USC ties Wake Forest

BY KYLE ALMOND THE GAMECOCK

The seventh-ranked South Carolina men's soccer team had their winning streak snapped Saturday night, when they tied No. 20 Wake Forest 2-2 in Winston-Salem,

The Gamecocks (6-1-1) had won their previous five games coming into the game, defeating previous No. 1 Virginia and No. 8 Maryland along the way.

USC looked to be heading towards their sixth straight win on Saturday, taking an early two-goal advantage against the Demon Deacons (3-3-1) in the first half. Their opponents answered back with two goals of their own in regulation.

Freshman forward Ryan Daley opened up the scoring for Carolina at the 18:45 mark. Senior defender Chris Lockwood crossed the ball into the box, and Daley headed it into the back of the net for his fifth goal of the year.

Daley then added an assist on USC's second goal, which happened less than two minutes later. The freshman found Jordan Quinn, and Quinn finished with a goal to the back left corner of the net. It was Quinn's sixth goal of the season, and the sophomore forward from Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. continues to lead the Gamecocks in that category.

With the first half drawing to a close, Wake Forest cut the USC lead to one. Ben Stafford's shot on goal was deflected by Carolina goalkeeper Henry Ring, but Wake's Andy Rosenband was there to stick in the rebound.

Stafford created many problems for USC's defense. The senior forward from

off an 11-yard touchdown run by tailback Dicenzo Miller. The

touchdown capped off a 12-play, 93-yard drive that consumed

more than five minutes from the game clock. It was the

longest touchdown drive against the Gamecock defense all sea-

son, and the first allowed by USC in their last 10 quarters of

Bethea cut the lead to six with his second field goal of the

The next possession for South Carolina led to Kimrey's touch-

day with 8:08 remaining in the game, and the Gamecocks forced

the MSU offense to go three and out on the next drive.

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TRAVIS LYNN THE GAMECOCK

Joey Worthen, last year's leading scorer for the Gamecocks, makes a pass to a teammate in a recent win over Virginia Tech.

Signal Mountain, Tenn. had a game high seven shots on goal.

Later, in the 60th minute, Demon Deacon freshman Kelvin Jones headed in a corner kick to tie the game at two. Matt Thompson was credited with the assist.

The two teams played two overtimes after regulation time had passed, but neither team could score a go-ahead goal.

Wake had the better chances late in the game, as Stafford and teammate Vicente

Bastidas had point-blank shots saved by Ring and the Carolina defense. A header by Bastidas off a corner kick in the 79th minute beat Ring, but was cleared off the line by a Gamecock defender.

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With a 20-19 lead, the Gamecock defense made sure MSU wouldn't score again. Cecil Caldwell sacked Bulldog quarterback Wayne Madkin to force another three and out on the following possession, and Bethea added a third field goal to put USC up by four.

Needing a touchdown to win, Madkin's last-gasp "Hail Mary" throw was picked off by cornerback Kevin House with three seconds left to clinch the victory.

"I'm proud of our team," Holtz said. "They hung in there and won despite making some mistakes. They overcame a lot of adversity and made some big plays. They found a way to win and there's a lot to be said about that."

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Women's soccer loses first meeting with Utah

BY CASEY WHITE THE GAMECOCK

The South Carolina women's soccer team (2-7) hung tough Friday night against driving rain and a slippery Utah offense, but fell short 2-1 at

This game marked the first meeting between the Gamecocks and the Utah Torreros, who move to 5-3-1 with the win.

After adjusting to playing conditions on the soggy field, Utah took the lead first. At the 31:06 mark, sophomore Katie Tate slid past defenders to score in the back left corner from eight yards

Heavy offensive pressure kept the Gamecocks silent until after the half, when freshman Amy Caddies drove an unassisted ten-yard goal into the back left corner to tie the game.

"I was pretty excited," Caddies said about her first collegiate goal.

Utah's Amy Kofed answered at the 86:34 mark with the game-winning goal on a breakaway run, launching the ball just out of reach of goalkeeper Elise Matthews. The Gamecocks fought boldly, but were unable to capitalize on opportunities as time ran out.

One of the main factors that has contributed to South Carolina's difficult season so far is the onslaught of injuries that have continued to multiply with each game.

Added to the injured list after Friday's game was senior Kim Murray, who left in the second half after a fall. Junior forward Morgan McIntyre played sparingly on a sprained ankle obtained in last week's game, and starting defender Jessi-

ca Workman missed the entire match. This medical nightmare has been frustrating for head

coach Sue Kelly, as well as the players. "It's like we don't have practice sessions anymore, we have rehab," Kelly said of her dimin-

However, the injuries have given three freshmen the opportunity to contribute to the Gamecock offense. Along with Caddies, Becca Epstein and Jessica Julin have scored goals this season, giving the Gamecocks hope for the rest of the

Another positive sign is the experience the : team is gathering as they continue to improve their offensive game and learn from their mis-

"We've got to be constructively critical of where we are. I think we're doing a very good job to maintain our composure and to continue to try and get better," Kelly said.

With the SEC stretch of games starting Sept. 29th, the Gamecocks are looking to put the past behind them and improve their record.

Kelly maintains her positive attitude saying, "There's only one way you can look and that's forward. A good soldier never looks behind, so we'll just keep marching on."

The Gamecocks will travel to Wofford Tuesday with hopes of adding another win to their record. Last season, the Gamecocks defeated Wofford 2-1 at Stone Stadium.

Utah stays on the East coast this week to face Carolina rival Georgia Sunday.

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"As I was running, the ball fell right into my hands," Kelly said. "It was a good throw by Erik." It was a good throw, but it also took a special

effort by Kelly to complete the pass. 'When I saw the ball released from Erik's hand, I didn't want to look back, because I knew the defender would look back," Kelly said. "I

wanted to prevent that." The crowd of 79,949 erupted when the touchdown was scored, and the noise level even sur-

prised Holtz. "I didn't think it could get any louder than when Jermale Kelly caught that touchdown," he said.

Kelly, a senior from Greenville, S.C., scored only his second touchdown in the last two seasons. He finished with 123 yards on nine recep-

Kimrey didn't throw another ball in the game. For his clutch heroics, he received the game ball in the Carolina locker room after the game. But the walk-on was quick to put everything in

"I only played one play," he said. "I threw one pass. Let's not make a big thing of this and take glory away from the team."

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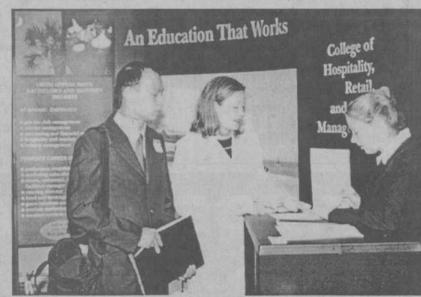
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