Lucy for O'HARA, Mary.
75:02 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIĆ, Aleksandra [75:02].
75:15 WKU substitution: ROSELAND, Nicole for CHUA, Hannah.
76:15 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for KOZOVIĆ, Aleksandra. Foul on Florida Atlantic.
77:35 Shot by WKU CADY, Hannah, SAVE OCAMPO,Jennifer.
78:02 WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
79:36 Shot by FAUW HOLMES, Elisha BLO ducked.
79:53 Corner kick by FAUW ARNADOTTIR, Asta [79:53].
81:00 Corner kick by FAUW CARTER, Lucy [81:00].
82:13 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for CADY, Hannah.
82:13 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for JACKSON, Deven.
82:13 FAUW substitution: BLOMQVIST, Ebba for MAXSON, Alex.
82:13 FAUW substitution: O'HARA, Mary for MONTEIRO, Jessica.
83:20 WKU substitution: KOZOVIĆ, Aleksandra for DHEEL, Shayna.
83:57 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIĆ, Aleksandra [83:57].
85:11 Offside against WKU.
86:15 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE OCAMPO,Jennifer.
87:37 Shot by FAUW O'HARA, Mary WIDE LEFT.
90:00 End of period [90:00].

FLORIDA ATLANTIC 0, WKU 1
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WKU SWEEPS WEEKEND, TAKES DOWN FIU 2-0 SUNDAY AFTERNOON

PDF Box Score Attached
Head Coach Jason Neidell Interview: youtu.be/xDPrdopjILo
Freshman Tally Bishop Interview: youtu.be/tBbCajmJxJU

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – On a windy afternoon at the WKU Soccer Complex, WKU netted a pair of first-half goals from Chandler Backes and Tally Bishop and held FIU off the board to earn a 2-0 victory on Sunday.

The Lady Toppers (5-8-1, 2-4-1 C-USA) claimed their fifth shutout of the season and second in a row after also shutting out Florida Atlantic on Friday evening. WKU has not allowed a goal in 252 consecutive minutes dating back to the match at Middle Tennessee on Oct. 6.

Bishop found the back of the net for the second straight match for WKU, while Backes moved into a tie for 10th place on the program’s all-time career goalscoring list with her strike in the 16th minute. Only a sophomore, Backes has collected 15 goals in 33 matches on The Hill, five of which have come this season.

WKU held a 12-6 edge in total shots and a 5-3 advantage in shots on goal over the Panthers on the afternoon, led by a match-high trio of shots from Bishop. Backes also had a pair of shots, and both Avery Jacobsen and Deven Jackson put one shot on goal apiece.

For FIU (1-11, 0-7 C-USA), Michaela Rouse had a pair of shots on goal and Emily Baragar added one more as the Panthers were held in check by the stout WKU defense for much of the afternoon.

Allison Leone notched her fifth solo shutout while playing all 90 minutes and making three saves for WKU, and FIU’s Nevena Stojakovic also manned the posts for all 90 minutes, surrendering the two early goals and making three stops.

As the action played out in the midfield over the first 15 minutes of the match, neither side placed a shot on goal. WKU had three chances, including a long direct free kick from Aleksandra Kozovic that nearly sneaked under the crossbar, and FIU was forced on its heels to defend against the early attacks from the Lady Toppers.

Backes broke through at the 15:28 mark to give the Lady Toppers an early 1-0 edge. Shayna Dheel played the ball in from the right side of the box to the foot of Sarah Gorham, who sent a low pass to Backes in the center of the box. With space, the sophomore collected the ball and beat Stojakovic to the lower right corner for her fifth tally of the year.

Just over 10 minutes later, the Lady Toppers doubled their lead on a strike from Bishop. Hannah Chua played the ball down and into the box to set up the freshman, whose strike found the top center of the goal past Stojakovic to hand WKU a 2-0 edge midway through the opening half.

Leone came up with a stop against Rouse with just over five minutes left in the half to maintain the 2-0 scoreline through the halftime break.

Coming out of the locker room, the wind turned gusty as it blew toward WKU’s goal, preventing both sides from relying on aerial passes down the field. Much like she did to close the first half, Leone came out with a stop for the Lady Toppers in the 58th minute, collecting a headed effort from Rouse after a cross into the box.

In the 79th minute, Hannah Cady nearly added a third goal to WKU’s total on a cross into the box from Dheel. The senior played the ball in from the left side as Cady took position at the right post, but her header grazed the ball and was not able to get enough power as the chance went wide right of the goal.

Both goalkeepers made saves in the final five minutes, including a strong stop to deny Jackson as the clock wound down at the very end of the match, as WKU held on to seal the 2-0 shutout victory.

WKU will return to the pitch next Thursday, Oct. 19, at 7 p.m. as the Lady Toppers make the long trip west to square off against UTSA. The two sides have met three times in program history, battling once in each of the last three seasons, and WKU holds a perfect 3-0 edge in the series over the Roadrunners. In the most recent meeting, the Lady Toppers claimed a 2-0 decision over UTSA in Bowling Green on Oct. 20, 2016, last season.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
FIU vs WKU (Oct 15, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

FIU1-11 (0-7 C-USA) vs.
WKU5-8-1 (2-4-1 C-USA)
Date: Oct 15, 2017 • Attendance: 221
Weather: 73F, Light Showers

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Cautions and ejections:

YC-FIUW #16 (84:45)

Win-LEONE, Allison (5-8-1). Loss-STOJAKOVIC, Nevena (1-11-0).

Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex
Officials: Referee: Curt Berry; Asst. Referee: James Sherer; Benjamin Kadric;
Alt. Official: Timothy Stewart; Scorer: Currie McFayden;
Offsides: FIU 0, WKU 1.
**Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)**
**FIU vs WKU (Oct 15, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)**

### FIU Starters:
- GK 1 STOJAKOVIC, Nevena
- F 2 MOSS, Sierra
- MF 3 PHILLIPS, Courtney
- MF 4 HINTON, Lauren
- MF 10 QUINTERO, Paula
- F 13 WILSON, Grace
- D 16 BARAGAR, Emily
- D 19 COFFEE, Taylor
- F 21 ADAMS, Ashley
- F 23 MORENO, Michelle

### WKU Starters:
- GK 1 LEONE, Allison
- D 17 BRAGADO, Christina
- D 12 JACOBSEN, Avery
- D 15 JALAJEL, Nahyo
- D 19 DHEEL, Shayna
- D 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
- MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole
- MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
- MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah
- F 5 BACKES, Chandler
- F 25 BISHOP, Tally

*00:00* STOJAKOVIC, Nevena at goalie for FIU.
*00:00* LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
*02:42* Shot by WKU JALAJEL, Nahyo BLOCKED.
*03:08* Offside against WKU.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on FIU.
Foul on FIU.
*10:58* Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra HIGH.
Foul on FIU.
Foul on FIU.
*14:46* Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally WIDE RIGHT.
*15:28* GOAL by WKU BACKES, Chandler (FIRST GOAL), Assist by GORHAM, Sarah and DHEEL, Shayna, goal number 5 for season.

**FIU 0, WKU 1**

*shot to low right corner
*16:05* Corner kick by FIUW QUINTERO, Paula [16:05].
*16:13* Shot by FIUW PHILLIPS, Courtney BLOCKED.
*16:18* Shot by FIUW WILSON, Grace BLOCKED.
Foul on FIU.
*18:30* Shot by WKU JACOBSEN, Avery, SAVE STOJAKOVIC, Nevena.
Foul on WKU.
*21:11* WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
*21:11* WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
*21:11* WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
Foul on FIU.
*22:24* FIUW substitution: BREEDLOVE, Angel for MORENO, Michelle.
*23:16* Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE STOJAKOVIC, Nevena.
*24:33* Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [24:33].
*26:23* GOAL by WKU BISHOP, Tally, Assist by CHUA, Hannah, goal number 3 for season.

