

Belmont Abbey Eliminates L-R On PKs

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The Belmont Abbey Women's Soccer Team (15-3-4) moved on to the NCAA Division II Southeast

Regional Finals after advancing on penalty kicks, 7-6, over Lenoir-Rhyne (14-4-2) Sunday in a second round match at the Moretz Sports - Athletic Complex.

The contest ended in a 1-1 tie after two overtimes of play.

Belmont Abbey advanced to the Round Of 16 and will take on Wingate (15-2-4) in the regional championship next Friday.

Top-seeded Wingate also advanced on penalty kicks over Columbus State (15-6-1) in the second round at home today. That contest ended deadlocked at one as well.

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Lenoir-Rhyne, ranked No. 16 in NCAA Division II, was the second seed in the Southeast Region while Belmont Abbey was seeded third.

L-R sophomore defender Amber Madriaga (Wailuku, Hawaii) opened the scoring in the 32nd minute after finishing off a shot from the left of the box. The goal was Madriaga's second of the year.

Belmont Abbey responded at the 57:28 mark of the second half after Meghan Philp (Houma, La.) scored her 10th goal of the season. Philp headed in a corner kick from Jillian Lang (Matthews, N.C.), who was credited with the assist.

The contest remained tied at one through two overtimes before the Crusaders prevailed on penalty kicks.

Lenoir-Rhyne, who was making its fourth consecutive appearance to the postseason, held a 20-11 advantage in shots taken in the match.

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The Crusaders' goalkeeper, Hannah Kohls (Cincinnati, Ohio), made nine saves while freshman goalkeeper Andrea Leano (San Diego, Calif.) made five stops in goal for the Bears. Both goalkeepers allowed just one goal in 110 minutes of action.