

Longwood Doubles Up ASU Field Hockey

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Appalachian State University field hockey dropped its last regular season match of the 2013 season on Friday night at Kidd Brewer Stadium, falling to Longwood 4-2.

The last home and regular season match would be an exciting one as the Mountaineers and the Lancers fought throughout the first half, reaching a 0-0 stalemate at halftime.

The Apps would enter the second half with determination, scoring ten minutes in off the stick of Jessi Stuart. Stuart found Dana Wetmore off a penalty corner, who immediately passed the ball back to give Stuart the goal.

The Mountaineers would not stop there, scoring again at the 61:23 minute mark from Lynnae Luettich. Stuart got the assist after finding Luettich in front of the goal on the right side of the field to make the score 2-0.

The Lancers would begin to make a stunning comeback in the last nine minutes of the match, scoring three minutes later from Vanessa Tapper. Hollie MacDonald would score one minute later for the Lancers, finding the net to tie the score 2-2 with less than five minutes to play.

With three minutes left in the match Longwood's Tapper dribbled the ball around App's defenders for a wide open shot and the goal to take the lead. Longwood would find one final goal from Stacey de Grandhomme in the last four seconds to take the match 4-2. Stuart, Wetmore and Luettich led the Mountaineers, recording two shots each, with Stuart and Wetmore both adding an assist on the match.

Goalkeeper Sarah Anderson ended the match with 10 saves to add to her impressive total of 336 career saves at Appalachian. The Apps were outshot 22 to six and were awarded two penalty corners to Longwood's six.

With the loss, Appalachian concludes its season with a 2-16 overall record and 1-7 in the NorPac, while Longwood improves to 7-11 overall and 5-2 in the NorPac.

Appalachian State will hope to compete in the NorPac tournament on Thursday, Nov. 7, hosted by Liberty University in Lynchburg, Va.