**FIU 0, WKU 2**

*collected pass from 2, shot to high center
*28:43* Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [28:43].
*30:12* WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
*30:12* FIUW substitution: JAMES, Asha for PHILLIPS, Courtney.
*30:12* FIUW substitution: ROUSE, Michaela for WILSON, Grace.
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
FIU vs WKU (Oct 15, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

30:45 Corner kick by WKU JACKSON, Deven [30:45].
32:05 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.
34:30 Shot by FIUW DE ALMAGRO, Isabella BLOCKED.
34:54 Corner kick by FIUW DE ALMAGRO, Isabella [34:54].
39:18 Shot by FIUW ROUSE, Michaela, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
   Foul on FIU.
   Foul on WKU.
44:41 Shot by WKU LEONARD, Ashley HIGH.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
FIU vs WKU (Oct 15, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #11 JACKSON, Deven, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #19 DHEEL, Shayna.
45:00 For FIUW: #1 STOJAKOVIC, Nevena, #6 JAMES, Asha, #18 ROUSE, Michaela, #4 HINTON, Lauren, #10 QUINTERO, Paula, #21 ADAMS, Ashley, #2 MOSS, Sierra, #16 BARAGAR, Emily, #7 DE ALMAGRO, Isabella, #26 BREEDLOVE, Angel, #19 COFFEE, Taylor.

Foul on WKU.

46:46 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE LEFT.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on WKU.

57:01 Header Shot by FIUW ROUSE, Michaela, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on FIU.

59:52 FIUW substitution: GRIFFIN, Amira for JAMES, Asha.
59:52 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
59:52 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
59:52 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JACKSON, Deven.

Foul on WKU.

61:19 FIUW substitution: WILSON, Grace for ROUSE, Michaela.
Foul on FIU.

66:45 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
Foul on FIU.

71:55 FIUW substitution: PHILLIPS, Courtney for ADAMS, Ashley.
73:04 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for BISHOP, Tally.

Foul on FIU.

77:11 FIUW substitution: ROUSE, Michaela for HINTON, Lauren.
78:51 Header Shot by WKU CADY, Hannah WIDE RIGHT.
78:56 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for CADY, Hannah.
Foul on FIU.

83:00 FIUW substitution: ADAMS, Ashley for DE ALMAGRO, Isabella.
84:45 Yellow card on FIUW BARAGAR, Emily.
Foul on FIU.

84:48 Shot by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole HIGH.
85:45 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.

87:38 Shot by FIUW BARAGAR, Emily, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
89:56 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven, SAVE STOJAKOVIC, Nevena.

90:00 End of period [90:00].

FIU 0, WKU 2
WKU ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS / MEDIA RELATIONS
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Women’s Soccer / Contact: Currie McFayden, Associate Director of Athletic Communications/Media Relations

BRAGADO, LEONE EARN C-USA PLAYER OF THE WEEK HONORS

Christina Bragado and Allison Leone Headshots Attached

IRVING, Texas – For the second time in the last month, Christina Bragado and Allison Leone have been named the C-USA Defensive Player of the Week and Goalkeeper of the Week, respectively, as announced by the conference office on Monday afternoon.

The honor is Bragado’s second career nod from the conference, while Leone is now WKU’s all-time record holder for weekly awards, notching her second of the season and fourth of her career with the accolades.

WKU (5-8-1, 2-4-1 C-USA) put together a 2-0 record over the weekend with shutout victories over both Florida Atlantic on Friday evening (1-0) and FIU on Sunday afternoon (2-0) at the WKU Soccer Complex. With the pair of wins, the Lady Toppers are now just three points out of a conference tournament spot with three matches to play.

Acting as the anchor of the back line at center back as she has all season, Bragado held the Owls and Panthers to only four combined shots on goal across 180 minutes of action. The sophomore and the Lady Topper defense shined in the second half on Sunday afternoon as gusty winds struck the Soccer Complex, making defending unpredictable. Despite the adverse conditions, WKU allowed just two shots over the final 45 minutes to complete the shutout against FIU.

In goal, Leone collected her fourth and fifth solo shutouts of the season, mark that ranks second among all C-USA goalkeepers in 2017. The senior made timely saves throughout the weekend to keep WKU’s opponents off the board, including a stop against Florida Atlantic just after Tally Bishop’s match-winner on Friday and saves on either side of the halftime break on Sunday against FIU. With three saves on Sunday, Leone is now just 14 shy of reaching 300 stops for her career.

Under Bragado and Leone, the WKU defense has held its opponents scoreless for the last 252 consecutive minutes dating back to the Middle Tennessee match on Oct. 6. The Lady Toppers have allowed just 12 goals in 13 matches this season and have surrendered more than a single goal on just three occasions; only North Texas (9) has allowed fewer goals this season among C-USA members.

Bragado, Leone and the Lady Toppers will return to action on Thursday evening at 7 p.m. as WKU travels west to take on UTSA. The Lady Toppers own a perfect 3-0 mark in the all-time series against the Roadrunners, including a 2-0 win in Bowling Green last season.
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LADY TOPPERS HEAD WEST AGAINST UTSA THURSDAY EVENING

UTSA Live Stream: conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=3194
UTSA Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/utsa/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – WKU Soccer will take its longest C-USA trip away from home of the season on Thursday evening, going on the road to take on UTSA at 7 p.m at the Park West Athletics Complex in San Antonio, Texas.

The Lady Toppers (5-8-1, 2-4-1 C-USA) are coming off a pair of home victories over Florida Atlantic and FIU last weekend, picking up six vital points in the C-USA standings in the process. Heading into Thursday night’s match, WKU sits three points out of the eighth and final qualifying spot for the C-USA Tournament with three matches left to play.

Chandler Backes netted her team-leading fifth goal of the season against FIU on Sunday afternoon, moving into a tie for 10th place on WKU’s all-time career chart in the category as well. In just 33 matches on The Hill, the sophomore has found the back of the net 15 times to match Morgan Thomas’ goalscoring mark. Backes is now just three goals shy of passing Betsy Duncan for ninth place in all-time goals among Lady Toppers.

Freshman Tally Bishop made her mark in WKU’s victories last weekend, notching the match-winner against Florida Atlantic before adding the insurance goal to secure the win over FIU. The Nashville, Tenn., native now has three goals on the season, including another match-winner in the season opener at Lipscomb on Aug. 18.

Defensively, WKU sports both the reigning C-USA Defensive Player of the Week in Christina Bragado and the Goalkeeper of the Week with Allison Leone. Bragado, who has started every match at center back in 2017, claimed the honor for the second time this season after leading the Lady Toppers’ defense to a pair of shutouts; under Bragado’s watch, WKU has also not surrendered a goal in 252 consecutive minutes dating back to Oct. 6.

Leone, one of the top goalkeepers in program history, made four combined saves against the Owls and Panthers last weekend to register her fourth and fifth solo shutouts of the season. The senior now has 27 for her career, the second-best mark in school history, and 286 saves, which trail only Meredith Goodson and Libby Stout on the WKU charts. With her Goalkeeper of the Week honor, Leone also became the most decorated weekly award winner in WKU Soccer history, bringing home her fourth career honor and second this season.

UTSA (2-12, 1-6 C-USA) enters Thursday’s match on a five-match skid, with its last victory coming in a 1-0 decision on the road at Middle Tennessee on Sept. 24. The Roadrunners have netted only eight goals in 14 matches this season, led by four strikes from freshman Ellis Patterson. Channing Machen has tallied three goals for UTSA, while Marianne Hernandez notched the final score for the Roadrunners.

In goal, the Roadrunners have split time between Michelle Cole and Gabriella Mariello, with Cole playing 745 minutes and Mariello manning the posts for 515 minutes. Mariello sports a 1.92 goals against average with 11 goals surrendered and 25 saves, while Cole has given up 27 goals and made 49 stops for a 3.26 goals against average. In total, UTSA has given up 38 goals in 2017, the most of any team in C-USA.

WKU holds a perfect 3-0 record in the all-time series against the Roadrunners, defeating UTSA once in each of the last three seasons since joining C-USA. In the most recent meeting between the two sides, the Lady Toppers claimed a 2-0 win in rainy conditions behind two late goals from Sarah Gorham (88th minute) and Iris Dunn (89th minute) in Bowling Green.

