

Mountaineers Blank Wofford

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Three first half goals propelled Appalachian State University women's soccer to a 3-0 victory over Southern Conference foe Wofford Friday night at Snyder Field. With the victory, the Mountaineers improved to 5-1-1 in the conference and

8-5-1 overall. The Terriers fell to 6-8-1 on the season and 1-6-1 in league play. The Apps improved their unbeaten streak against Wofford to five-straight matches, adding to a two-match winning streak against WC.

The backline did not allow a shot on goal for the night as the shutout was credited to freshman Megan Roberson and junior Amy Kolowsky. Wofford was limited to just five shots for the match. "The girls really stepped up and finished some big opportunities tonight," head coach Sarah Strickland said. "Tonight was truly a team win with so many individuals playing their hearts out. Their investment in this program is paying off with so many players making an impact."

Appalachian started quickly in the sixth minute as sophomore Leah Drawdy fed a cross into the box and found sophomore forward Julia Holz. Holz knocked in a shot past Wofford goalkeeper Kimberly Cohn for her sixth goal of the season, topping her season total from a year ago.

The Mountaineers continued their pressure in the 11th minute, being awarded a free kick outside the WC box. Junior midfielder Sam Neill sent the ball into the box and senior midfielder Sam McVeigh was able to her head to it to notch the second goal of the match. The goal was McVeigh's first of the season.

App State added to its lead when senior defender Taylor Dunlap fired a shot from 25 yards out past Cohn for her second goal of her four-year career. The Mountaineers' defense held the shutout in the second half, clinching Appalachian's fifth conference victory of the season.

Dunlap led the Apps with two shots on goal, as she played the entire 90 minutes on the backline. McVeigh also tallied 90 minutes for the match as 23 different Mountaineers saw playing time on the night.

Appalachian returns to action on Sunday, Oct. 14 when they travel to Furman. Kickoff from Greenville, S.C. is set for 2 p.m.

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