

Men's soccer ties Lenoir-Rhyne on road

By Matt Smith
Sports Editor

A 20-10 shot disparity couldn't help the Braves edge Lenoir-Rhyne, as the game finished in a 1-1 tie Sept. 12 at Lenoir, N.C.

The Black and Gold out shot the Bears 7-2 in the game's two overtime periods, but were unable to pull away from the Lenoir-Rhyne defense for the go-ahead goal.

UNCP goalie Tom Courtney saved three goals in the first half to take the Braves into half-time with a 0-0 tie before both teams scored goals in the second half.

Lenoir-Rhyne's Gay Higgins scored the game's first goal on a penalty kick at the 53-minute mark to give the Bears the early lead.

But just 16 minutes

later, the Braves responded with a shot to the back of the net by senior midfielder Davis Stephenson to knot the score at one apiece.

The goal was Davis' first of the season.

UNCP sophomore forward Andy Pullin assisted on Stephenson's goal for his first assist of the season.

With the game tied heading into overtime, Lenoir-Rhyne junior forward Dave Bailey almost sealed the game for the Bears, but his shot at the 97th minute just missed the goal to keep the score tied.

Overtime shots

The Braves added five more shots in the second overtime, but were unable to connect for the road victory.



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UNCP's Davis Stephenson scored the Braves only goal in a 1-1 tie against Lenoir-Rhyne.

Lenoir-Rhyne goalkeeper Tom Heath saved two goals in the second overtime to keep the

Braves off the scoreboard.

With the tie, the Black and Gold completed a five-game stretch where

the team went 2-1-1 in four road games.

The men's soccer team will next be in action

Sept. 16 as regional rival St. Andrews travels to Pembroke to take on the Braves.

Men lose at home match

By Nick Phillips
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The UNCP men's soccer team hosted Queens University on Sept. 6 and was able to tally a season-high 14 shots on goal, however the high number of shots were unable to translate into goals, as the Braves came away with a 2-0 loss in their home opener.

Senior Rondell Honora led the Braves with six shots on goal, as UNCP held possession of the ball for the first part of the game.

That would be when Queens took advantage of

two Braves' errors to score its only goals of the game in the 18th and 26th minutes.

Tyker Dunmyer scored the first goal for Queens at the 17:43 mark, off a header from a corner kick by Jonathan Grajeda.

The Royals followed their first goal with another by Jeremy Chambers at the 25:09 mark later in the game.

Grajeda assisted on both goals for Queens.

Shooting expo

Four different Braves took shots on goal during the game, with sophomore Carlos Cipriano and sen-

ior Diego Castillo following Honora with three shots and two shots on goal respectively.

In the second half, the Black and Gold outshot Queens 6-1 to open up the second frame, but again the offense was unable to convert to try to pull even with the Royals.

Defensively, UNCP goalkeeper Dean Moore saved three shots by the Royals.

With the win, Queens has now won four games in a row against the Braves, and are now a perfect 6-0-0 against the Braves in games played at UNCP.



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The Black and Gold's Daniel Bougt scores his first career goal against Pfeiffer.

Braves top the Falcons

By Leon Preston
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UNCP and Pfeiffer University engaged in a soccer battle Sept. 4, as the Black and Gold took home a 2-1 win on the road in Misenheimer, N.C.

The contest had plenty of drama, as both teams accounted for 30 fouls, 15 offside penalties called, 25 shots on goal and three second half scores, with the Black and Gold taking the victory on a late game shot.

The Pfeiffer Knights scored the game's first goal, as the Falcons' Kash Knight received a cross from fellow teammate Renato Barbosa in the 55th minute of the game

to put the Falcons up 1-0.

But, the Braves battled back as UNCP was able to knot the game at one apiece on a penalty kick made by sophomore Andy Pullin in the 67th minute.

Game winner

The game-winning goal came in the 85th minute as Braves' midfielder Daniel Bougt boot-ed in a ball for the go-ahead goal to put the Braves up 2-1.

The UNCP freshman intercepted a pass made by the Falcons' defense and capitalized on their mistake by putting one in the back of the net just through Pfeiffer's goalie's hands.

On defense, the Black

and Gold showed a lot of determination, junior goalkeeper Dean Moore registered five saves on six shots in the 90 minute contest to help propel UNCP past Pfeiffer.

Offensively, the Braves and Falcons were evenly matched as the teams took 12 and 13 shots on goal respectively.

The Black and Gold racked up 16 fouls in the contest, including nine in the first half, with senior forward Rondell Honora and junior midfielder Ian Wagner receiving yellow cards in the game.

The win was the Braves' first on the road this season, as the team moves to 2-2-1 with the away victory.

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