Following Thursday’s match, the Lady Toppers will be back in action for their regular season home finale next Friday, Oct. 27, at 6 p.m at the WKU Soccer Complex as they square off against Marshall. WKU will honor each of its five seniors; Leone, Nahyo Jalajel, Shayna Dheel, Bria Mosley and Hannah Chua; in a post-match ceremony following the bout with the Thundering Herd.
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WKU RIDES BIG SECOND HALF PAST UTSA IN 3-1 ROAD VICTORY

PDF Box Score Attached

SAN ANTONIO, Texas – Three second-half goals, including a direct free kick from Aleksandra Kozovic in the 47th minute, spurred WKU to a 3-1 victory on the road at UTSA’s Park West Athletics Complex on Thursday evening.

WKU (6-8-1, 3-4-1 C-USA) extended its winning streak to three matches after downing Florida Atlantic and FIU last weekend. Hannah Cady scored her first goal since her freshman campaign in 2015 for WKU’s second strike of the night, and Chandler Backes totaled her 16th career goal to ice the win for the Lady Toppers late in the match.

“UTSA is a good team. They compete hard and battle for 90 minutes. We challenged our kids at halftime to play with more fight, and I was proud to see that mentality come out in the second half,” Head Coach Jason Neidell said. “Hannah Cady has been playing great and earned a well-deserved match-winner for the team tonight. I’m really proud of our kids.”

The Lady Toppers held a 10-8 advantage in total shots and a 6-5 edge in shots on goal on the evening. Cady and Tally Bishop each had a match-high two shots on goal for WKU, and Hannah Chua notched a pair of shots as well as an assist on Cady’s goal. Freshman Deven Jackson also tallied an assist, helping to set up Backes’ strike in the 86th minute with an aggressive run into the box.

Allison Leone played the full 90 minutes between the posts for WKU, making four critical saves to keep the Roadrunners’ attack at bay.

For UTSA (2-13, 1-7 C-USA), Ellis Patterson had a pair of shots on goal, and Cailey Elder and Sarah Bayhi earned assists on Jordyn Lacy’s late goal. Michelle Cole played the full match in goal for the Roadrunners, allowing WKU’s three goals while making a trio of saves.

Less than five minutes into the match, Leone came up with a stop on Patterson, UTSA’s leading scorer, to deny the Roadrunners an early goal. Patterson attempted to chip a shot high over Leone but misplayed the strike, allowing the senior to corral the chance and end the UTSA threat.

Patterson again threatened in the 23rd minute, only for Leone to again maintain the deadlock for the Lady Toppers. Facing down the UTSA attack as it entered the right side of the box, the Kennesaw, Ga., native made a strong standing save, catching Patterson’s effort for her second stop of the evening.

WKU enjoyed two chances in the final 10 minutes of the half as Chua and Ashley Leonard each found space from distance to shoot, but both shots went just wide right of the goal to send the two sides into the halftime break locked in a 0-0 draw.

Just 92 seconds into the second half, Kozovic put the Lady Toppers on the board on a direct strike off a free kick from the left side of the box. Set up by a UTSA foul, the sophomore put a strong curl on the shot as it hooked back in toward the goal, dropping just under the crossbar to beat Cole into the top right corner for the go-ahead goal and the first of her collegiate career.

Bishop had an opportunity to double WKU’s lead five minutes later, collecting a ball deep in the box and creating a one-on-one opportunity against Cole. The freshman, who had scored in WKU’s two most recent matches entering Thursday’s tilt, fired on goal but could not beat the keeper on her low attempt.

In the 65th minute, Jackson also nearly put the Lady Toppers ahead 2-0 but could not quite find the back of the net. After a failed UTSA clearance gave the freshman possession inside the box, Jackson caught the goalkeeper charging and attempted to fire into the bottom right corner, sending her chance just to the right of the post.

A quick flurry of goals in the final 10 minutes brought the two sides to the final scoreline. At the 82:18 mark, Chua slipped in a pass from the top of the box to Cady, who had worked her way behind the UTSA
defense. Set up without a defender in front of her, the junior buried her shot past Cole to put the Lady Toppers ahead 2-0 with under eight minutes to play.

UTSA pulled a goal back in the 85th minute off the foot of Lacy. The Roadrunners played a long ball up from the midfield and Lacy spun around her defender to send a shot past Leone, cutting the WKU lead in half with five minutes remaining on the clock.

Backes sealed the victory at the 85:58 mark for the Lady Toppers, tallying her sixth goal of the season. Jackson’s initial charge was halted by Cole, but the ball popped up as the goalkeeper slid in, falling straight to Backes who converted the opportunity from 15 yards out to reach the final 3-1 score.

WKU will return to the pitch at home for the final time this season in its next time out, taking on Marshall at the WKU Soccer Complex next Friday, Oct. 27, at 6 p.m. The five Lady Topper seniors; Leone, Chua, Nahyo Jalajel, Shayna Dheel and Bria Mosley; will be honored in a post-match ceremony following the battle against the Thundering Herd.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
WKU vs UTSA (Oct 19, 2017 at San Antonio, Texas)

WKU (6-8-1, 3-4-1 C-USA) vs.
UTSA (2-13, 1-7 C-USA)
Date: Oct 19, 2017 • Attendance: 237
Weather: 79, partly cloudy, WIND: ESE 10 mph

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| 26   | JACKSON, Chandler|    |    |     |     |     | 29  |
| 30   | LUCZKA, Harper |    |    |     |     |     | 14  |
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Scoring summary:

No.   Time | Team  | Goal scorer       | Assist | Description

1. 46:32 WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandar (1) (unassisted) Free kick from 25 yards out on left side of field.
2. 82:18 WKU CADY, Hannah (1) CHUA, Hannah Ball played ahead into box and shot to right side of goal from 25 yards out.
3. 84:59 UTSA LACY, Jordyn (1) BAYHI, Sarah Ball played ahead before quick shot past keeper.
4. 85:58 WKU BACKES, Chandler (6) JACKSON, Deven

Cautions and ejections:

YC-WKU #9 (41:51)
Win-LEONE, Allison (6-8-1). Loss-COLE, Michelle (1-8).
Stadium: Park West Complex
Officials: Referee: Kyle Trimble; Asst. Referee: Gregorio Garza; Benny Del Castillo;
Alt. Official: Jasen Anno; Timekeeper: Milton Hope; Scorer: Tony Baldwin;
Offsides: WKU 2, UTSA 0.

Official's signature
## Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)

**WKU vs UTSA (Oct 19, 2017 at San Antonio, Texas)**

### WKU Starters:
- GK 1 LEONE, Allison
- MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
- F 5 BACKES, Chandler
- MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah
- D 12 JACOBSEN, Avery
- D 15 JALAJEL, Nahyo
- D 17 BRAGADO, Christina
- MF 19 DHEEL, Shayna
- F 25 BISHOP, Tally
- MF 31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
- D 33 ROSELAND, Nicole

### UTSA Starters:
- GK 0 COLE, Michelle
- D 2 GAVIN, Sarah
- F 4 ELDER, Cailey
- D 5 FINLEY, Melissa
- MF 7 LOCHTE, Katieann
- MF 9 KENSING, Rebekah
- MF 11 DRAGUICEVICH, Dina
- MF 13 HERNANDEZ, Marianne
- F 14 PATTERSON, Ellis
- F 15 LACY, Jordyn
- D 19 MACHEN, Channing

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**00:00** LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
**00:00** COLE, Michelle at goalie for UTSA.
Foul on UTSA.

