



# Athletic Update

CLEARWATER CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

OCTOBER 5, 2011

## UPCOMING GAMES:

- **VB 10/4 @ Florida College**
- **WS 10/4 vs. Florida College**
- **MS 10/4 vs. Florida College**
- **VB 10/7-10/8 CCC Invitational Tournament**
- **WS 10/8 @ Ave Maria**

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## Women's Soccer Defeats Toccoa Falls and Point University

(9/30/11) The women's soccer team won their fourth game of the season on Friday at Toccoa Falls College. Coach Bates was pleased with the defensive effort of the team today in what was their third shutout victory of the season. Substitute, Ally Young made her mark on the game in the 36th minute when she beat the TFC keeper, with the assist from sophomore Katherine Helder. The Lady Cougars took a 1 goal lead into the half and would make it hold up for a full 90 minutes. Freshman, Cybille Lassegue scored her first goal of the season in the 63rd minute with the header assist from Katherine Helder off of a corner kick, to give the Cougars the 2-0 win.

(10/1/11) The women's soccer team played their second conference game in as many days

on Saturday against #2 ranked Point University. After losing to the Point Skyhawks at home earlier this season, the Lady Cougars knew this would be a tough, physical match. That proved to be the case throughout the first half, as neither team was able to score a goal.

In the 72nd minute, Katie Mills tracked down a long ball, played from the back by Whitney Redemann, beat the Point defender, and slotted the ball across the front of the goal. Rebecca Farrell received the pass from Mills and calmly played the ball into the back of the net for the game's only goal. The Lady Cougars were able to hold off the Skyhawks for the final 18 minutes to earn the hard fought victory.

Coach Bates was pleased with the defensive effort from the girls and happy to earn two tough victories against conference opponents on the road. He said "The team showed great determination and desire this weekend. It's never easy to win back to back road games against conference opponents, but the team played hard and earned both of these victories."

The Lady Cougars next game is at home on Tuesday, October 4th at 4 p.m. against Florida College.



## Cougars Volleyball Drops Final Match of SFCC Tournament

The CCC Cougars fell in the final match of SFCC Tournament against Pasco Hernando Community College, who are currently ranked third in the nation in the latest NJCAA II polls. Clearwater knew they would have their work cut out going up against last year's NJCAA II National Champions. During the first set, the Cougars lacked the defensive intensity needed against the strong of-

defensive attack of PHCC, dropping the first set 16-25. Although during the second set, the Cougars again fell short, 22-25, the defensive system began to kick in with the CCC team recording 33 digs. Set three saw the lead change between the two teams several times and CCC finally took a set. In the final set, the Cougars had Pasco 23-21 but were unable to score the final two points, eventually losing 23-25.

Emma Kile and Richelle Bucklin led in kills with 18 and 17 respectively for the match, while

on the defensive end Kim Ponce had 21 digs, Amanda Ison had 19 kills, and Sarah Wild added 17 digs. According to Coach Denny, "Although we really wanted to take this match, I am pleased with the total team effort against a really strong program. This past week we have been involved in some excellent competition and we finished our week 6-1. Although this final match did not result in another win, I believe we played well and have learned some positive things that will help us in the competitive matches ahead."



## MISSION

### STATEMENT

The purpose of the Athletic Department at Clearwater Christian College is to provide a competitive intercollegiate athletic program dedicated to bringing glory to God by using athletics: first, to present an unshakeable testimony for Christ both on and off the playing field; second, to promote discipleship within the team setting; and third, to provide ministry opportunities for our athletes to share God's Word with others.



## Athlete Spotlight: Ryan Jones

Ryan Jones is a junior golfer here at Clearwater and is currently second on the team in scoring average with an 80.25 average for the season. Ryan is a business management major from Milton, Florida and graduated from West Florida Baptist Academy.

He is a key player on our team and will be counted on to play well next week as the

Cougars travel to Easley, South Carolina for the NCCAA South Region Tournament on October 10-11 at Smithfield Country Club. Ryan is hopeful of qualifying as an individual for the NCCAA National Tournament coming up later this month.

## Men's Soccer Defeats Toccoa, Ties with Point

(9/30/11) Clearwater Christian College defeated Toccoa Falls College 1-0 on Dean-Paul Wallace's goal midway through the first half. With the win, the Cougars moved to 2-1 in the NCCAA South Region ahead of a key region matchup with Point University on Saturday. The win was the 7th straight for the Cougars over the Eagles.

Clearwater started strong, moving the ball well as they dominated possession and created several chances to score. In the 23rd minute, a pair of freshmen contributed to the only goal of the match when Wallace got behind the TFC defense and calmly beat the keeper off an assist from James Sikes.

In the second half, the Cougars pushed hard to get the 2nd goal, but each time they were denied by the TFC defense. The Cougar defense played well in earning the shutout victory led by senior defender Matt Tewes and junior goalkeeper Anthony DeRosse.

After the match, Coach Whitaker commented, "I was very pleased with our effort tonight all the way around against a quality Toccoa team."

(10/1/11) Clearwater Christian College came very close to earning a huge region win over Point University but were forced to settle for a 1-1 draw in an epic overtime match on Saturday in East Point, Georgia.

The Cougars best chance of the first half came midway through the half when Mac Hildebrand missed wide on an empty net that could have given Clearwater the early lead. Luke McClendon scored first for Point in the 28th minute when the Cougars failed to clear a ball in the box and he found the net to give the Skyhawks the lead.

In the second half, the Cougars pushed hard to even the match and were able to create several great scoring chances. Seth Dempsey nearly scored on a volley but the Skyhawk keeper

came up with a great reaction save to push the ball over the goal and preserve the lead. In the closing minutes of regulation, the Cougars had several corners and free kicks and were rewarded with 5 minutes to go when Matt Tewes hammered home the game tying goal off a corner to send the match into overtime.

In overtime, the Cougars continued to keep the pressure up to get the game winning goal but each time the Point defense was up to the challenge. During the first overtime, Walter Scharf's point blank header was saved at the last second by the Point keeper to preserve the tie.

Coach Whitaker had this to say about the draw: "I thought we played well enough to earn the win tonight but we couldn't catch a break. I was proud of the way our guys fought back and pushed hard to earn the tying goal. We have to find ways to finish our chances but overall I was pleased with our effort."