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Appalachian State University men's soccer played in-state ACC member NC State on Tuesday evening and fell by a final 4-1 tally.

Senior goalkeeper Danny Free (Doncaster, England/Hall Cross School) moved into sixth place all-time on the career saves list. Free came into the contest one save shy of moving up and made four big saves for the Mountaineers on the night.

The Mountaineers (3-6-6) held their own throughout the match against a tough opponent in the Wolfpack. NC State led in shots in the match 14-10, including eight on goal for the Wolfpack and five for the Mountaineers. The Apps held the advantage in corner kicks five to two.

The Wolfpack (7-4-4) got the scoring started early. In the third minute of the game Nazmi Albadawi put one past Free on an assist from Gbenga Makinde. Then in the 22nd minute Clement Simonin was able to volley a deep throw in from Nick Surkamp to give the Wolfpack a 2-0 advantage.

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The two goal lead would hold going into the half for NC State. Not to long into the second half in the 48th minute Moss Jackson-Atogi would strike early for a 3-0 advantage. Alex Martinez sent a ball into the box from the right on a set piece that Jackson-Atogi was able to get a head on.

Appalachian State would get on the scoreboard in the 49th minute on a free kick from Patrick Harrow (Davidson, N.C./North Mecklenburg) who blasted a set piece from 30-yards out past Wolfpack keeper, Fabian Otte to cut the deficit to 3-1. Otte made four saves on the night. The goal for Harrow was the first of the season for the defender.

21 seconds later, however, the Wolfpack would get the Harrow goal back as Surkamp would score on a through ball from Albadawi and give NC State its three goal lead back and this time for good.

The Mountaineers will return to action on Friday for their final conference match of the season when they travel to Davidson. Kick off is set for 7 p.m.