**04:27** Shot by UTSA PATTERSON, Ellis, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on UTSA.

**07:49** Corner kick by UTSA HERNANDEZ, Marianne [07:49].
Foul on WKU.

**09:11** UTSA substitution: JACKSON, Chandler for KENSING, Rebekah.
Foul on WKU.

**12:50** UTSA substitution: KENSING, Rebekah for JACKSON, Chandler.

**19:56** UTSA substitution: JACKSON, Chandler for KENSING, Rebekah.

**21:11** Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [21:11].

**22:14** Corner kick by UTSA HERNANDEZ, Marianne [22:14].

**22:24** Shot by UTSA PATTERSON, Ellis, SAVE LEONE, Allison.

**23:48** UTSA substitution: MARWAN, Jasmine for HERNANDEZ, Marianne.

**23:48** WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAJEL, Nahyo.

**23:48** WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.

**25:00** UTSA substitution: LUCZKA, Harper for ELDER, Cailey.

**25:00** WKU substitution: Cady, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.

**26:30** Shot by UTSA LACY, Jordyn BLOCKED.

**27:03** Corner kick by UTSA MACHEN, Channing [27:03].

**27:48** UTSA substitution: SKARE, Kaja for LACY, Jordyn.

**27:48** WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.

**27:48** WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for GORHAM, Sarah.

**28:33** Corner kick by UTSA MACHEN, Channing [28:33].

**28:57** UTSA substitution: HERNANDEZ, Isa for LOCHTE, Katieann.

**28:57** UTSA substitution: BLANKENSHIP, Alyssa for GAVIN, Sarah.

**28:57** UTSA substitution: BAYHI, Sarah for PATTERSON, Ellis.

**30:56** Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [30:56].
Foul on WKU.
Foul on UTSA.
Foul on UTSA.

**35:53** WKU substitution: MOSLEY, Bria for DHEEL, Shayna.
Foul on WKU.

**38:58** Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah WIDE RIGHT.

**39:03** UTSA substitution: NICHOLLS, Olivia for LUCZKA, Harper.
Foul on UTSA.

**41:51** Yellow card on WKU MORRIS, Megan.

**41:55** Shot by UTSA SKARE, Kaja HIGH.

**43:01** Shot by WKU LEONARD, Ashley WIDE RIGHT.
Foul on WKU.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs UTSA (Oct 19, 2017 at San Antonio, Texas)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For UTSA: #0 COLE, Michelle, #2 GAVIN, Sarah, #4 ELDER, Cailey, #5 FINLEY, Melissa, #7 LOCHTE, Katieann, #10 MARWAN, Jasmine, #11 DRAGUICEVICH, Dina, #14 PATTERSON, Ellis, #15 LACY, Jordyn, #16 GALAN, Nicole, #19 MACHEN, Channing.
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #12 JACOBSEN, Avery, #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #19 DHEEL, Shayna, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole.
Foul on UTSA.
46:32 GOAL by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra (FIRST GOAL), goal number 1 for season.

WKU 1, UTSA 0

*Free kick from 25 yards out on left side of box.
48:04 Header Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah WIDE LEFT.
51:01 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE COLE, Michelle.
51:04 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE COLE, Michelle.
53:06 Shot by UTSA MARWAN, Jasmine, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
54:09 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
54:09 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
56:49 Shot by UTSA LACY, Jordyn HIGH.
Foul on WKU.
60:42 Shot by WKU CADY, Hannah, SAVE COLE, Michelle.
61:13 UTSA substitution: HERNANDEZ, Marianne for MARWAN, Jasmine.
63:01 Offside against WKU.
63:54 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for GORHAM, Sarah.
64:32 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven WIDE RIGHT.
64:39 UTSA substitution: KENSING, Rebekah for GAVIN, Sarah.
64:39 UTSA substitution: HERNANDEZ, Isa for LOCHTE, Katieann.
64:39 UTSA substitution: SKARE, Kaja for ELDER, Cailey.
65:45 Offside against WKU.
68:08 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
68:35 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for JACOBSEN, Avery.
68:35 UTSA substitution: BAYHI, Sarah for HERNANDEZ, Marianne.
Foul on WKU.
70:19 Shot by UTSA SKARE, Kaja, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
Foul on UTSA.
73:10 WKU substitution: GORHAM, Sarah for JACKSON, Deven.
73:10 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for CADY, Hannah.
73:10 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BACKES, Chandler.
78:43 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for LEONARD, Ashley.
78:43 UTSA substitution: ELDER, Cailey for SKARE, Kaja.
78:43 UTSA substitution: GAVIN, Sarah for KENSING, Rebekah.
80:04 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for DHEEL, Shayna.
Foul on UTSA.
81:34 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
82:18 GOAL by WKU CADY, Hannah, Assist by CHUA, Hannah, goal number 1 for season.

WKU 2, UTSA 0

*Ball played ahead into box and shot to right side on ground.
83:35 UTSA substitution: LOCHTE, Katieann for HERNANDEZ, Isa.
84:59 GOAL by UTSA LACY, Jordyn, Assist by BAYHI, Sarah and ELDER, Cailey, goal number 1 for season.

WKU 2, UTSA 1
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs UTSA (Oct 19, 2017 at San Antonio, Texas)

*Ball played ahead before quick shot past keeper.
85:58   GOAL by WKU BACKES, Chandler, Assist by JACKSON, Deven, goal number 6 for season.

WKU 3, UTSA 1

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90:00   End of period [90:00].

WKU 3, UTSA 1
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WKU TO CLOSE REGULAR SEASON AGAINST MARSHALL, UAB

Marshall Live Stream: conferenceusa.com/watch/?Live=3419
Marshall Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/wku/wsoc/
UAB Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/uab/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – Seeking a spot in the 2017 C-USA Tournament, WKU Soccer is set to close its regular season this weekend, first meeting Marshall on Senior Night on Friday at 7 p.m. at the WKU Soccer Complex before traveling to UAB for a rescheduled match on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m.

On Friday, the Lady Toppers’ five seniors; Allison Leone, Hannah Chua, Nahyo Jalajel, Shayna Dheel and Bria Mosley; will be honored in a post-match ceremony for their contributions to the program. In the four years that the senior class has been together on The Hill, WKU has captured 36 wins, 20 of which have come while defending the WKU Soccer Complex.

Sunday’s match at UAB will be the regular season finale for both sides and was rescheduled from its initial October 8 date due to inclement weather associated with Hurricane Nate.

WKU (6-8-1, 3-4-1 C-USA) enters the weekend with 10 points, tied alongside Marshall for ninth place in the C-USA standings; Charlotte and Florida Atlantic, each with 13 points, are tied for seventh place. With the top eight teams reaching the C-USA Tournament in Boca Raton, Fla., the Lady Toppers will need at least one victory this weekend to force a tiebreaker for the final qualifying spot.

The Lady Toppers come into Friday’s match on a three-match winning streak, outscoring their opponents 6-1 over that same stretch. In their most recent outing, WKU went on the road and defeated UTSA, 3-1, behind goals from Aleksandra Kozovic, Hannah Cady and Chandler Backes last Thursday evening.

Backes moved into 10th place on WKU’s all-time goalscoring list with her goal at UTSA; the sophomore has six goals this season and 16 for her career across just 34 matches on The Hill. The Carmel, Ind., native also leads all Lady Toppers this season with 14 points and has tallied a pair of match-winning goals against Evansville and FIU.

Freshman Tally Bishop has broken out over the last three matches for the Lady Toppers, scoring a pair of goals and launching seven shots on goal. For the season, Bishop has scored three goals and tallied one assist to rank second on the squad with seven points.

Defensively, the Lady Toppers have surrendered only one goal over their last 342 minutes played dating back to Oct. 6 against Middle Tennessee. Two-time C-USA Defensive Player of the Week Christina Bragado has played every minute over that span, anchoring the defense as its center back, while WKU Soccer’s all-time weekly awards winner Leone has been a force in goal, sporting a 0.85 goals against average with five shutouts and 65 saves this season.

Marshall (5-10-1, 3-5-1 C-USA) enters the weekend with 15 goals, but sport five players who have found the back of the net multiple times, led by five goals from Jordan Sackaris. Mary Lawman ranks second on the squad with 30 shots, 11 of which have been placed on goal, and has also scored a pair of goals; Rene Ross leads Marshall with three assists on the year.

In goal, Megan Bonelli has seen the majority of minutes for the Thundering Herd, allowing 25 goals while making 74 saves and generating a 1.74 goals against average.

