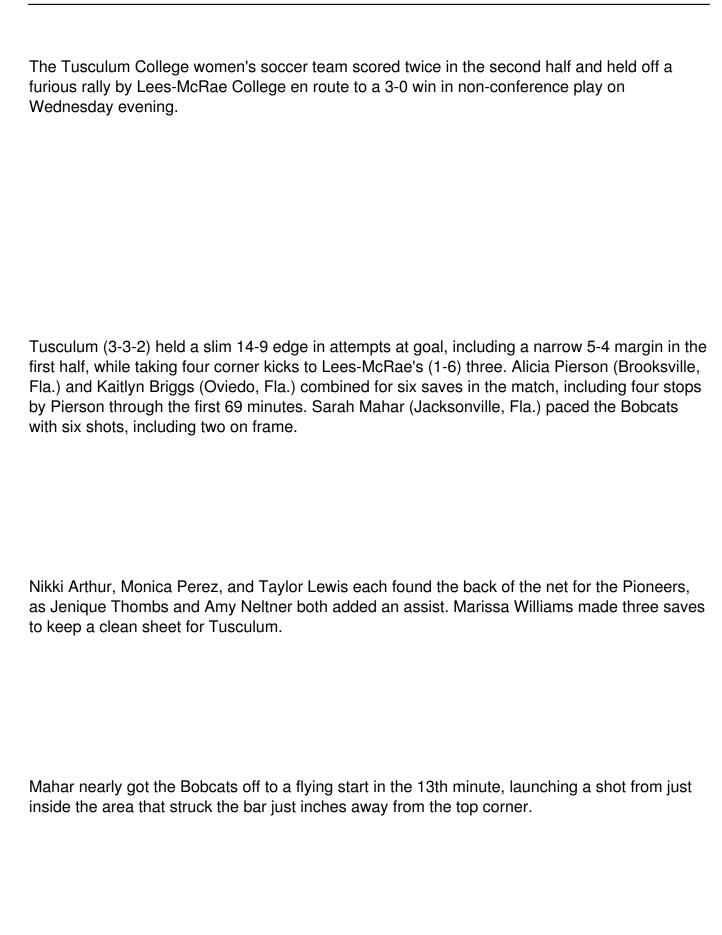
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Tusculum would break the deadlock early in the 20th minute, taking a 1-0 lead when Arthur found the back of the net from 20 yards out off a cross from Thombs. Mahar put another attempt on frame midway through the 31st minute, forcing Williams into a skillful save to preserve the one-goal advantage heading into the interval.

Perez doubled the margin to 2-0 less than three minutes into the second half, spinning off a loose ball and tucking away the finish late in the 48th minute. Lewis would stretch the lead to 3-0 in the 64th minute after Neltner put her in on goal with a flicked through ball.

Freshman Hannah Cruse (Concord, N.C.) came within inches of netting her first collegiate goal midway through the 76th minute, forcing Williams into a difficult stop off a strong buildup by the Bobcats.

Lees-McRae returns to the pitch on Saturday when the Bobcats resume their Conference Carolinas slate with a 3 p.m. tilt against North Greenville University on Tate Field.