

SoCon Announces ESPN3 Events

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The Southern Conference announced today (November 1) a schedule of 26 live events to be broadcast exclusively through ESPN3 as part of the league's agreement with the live broadband sports network. The package calls for both regular season and championship events to be carried by ESPN3.

"This is a significant

addition for our programs and our fans," said Southern Conference Commissioner John Iamarino. "ESPN3 is available in roughly 80 percent of all U.S. households and gives us a way to tap into ESPN's cutting edge delivery system. It's a huge plus for us."

The agreement calls for five conference championship finals to be shown, beginning with the league's Women's Soccer final on Sunday (November 6). The title games of the men's soccer and volleyball tournaments will also be shown this fall, while the league's softball and baseball championship games will air on ESPN3 exclusively in the spring.

A total of 13 men's basketball games will be shown live on ESPN3, including four non-conference games. The men's basketball package begins November 16 when Clemson visits The Citadel. Wofford hosts Davidson on December 1st in the first league game on ESPN3. The quarterfinals of the men's basketball tournament on March 3 will air exclusively on ESPN3.

Southern Conference teams are scheduled to make at least 11 appearances on national television during the season, including the 2012 Southern Conference men's tournament final, which is slated for a 9:00 p.m. tip on either ESPN or ESPN2 on March 5. League teams will also make an additional 12 appearances on numerous regional sports networks.

ESPN3 will carry eight Southern Conference women's basketball regular season games with each league team making at least one appearance. The first women's game is slotted for December 5 when Furman visits Georgia Southern.

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Nov. 6 Women's Soccer Championship Game, 1 p.m.

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Nov. 13 Men's Soccer Championship Game, 1 p.m.
Nov. 21 Volleyball Championship Game, 6 p.m.
Nov. 16 Men's Basketball, Clemson at The Citadel, 7 p.m.

Dec. 1 Men's Basketball, Davidson at Wofford, 7 p.m.

Dec. 5 Women's Basketball, Furman at Georgia Southern, 7 p.m.
Dec. 7 Men's Basketball, Vanderbilt at Davidson, 7 p.m.

Dec. 17 Women's Basketball, Western Carolina at Samford 3 p.m.
Dec. 22 Men's Basketball, VCU at UNCG, 7 p.m.

Dec. 30 Men's Basketball, George Mason at Coll. of Charleston, 7 p.m.
Jan. 12 Men's Basketball, Furman at Appalachian State, 7 p.m.
Jan. 21 Women's Basketball, Chattanooga at Appalachian State, 2:30 p.m.
Jan. 26 Men's Basketball, Georgia Southern at Samford, 8 p.m.
Jan. 30 Women's Basketball, Elon at Chattanooga, 7 p.m.

Feb. 2 Men's Basketball, Chattanooga at Western Carolina, 7 p.m.
Feb. 6 Women's Basketball, Samford at Wofford, 6 p.m.

Feb. 9 Men's Basketball, Elon at Chattanooga, 7 p.m.

Feb. 14 Women's Basketball, Davidson at UNCG, 7 p.m.

Feb. 20 Women's Basketball, Elon at College of Charleston, 7 p.m.
Feb. 27 Women's Basketball, Appalachian State at Chattanooga, 7 p.m.
March 3 Men's Basketball, SoCon Tournament Quarterfinals, 12:00 p.m.

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May 12 Softball Championship Game, 1:30 p.m.
May 27 Baseball Championship Game, 2:00 p.m.