UAB (11-3-3, 5-2-1 C-USA) is coming off a 1-0 loss to Louisiana Tech in its last time out on Sunday afternoon, its first home setback of the season. Four different Blazers have scored at least six goals this season; Amy Brewer (9), Megan Hudgens (7), Rachel Green (7) and Caroline Kehrer (6); and Brewer leads the team with 23 total points. UAB’s 35 goals this season are tied for the third-best mark in the conference, trailing only Rice’s 43 and North Texas’ 38.

Kelsey Daugherty has played every minute in goal for the Blazers and has been one of the top goalkeepers in C-USA this season, making 82 saves and registering six shutouts with a 0.78 goals against average.

Following this weekend’s matches, the 2017 C-USA Tournament will be hosted by Florida Atlantic in Boca Raton, Fla., with the quarterfinals being played on Wednesday, Nov. 1.
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CHUA’S SENIOR NIGHT HEROICS LIFT WKU TO 2-1 WIN OVER MARSHALL
PDF Box Score and Hannah Chua and Marcus Ward Proposal Photo Attached
VIDEO: Head Coach Jason Neidell - youtu.be/hAtl8xwtP8s
VIDEO: Hannah Chua and Marcus Ward Proposal - youtu.be/sb58U2-KBmo
UAB Live Stats: sidearmstats.com/uab/wsoc/

BOWLING GREEN, Ky. – Hannah Chua scored her first two goals of the season, one in each half, on Senior Night and capped the evening with a proposal from WKU Football safety Marcus Ward as the Lady Toppers took down Marshall, 2-1, on Friday evening at the WKU Soccer Complex.

The senior from Claremont, Calif., had one of the finest matches of her career on The Hill, scoring in the 11th and 61st minute to propel the Lady Toppers to the important victory. With the win, its fourth straight, WKU now has 13 points in C-USA play and is tied with Charlotte for the eighth and final qualifying spot for the 2017 C-USA Tournament. A win or draw on Sunday at UAB would secure WKU’s spot in next week’s tournament hosted by Florida Atlantic in Boca Raton, Fla.

WKU’s five seniors; Chua, Allison Leone, Bria Mosley, Nahyo Jalajel and Shayna Dheel; were each honored in a post-match ceremony following the victory. During her recognition, Chua was surprised on the field by Ward, who knelt down at center field and proposed to the senior midfielder.

WKU outshot the Thundering Herd 10-9 on Friday evening as Chua led all players with her pair of shots on goal. Chandler Backes, Mosley and Nicole Roseland also tallied assists on Chua’s strikes.

In goal, Leone played the full 90 minutes for the Lady Toppers, making three saves to keep Marshall’s attack at bay for long stretches of the match.

Mary Lawman had a match-high four shots for the Thundering Herd and was one of four Marshall players with one shot on goal apiece. Megan Bonelli played the full match between the posts for the Thundering Herd, making four saves and allowing Chua’s pair of goals in the losing effort.

Mosley opened the match with the first shot of the night just under six minutes after first kick, nearly giving the Lady Toppers a very early advantage over the Thundering Herd. Five minutes later, that advantage came to fruition as Chua found the back of the net for the first time in 2017. Mosley slotted a long pass on the ground into the box from the right side that was stopped by Backes. Chua slammed the stalled pass into the back of the net at the 10:48 mark to put WKU up 1-0.

Three corner kick opportunities over a 10-minute span offered Marshall a chance to equalize, but the only two chances created by the set pieces in the 31st and 36th minutes were blocked away by WKU defenders.

The Thundering Herd equalized with eight seconds remaining before the halftime break. Ashley Seltzer’s long shot from outside the box was slapped away by Leone, however Miller corralled the rebound as the goalkeeper was attempting to recover and slotted the chance home, sending the two sides into the locker room knotted at 1-1.

Just over two minutes into the second half, Marshall nearly netted the go-ahead goal off the foot of Mary Lawman, but Leone refused to be beaten for a second time on Senior Night, stonewalling the Thundering Herd attack with a strong save.

Chua struck again at the 60:47 mark, set up by another cross into the box. Roseland found space along the right side of the goal line and slipped a pass in to Chua, who one-timed her effort past Bonelli to put the Lady Toppers back in front, 2-1, with a half-hour remaining.

A flurry of corner kicks from Aleksandra Kozovic gave the Lady Toppers a chance to double their advantage with 15 minutes remaining, but the offense was unable to generate a shot off the trio of set pieces.

Despite Marshall’s efforts to push up for an equalizer over the final 10 minutes, WKU’s defense held strong and clinched the critical 2-1 victory in its search for a spot in the C-USA Tournament.

WKU will conclude the 2017 regular season on Sunday afternoon at 1 p.m. as the Lady Toppers travel south to square off against UAB. Sunday’s match was originally scheduled for October 8, but was rescheduled due to inclement weather associated with Hurricane Nate.
Marshall 5-11-1 (3-6-1 C-USA) vs. WKU 7-8-1 (4-4-1 C-USA)
Date: Oct 27, 2017 • Attendance: 147
Weather: Rain, 46°F

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03 LAWMAN, Mary | 4 | 1 | - | - | - | 90 |
08 SELTZER, Ashley | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | 90 |
10 SPRINGER, Annie | - | - | - | - | 23 | 68 |
13 SMITH, JLIANNA | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
15 SACKARIS, Jordan | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
17 ZUZOLO, Jenna | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
22 ANDREWS, Courtney | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
23 TREVINO, Adela | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
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6 ABU-TAYEH, Marah | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 60 |
11 MILLER, Peyton | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 22 |
18 ROGGE, Karen | - | - | - | - | - | 54 |
20 TOTZKE, Alyssa | - | - | - | - | - | 54 |
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WKU

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01 LEONE, Allison | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
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05 BACKES, Chandler | 2 | 1 | 1 | - | - | 52 |
10 GORHAM, Sarah | 1 | - | - | - | - | 90 |
14 BRYANT, Kaylyn | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
15 JALAJEL, Nahyo | - | - | - | - | - | 51 |
17 BRAGADO, Christina | - | - | - | - | - | 90 |
19 DHEEL, Shayna | 1 | - | - | - | - | 55 |
23 MOSLEY, Bria | 1 | 1 | - | - | - | 24 |
25 BISHOP, Tally | - | - | - | - | - | 73 |
33 ROSELAND, Nicole | - | - | 1 | - | - | 83 |
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7 LEONARD, Ashley | - | - | - | - | - | 25 |
9 MORRIS, Megan | - | - | - | - | - | 51 |
11 JACKSON, Deven | - | - | - | - | - | 19 |
12 JACOBSEN, Avery | - | - | - | - | - | 39 |
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Cautions and ejections:

Win-LEONE, Allison (7-8-1). Loss-BONELLI, Megan (3-10-1).
Stadium: WKU Soccer Complex
Officials: Referee: Mike LaVern; Asst. Referee: Matt Drew; Brooke Mayo;
Alt. Official: Ben Kadric; Scorer: Currie McFayden;
Offsides: Marshall 0, WKU 3.
## Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
**Marshall vs WKU (Oct 27, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)**

**Marshall Starters:**
- GK 01 BONELLI, Megan
- MF 3 LAWMAN, Mary
- MF 23 TREVINO, Adela
- F 8 SELTZER, Ashley
- MF 13 SMITH, JULIANNA
- F 15 SACKARIS, Jordan
- D 22 ANDREWS, Courtney
- F 31 PRESTON, Molly
- MF 33 KLODNICK, McKenna

**WKU Starters:**
- GK 1 LEONE, Allison
- MF 2 CHUA, Hannah
- F 5 BACKES, Chandler
- MF 10 GORHAM, Sarah
- D 14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
- D 15 JALAJEL, Nahyo
- D 17 BRAGADO, Christina
- D 19 DHEEL, Shayna
- D 23 MOSLEY, Bria
- F 25 BISHOP, Tally
- MF 33 ROSELAND, Nicole

00:00 BONELLI, Megan at goalie for Marshall.
00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
05:42 Shot by WKU MOSLEY, Bria, SAVE BONELLI, Megan.
09:02 Corner kick by MARS SELTZER, Ashley [09:02].
10:48 GOAL by WKU CHUA, Hannah (FIRST GOAL), Assist by BACKES, Chandler and MOSLEY, Bria, goal number 1 for season.

