

# Women's soccer falls against Presbyterian

**Bud Hoopes**  
Staff Reporter

The Fightin' Christians women's soccer team suffered its second consecutive loss at Bakatsias Field on Saturday to the Blue Hose of Presbyterian University.

The loss brings the Fightin' Christians, who were the No. 15 team in the nation, to an overall record of 7-2-2 and 4-2-0 in the SAC. Presbyterian, the No. 4 team in the nation, is 11-1 overall and 5-0 in the conference. Elon lost to Catawba last week 1-0.

Despite the loss against Presbyterian, Elon coach Laura Mussulman credits the success of the team to its defense.

"The strength in our defense is probably the largest standout. It's what keeps us together," Mussulman said. "Offensively, we have a few people who can get goals on the board for us as far as Kam Radford and Shannon Currin who are two up front leaders for us."

For the year, Currin leads the team in goals with 9 and Radford



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Senior Nancy Hogan holds back a Presbyterian player as she pushes the ball down the field.

has 8. Presbyterian outshot Elon 17-3 and that pressure on goal is what made the difference. "We had no offense or transition. Even though we had the ball in the middle a lot of the time, we couldn't take advantage of the opportunity that was there," Kam Radford said.

The Fightin' Christians were

shutout for the second time this season.

Coming out of half time, the momentum started to shift in favor of Presbyterian and as a result, Presbyterian scored two unanswered goals in 14 minutes.

"Our starters weren't on today. People off the bench gave us a lot of effort but we didn't play as

a team offensively," Mussulman said following the game.

"We packed it in a little too much defensively and when we got to the ball we didn't come forward with it very well." The Fightin' Christians' next home game is Oct. 18 against Gardner-Webb University. The game begins at 4 p.m.

## Athlete of the Week

Colleen Herndon  
Staff Reporter



The Pendulum regrets that no photo of Eric Hines could be obtained for this edition.

**Name:** Eric Hines  
**Sport:** Men's Cross Country  
**Age:** 18  
**Hometown:** Waynesboro, Va.  
**Class:** Freshman  
**Major:** Business  
**Future Goals:** "I would like to get ahead in the business world and continue running competitively after Elon."

**Stats from last meet:**  
Placed 35th out of 91  
Time: 36:50.36 (10,000 meters)

**Coach Morningstar's remarks:** "He came in good condition as a freshman and has done an outstanding job for us. He has been our top runner for the past five meets, we're very fortunate to have him."

**Hine's thoughts about the team:** "We're really good this year and have a lot of potential. I feel we have a good chance to qualify for national competition."

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## Weekend Scores



### Men's Soccer

Elon 1, Pfeiffer 3  
Elon 0, Queens 3  
Elon 0, Catawba 3

### Men's and Women's Cross Country

(N.C. Collegiate Championships in Charlotte)  
Women finished 2 of 8  
Men finished 4 of 8

### Volleyball

Catawba defeated Elon 12-15, 8-15, 12-15  
Elon defeated St. Andrews 15-8, 15-9, 15-11  
Elon defeated Lenoir Rhyne 15-7, 15-11, 15-7  
Elon defeated Mars Hill 14-6, 15-12, 15-5, 15-9  
Wingate defeated Elon 13-5, 15-4, 5-15, 15-2, 16-14

# Burnett returns following 8-day suspension

**Erick Gill**  
Editor-in-chief

Elon College head football coach Leon Hart announced on Oct. 11 that senior safety and tri-captain Robert Burnett was suspended indefinitely from the team. However, Hart and Burnett met on Monday afternoon and Burnett returned to practice on Tuesday.

"It was a violation of team policy," Hart said on Monday before he and Burnett met. "It was a problem we talked about. This was an extremely disruptive event. This suspension will go as long as it has to get corrected that could mean one game or the rest of the season." Burnett, from Jacksonville,

N.C., said on Sunday that the suspension was a result of some arguments and comments he made toward other players during the game against Mars Hill on Oct. 8.

"In the past I've made comments against players, but it never erupted like it did in the game

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*Robert Burnett*

against Mars Hill," Burnett said. "A team leader isn't supposed to disrupt the team in anyway," he

said. "Some of those comments took players' focus away from the game and because of that the coaches weren't able to make the adjustments they needed to make."

Burnett said that the coaches had talked to him about the situation in the past.

"I stood on the sidelines Saturday (during the Presbyterian game)," Burnett said. "It was an uneasy feeling. I wasn't in uniform and watching from the sidelines wasn't the same perspective as being on the field."

"It was hard standing there," Burnett said. "I really wanted to be in the game."

"I stood on the sidelines to help some of the young players - to talk to them," he said. "I wanted to

talk to them player-to-player. It's a different perspective when a coach tells you something, but as an experienced player I thought I could help. By talking on the sidelines, I thought I contributed that way."

Other players who have been suspended this season, but have returned were: Mark Lloyd, Erik Whiteside, Trey Foy, and Mandell Dobson.

Hart said that several actions that are taken when players violate team rules and "suspension is one of them."

"We have a list of rules and regulations...I have to judge in every situation how (violations) are to be handled," Hart said.

Hart chose not to discuss any of the reasons for the suspensions.