### MARSHALL 0, WKU 1

*pass from 23 into box, stopped by 5
14:51 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna WIDE RIGHT.
17:43 MARS substitution: TOTZKE, Alyssa for SPRINGER, Annie.
21:23 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE BONELLI, Megan.
23:37 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for MOSLEY, Bria.
27:20 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
27:20 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BACKES, Chandler.
27:20 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.

Foul on Marshall.
29:42 Offside against WKU.
30:26 MARS substitution: ROGGE, Karen for ZUZOLO, Jenna.
30:26 MARS substitution: ABU-TAYEH, Marah for PRESTON, Molly.
30:45 Corner kick by MARS SELTZER, Ashley [30:45].
31:10 Shot by MARS LAWMAN, Mary BLOCKED.
33:54 Offside against WKU.
35:35 Corner kick by MARS SMITH, JULIANNA [35:35].
35:45 Shot by MARS KLODNICK, McKenna BLOCKED.
39:05 MARS substitution: MILLER, Peyton for SMITH, JULIANNA.
40:18 Corner kick by MARS SELTZER, Ashley [40:18].
40:28 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BISHOP, Tally.
40:35 Shot by MARS LAWMAN, Mary WIDE LEFT.
44:50 Shot by MARS SELTZER, Ashley, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
44:52 GOAL by MARS MILLER, Peyton, Assist by SELTZER, Ashley, goal number 1 for season.

### MARSHALL 1, WKU 1

*scored off rebound of 8's shot
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
Marshall vs WKU (Oct 27, 2017 at Bowling Green, Ky.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For WKU: #1 LEONE, Allison, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #19 DHEEL, Shayna.
45:00 For MARS: #01 BONELLI, Megan, #33 KLODNICK, McKenna, #15 SACKARIS, Jordan, #8 SELTZER, Ashley, #11 MILLER, Peyton, #20 TOTZKE, Alyssa, #6 ABU-TAYEH, Marah, #22 ANDREWS, Courtney, #18 ROGGE, Karen, #3 LAWMAN, Mary, #23 TREVINO, Adela.
47:42 Shot by MARS LAWMAN, Mary, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
54:16 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.
54:28 Offside against WKU.
56:12 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler, SAVE BONELLI, Megan.
56:57 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
57:52 Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally BLOCKED.
58:32 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
58:51 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [58:51].
       Foul on WKU.
60:47 GOAL by WKU CHUA, Hannah, Assist by ROSELAND, Nicole, goal number 2 for season.

MARSHALL 1, WKU 2

*cross into box from right side
60:47 MARS substitution: SMITH, JULIANNA for MILLER, Peyton.
61:09 Shot by MARS SELTZER, Ashley WIDE RIGHT.
       Foul on WKU.
68:59 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
69:32 Corner kick by MARS SMITH, JULIANNA [69:32].
71:15 MARS substitution: PRESTON, Molly for TOTZKE, Alyssa.
71:15 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for ROSELAND, Nicole.
71:15 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for DHEEL, Shayna.
71:15 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for CADY, Hannah.
71:15 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for BISHOP, Tally.
73:21 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [73:21].
73:27 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, SAVE BONELLI, Megan.
73:56 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [73:56].
74:59 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [74:59].
75:07 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler HIGH.
78:12 WKU substitution: ROSELAND, Nicole for LEONARD, Ashley.
79:32 Shot by MARS LAWMAN, Mary HIGH.
81:13 Shot by MARS ABU-TAYEH, Marah, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
81:55 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for BACKES, Chandler.
81:55 MARS substitution: ZUZOLO, Jenna for PRESTON, Molly.
84:17 MARS substitution: SPRINGER, Annie for ROGGE, Karen.
84:31 Corner kick by MARS SELTZER, Ashley [84:31].
       Foul on WKU.
       Foul on WKU.
88:26 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for BISHOP, Tally.
       Foul on Marshall.
90:00 End of period [90:00].

MARSHALL 1, WKU 2
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WKU ENDS 2017 SEASON IN 2-0 SETBACK AT UAB  
PDF Box Score Attached  

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. – WKU Soccer concluded its 2017 season on Sunday afternoon at BBVA Compass Field, falling 2-0 in a rescheduled match at UAB that served as the regular season finale for both sides. WKU (7-9-1, 4-5-1 C-USA) ended the regular season with four wins in its last five matches, making a strong push in an attempt to reach the C-USA Tournament. The Lady Toppers finished with 13 points, tied with Charlotte for the eighth and final qualifying spot, but fell on the fourth tiebreaker against the 49ers. The two teams did not play head-to-head and had the same number of both total overall points and total points against common opponents, but Charlotte had a +7 goal differential against common opponents, while WKU notched a mark of +0 in the same category.

Five seniors who were honored during WKU’s Senior Night on Friday featured in their final matches for the Lady Toppers on Sunday afternoon; Hannah Chua, Allison Leone, Shayna Dheel, Nahyo Jalajel and Bria Mosley closed out their career with 37 victories over the last four seasons on The Hill.

WKU’s 17 shots on Sunday matched its highest total against a conference opponent this season; the Lady Toppers also recorded 17 shots at Southern Miss and Middle Tennessee earlier this season. Chua, Sarah Gorham and Chandler Backes each had three shots apiece for WKU, and both Megan Morris and Tally Bishop added a pair.

In goal, Leone finished with four saves while playing the full 90 minutes to conclude her stellar WKU career. The Kennesaw, Ga., native finishes as WKU Soccer’s all-time leader with four weekly awards and ranks second in goalkeeper minutes played (6,724), goalkeeper wins (37), goals against average (0.98) and solo shutouts (27) while also finishing third in total saves with 297.

For UAB (13-3-3, 7-2-1 C-USA), Jessica Do had a match-high four shots and the Blazers placed six of their 12 shots on goal on the afternoon. Do and Caroline Kehrer tallied UAB’s two goals, while Kehrer, Regan Kommor, Morgan Key-Adams and Kassandra Daniel notched assists on the scores.

Kelsey Daugherty played the full match in goal for the Blazers, earning the solo shutout with four saves. WKU pressured the Blazers’ defense early, earning a corner kick in the first minute of the match and launching its first shot on goal off the foot of Morris at the 6:41 mark, but the Lady Toppers were unable to come away with an early advantage.

Do put UAB out in front at the 21:17 mark as the Blazers used her headed effort to convert a corner kick opportunity. Kommor played the ball in where it was stopped in the box by Kehrer and played up for Do for the go-ahead goal.

The Lady Toppers had four shots over the final 25 minutes of the first half but were unable to equalizer before heading into the locker room facing a 1-0 deficit.

Leone parried away a chance from UAB’s Amy Brewer in the 59th minute, and Deven Jackson nearly pulled the Lady Toppers even two minutes later. The freshman found space and fired toward goal, but her chance was blocked away by a UAB defender.

UAB doubled its lead in the 66th minute, taking a 2-0 lead on Kehrer’s goal. Set up on the right side of the box after passes from Key-Adams and Daniel, Kehrer fired a short shot past Leone, forcing the Lady Toppers to attempt to score twice over the final 20 minutes to equalize.

Despite strong forward pressure as the offense pushed up, the Lady Toppers were unable to find the back of the net in the closing minutes of the match. Chua and Bishop each had chances in the 83rd and 84th minute on shots that were stopped by Daugherty, and WKU registered seven shots in total over the final 10 minutes to close the season.
Soccer Box Score (Final)
2017 Lady Topper Soccer
WKU vs UAB (Oct 29, 2017 at Birmingham, Ala.)

WKU (7-9-1, 4-5-1) vs. UAB (13-3-3, 7-2-1)
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Totals: 12 6 2 4 6

Cautions and ejections:

Win-DAUGHERTY, Kelsey (13-3-3). Loss-LEONE, Allison (7-9-1).
Stadium: BBVA Compass Field
Officials: Referee: J. Gonzalez; Asst. Referee: Kyle Johnson; Mirian Kocisova;
Alt. Official: Michael Smith; Scorer: Jay D'Abramo;
Offsides: WKU 1, UAB 2.

Official's signature
Play-by-Play Summary (1st period)
WKU vs UAB (Oct 29, 2017 at Birmingham, Ala.)

WKU Starters:
GK 1 LEONE, Allison
2 CHUA, Hannah
5 BACKES, Chandler
9 MORRIS, Megan
10 GORHAM, Sarah
14 BRYANT, Kaylyn
15 JALAJEL, Nahyo
17 BRAGADO, Christina
25 BISHOP, Tally
31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra
33 ROSELAND, Nicole

UAB Starters:
GK 00 DAUGHERTY, Kelsey
2 CAMERON, Melissa
3 GREEN, Rachel
6 PRESEDO, Natalie
8 OTTO, Alex
13 LUNSFORD, Jamiera
14 MORROW, Megan
15 HUDGENS, Megan
17 THRASHER, Lucy
21 KOMMOR, Regan
26 BREWER, Amy

00:00 LEONE, Allison at goalie for WKU.
00:00 DAUGHERTY, Kelsey at goalie for UAB.
00:59 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [00:59].
06:41 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE DAUGHERTY, Kelsey.
07:55 Shot by UAB LUNSFORD, Jamiera, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
16:42 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah WIDE.
16:45 UAB substitution: DO, Jessica for LUNSFORD, Jamiera.
16:45 UAB substitution: KEHRER, Caroline for HUDGENS, Megan.
17:17 UAB substitution: DANIEL, Kassandra for PRESEDO, Natalie.
19:09 UAB substitution: KEY-ADAMS, Morgan for THRASHER, Lucy.
20:53 Corner kick by UAB KOMMOR, Regan [20:53].
21:17 GOAL by UAB DO, Jessica (FIRST GOAL), Assist by KOMMOR, Regan and KEHRER, Caroline, goal number 2 for season.

WKU 0, UAB 1

*Header off corner kick
21:31 Shot by WKU MORRIS, Megan, SAVE DAUGHERTY, Kelsey.
23:06 Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE.
Foul on UAB.
26:22 Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah BLOCKED.
26:26 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
26:26 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
26:26 UAB substitution: MERRY, Paige for GREEN, Rachel.
26:55 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [26:55].
27:02 Shot by WKU DHEEL, Shayna WIDE.
Foul on WKU.
28:39 WKU substitution: CADY, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
28:39 UAB substitution: MUSTAFA, Kamilah for BREWER, Amy.
33:03 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for BISHOP, Tally.
33:03 UAB substitution: FOSTER, Katie for MORROW, Megan.
33:03 UAB substitution: RILEY, Haley for KOMMOR, Regan.
34:13 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [34:13].
34:51 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [34:51].
38:31 UAB substitution: CARRAWAY, Courtney for KEHRER, Caroline.
38:31 UAB substitution: HUNT, Hallie for CAMERON, Melissa.
Foul on UAB.
45:00 End of period [45:00].
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)
WKU vs UAB (Oct 29, 2017 at Birmingham, Ala.)

45:00 Start of 2nd period [45:00].
45:00 For UAB: #00 DAUGHERTY, Kelsey, #2 CAMERON, Melissa, #6 PRESEDO, Natalie, #8 OTTO, Alex, #14 MORROW, Megan, #17 THRASHER, Lucy, #15 HUDGENS, Megan, #26 BREWER, Amy, #3 GREEN, Rachel, #13 LUNSFORD, Jamiera, #24 KEY-ADAMS, Morgan.
45:00 For WKU: #15 JALAJEL, Nahyo, #25 BISHOP, Tally, #33 ROSELAND, Nicole, #14 BRYANT, Kaylyn, #10 GORHAM, Sarah, #31 KOZOVIC, Aleksandra, #17 BRAGADO, Christina, #5 BACKES, Chandler, #9 MORRIS, Megan, #2 CHUA, Hannah, #1 LEONE, Allison.
46:36 Header Shot by UAB GREEN, Rachel WIDE.
Foul on UAB.
Foul on WKU.
Foul on WKU.
53:19 Corner kick by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra [53:19].
56:51 WKU substitution: DHEEL, Shayna for MORRIS, Megan.
56:51 WKU substitution: JACKSON, Deven for CHUA, Hannah.
56:51 WKU substitution: JACOBSEN, Avery for JALAJEL, Nahyo.
58:59 Shot by UAB BREWER, Amy, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
60:10 UAB substitution: KOMMOR, Regan for THRASHER, Lucy.
60:10 UAB substitution: DO, Jessica for LUNSFORD, Jamiera.
60:10 UAB substitution: DANIEL, Kassandra for MORROW, Megan.
60:10 UAB substitution: KEHRER, Caroline for HUDGENS, Megan.
60:10 WKU substitution: Cady, Hannah for BACKES, Chandler.
60:10 WKU substitution: LEONARD, Ashley for BISHOP, Tally.
60:43 Shot by WKU JACKSON, Deven BLOCKED.
Foul on WKU.
65:48 GOAL by UAB KEHRER, Caroline, Assist by KEY-ADAMS, Morgan and DANIEL, Kassandra, goal number 7 for season.

WKU 0, UAB 2

*right side right in front of the goal
66:24 UAB substitution: MERRY, Paige for GREEN, Rachel.
66:24 UAB substitution: FOSTER, Katie for PRESEDO, Natalie.
Foul on UAB.
67:36 Shot by WKU KOZOVIC, Aleksandra HIT CROSSBAR.
Foul on UAB.
69:43 WKU substitution: BACKES, Chandler for LEONARD, Ashley.
69:43 WKU substitution: BISHOP, Tally for Cady, Hannah.
69:43 WKU substitution: JALAJEL, Nahyo for BRYANT, Kaylyn.
69:43 WKU substitution: CHUA, Hannah for KOZOVIC, Aleksandra.
69:43 UAB substitution: MUSTAFA, Kamilah for BREWER, Amy.
Foul on UAB.
72:32 UAB substitution: LUNSFORD, Jamiera for KEHRER, Caroline.
73:08 Shot by WKU JALAJEL, Nahyo WIDE.
73:32 Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole [73:32].
73:35 Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah BLOCKED.
Corner kick by WKU ROSELAND, Nicole.
75:40 Shot by UAB MERRY, Paige WIDE.
75:54 UAB substitution: THRASHER, Lucy for KOMMOR, Regan.
75:54 UAB substitution: CARRAWAY, Courtney for KEY-ADAMS, Morgan.
76:20 Corner kick by UAB THRASHER, Lucy [76:20].
Foul on WKU.
78:15 WKU substitution: MORRIS, Megan for DHEEL, Shayna.
78:15 WKU substitution: KOZOVIC, Aleksandra for BRAGADO, Christina.
78:15 UAB substitution: HUNT, Hallie for CAMERON, Melissa.
Play-by-Play Summary (2nd period)  
WKU vs UAB (Oct 29, 2017 at Birmingham, Ala.)

78:53  Shot by UAB MERRY, Paige, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
79:15  Offside against WKU.
79:48  WKU substitution: BRYANT, Kaylyn for JALAEL, Nahyo.
80:14  Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally BLOCKED.
81:00  Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah WIDE.
81:11  Shot by WKU GORHAM, Sarah HIGH.
81:20  UAB substitution: HUDGENS, Megan for LUNSFORD, Jamiera.
81:20  UAB substitution: KERRER, Caroline for MUSTAFA, Kamilah.
82:06  Shot by WKU CHUA, Hannah, SAVE DAUGHERTY, Kelsey.
83:08  Shot by WKU BISHOP, Tally, SAVE DAUGHERTY, Kelsey.
84:40  Offside against UAB.
84:43  Yellow card on UAB KERRER, Caroline.
84:55  Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE.
87:52  Shot by UAB KERRER, Caroline BLOCKED.
88:17  Shot by UAB DO, Jessica BLOCKED.
88:24  Shot by UAB DO, Jessica BLOCKED.
88:35  Shot by UAB DO, Jessica HIT CROSSBAR.
88:41  Shot by UAB KERRER, Caroline, SAVE LEONE, Allison.
89:10  Offside against UAB.
89:44  Shot by WKU BACKES, Chandler WIDE.
90:00  End of period [90:00].

WKU 0, UAB 2
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CHUA, ROSELAND, LEONE AND BISHOP PICK UP ALL-C-USA ACCOLADES

Hannah Chua, Nicole Roseland, Allison Leone and Tally Bishop Headshots Attached

IRVING, Texas – Seniors Hannah Chua and Allison Leone, junior Nicole Roseland and freshman Tally Bishop were each honored by the conference office on Tuesday afternoon, with Chua earning Second Team honors, Leone and Roseland picking up Third Team accolades and Bishop being named to the All-Freshman Team.

Chua, Leone and Roseland each earned All-C-USA honors for the second time in their careers. Chua and Leone were previously Second Team selections in 2015 and 2016, respectively, while Roseland was a First Team honoree in 2016. With Bishop’s selection, WKU has also had an All-Freshman selection in each of its four seasons as a member of C-USA; previously, Leone (2014), Roseland (2015) and Chandler Backes (2016) picked up the honors.

One of four field players to start every match for the Lady Toppers this season, Chua starred in the midfield and led WKU with four assists, three of which came in C-USA play. The Claremont, Calif., native closed the season with heroics on Senior Night for WKU, scoring both goals to propel the Lady Toppers to a 2-1 victory over Marshall on Oct. 27.

The team captain served as a dynamic option in the midfield, and three of her four assists came on match-winning goals against Lipscomb, Florida Atlantic and UTSA. Chua finished the season with 28 shots, 11 of which were put on goal; both marks ranked third among all Lady Toppers in 2017.

Serving as a team captain for the Lady Toppers, Leone closed her career on The Hill as one of the top goalkeepers in program history. WKU Soccer’s all-time leader in Player of the Week awards with four, Leone was a two-time C-USA Goalkeeper of the Week selection this season on Sept. 25 and Oct. 16. The Kennesaw, Ga., native ranks second all-time in solo shutouts (27, five in 2017) and career goals against average (0.98, 0.92 in 2017) and third in saves (297, 72 in 2017).

Leone collected seven or more saves in five matches this season, including a season-high nine stops at Texas on Aug. 20. Leone’s five shutouts ranked fourth among C-USA goalkeepers, and her 0.87 goals against average and .824 save percentage in C-USA play were the fourth- and fifth-best marks in the conference this season.

Hailing from Altamonte Springs, Fla., Roseland started every match this season as WKU’s holding midfielder after being chosen to the 2017 Preseason All-C-USA Team. Instrumental as both a starting point on offense and an anchor on defense from her holding midfielder spot, the junior plays key roles on both sides of the ball, serving as a defensive stopper while also facilitating ball movement and helping to set up WKU’s offensive attack.

Under her watch this season, WKU surrendered only 16 goals, fourth-fewest in C-USA and tied for the fifth-fewest in a single season in program history. Roseland helped the Lady Toppers to five shutouts in 2017 and pushed the team to a 337-minute shutout streak over a four-match span in October.

One of WKU’s top offensive sparks in 2017 with three goals and an assist, Bishop made an immediate impact for the Lady Toppers in her first season with the team. The freshman scored her first collegiate goal less than five minutes into her career, netting WKU’s match-winner in the season opener at Lipscomb on Aug. 18; she also assisted on Backes’ strike against the Bisons in that same match.

Later in the season, Bishop scored in critical back-to-back C-USA matches for the Lady Toppers against Florida Atlantic on Oct. 13 and FIU on Oct. 15; her ninth-minute goal against the Owls proved to be the match-winner, while she tallied the insurance goal in the 27th minute against the Panthers.

WKU ended the 2017 campaign with a 7-9-1 overall record and a 4-5-1 mark in C-USA play. The Lady Toppers won four of their final five matches and finished tied for eighth place in C-USA.
ROSSLAND, GORHAM EARN C-USA ALL-ACADEMIC HONORS

Nicole Roseland and Sarah Gorham Headshots Attached

IRVING, Texas – Nicole Roseland and Sarah Gorham have been selected to the 2017 C-USA All-Academic Team presented by InTouch Credit Union as announced by the league office on Thursday afternoon, with Roseland earning First Team honors and Gorham collecting a Second Team nod.

Both Roseland and Gorham picked up the All-Academic accolades for the first time in their careers; WKU has also now had multiple C-USA All-Academic selections in each of its four seasons as a member of the league, and has had a First Team choice in three of those four seasons.

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One of four field players to start every match this season, Gorham played 1,478 minutes, second-most among WKU field players. The redshirt junior from Lexington, Ky., assisted on WKU’s match-winner against FIU on Oct. 15 that was part of a late-season four-match winning streak for the Lady Toppers. Gorham ranked second among Lady Toppers with 30 shots on the year and played a key role in the organization of the midfield throughout the season.

In the classroom, Gorham has posted a 3.96 GPA as a sport management major and is a three-time recipient of the C-USA Commissioner’s Academic Medal, one of the top individual academic awards given out by the league office.

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CHUA EARNS C-USA FALL SPIRIT OF SERVICE AWARD

Hannah Chua Headshot Attached

IRVING, Texas – Senior Hannah Chua has been selected as a recipient of the 2017 C-USA Fall Spirit of Service Award as announced by the conference office on Tuesday afternoon in recognition of her contributions on the field, in the classroom and in the Bowling Green community at large.

The C-USA Spirit of Service award is designed to recognize the community service efforts of the league's student-athletes, based upon significant community service, good academic standing and participation in their elected sport. The Spirit of Service Award will be presented three times throughout the 2017-18 season, with Tuesday's honorees representing C-USA's fall sports: football, volleyball, cross country and soccer.

Chua is the second WKU women’s soccer player to receive the award after former teammate Caitlin Hesse captured the honor following the 2015 season.

On the field, Chua played a key role for the Lady Toppers this season. One of four field players to start all 17 matches, Chua starred in the midfield and led WKU with four assists, three of which came in C-USA play. The Claremont, Calif., native closed the season with heroics on Senior Night for WKU, scoring both goals to propel the Lady Toppers to a 2-1 victory over Marshall on Oct. 27.

The team captain served as a dynamic option in the midfield, and three of her four assists came on match-winning goals against Lipscomb, Florida Atlantic and UTSA. Chua finished the season with 28 shots, 11 of which were put on goal; both marks ranked third among all Lady Toppers in 2017.

In the classroom, Chua has recorded a 3.76 GPA as an advertising major and has been a perennial member of the C-USA Academic Honor Roll, landing a spot on that list in each of her three seasons thus far. Chua also earned the C-USA Commissioner’s Academic Medal in 2014-15 for her academic success. During her time on The Hill, Chua regularly spent time giving back to the Bowling Green community, participating in events such as the WKU Day of Caring, Stuff the Bus and National Girls and Women in Sports Day alongside her teammates.

Chua concluded her career with the Lady Toppers with 10 career goals and eight assists, and was a two-time All-C-USA Second Team selection in 2015 and 2017.

2017 C-USA Fall Spirit of Service Award Recipients

Mary Manser, Charlotte, Women’s Soccer
Anthony Johnson, FIU, Football
Greg Joseph, Florida Atlantic, Football
Jacie McClure, Louisiana Tech, Volleyball
Ryan Yurachek, Marshall, Football
Bailey Mason, Middle Tennessee, Volleyball
Mikali Myers, North Texas, Volleyball
Josh Marriner, Old Dominion, Football
Anna Figueroa, Rice, Women’s Cross Country
Sarah Bell, Southern Miss, Volleyball
Caroline Kerher, UAB, Women’s Soccer
Macey Austin, UTEP, Volleyball
Kaja Skare, UTSA, Women’s Soccer

Hannah Chua, WKU, Women’s Soccer