

Saturday, November 8, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER LOSES TO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY 4-1
Warriors drop eight of last nine after 8-2 start, finishing 9-10

MIDDLETOWN, Conn. -- Senior Andy Ouimette scored twice in the second half to break a 1-1 halftime deadlock and carry the Wesleyan University men's soccer team to a 4-1 victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday in the regular-season finale for both teams.

The loss is the eighth in the final nine for Eastern (9-10), which had opened its season with eight wins in its first ten outings -- its best start since 1978. Wesleyan is 8-5-1.

With Eastern trailing 1-0, freshman forward **Geoff Zimmitti (HEBRON)** scored his third goal of the year on a header off junior midfielder **Jason Dieterle's (MANCHESTER)** corner kick in the 41st minute. Ouimette, however, scored his fifth and sixth goals of the year two minutes apart 20 minutes into the half as the Cardinals defeated the Warriors for the fourth straight season.

Wesleyan University 4, Eastern Conn. 1

Eastern Conn. (9-10)	1	0	--	1
Wesleyan U. (8-5-1)	1	3	--	4

W-Jeff Gregor (unassisted) 8:48; E-Geoff Zimmitti (Jason Dieterle) 40:24; W-Andy Ouimette (unassisted) 65:31; W-Ouimette (unassisted) 67:10; W-Wikid Wilson (unassisted) 83:14. Shots: E-10, W-15; Saves: E-Jared Bretas 2, W-David Dietche 5, Mark Penrod 0.

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ECSU BEATEN BY PLYMOUTH STATE COLLEGE IN MEN'S SOCCER *Panthers win fourth Little East Conference championship with 6-2 victory*

PLYMOUTH, NH -- Little East Conference scoring leader Brett Scaccia scored three second-half goals to lift the Plymouth State College men's soccer team to a 6-2 win over Eastern Connecticut State University which clinched the Panthers' fourth conference crown.

The title is the fourth in the nine-year history of the conference and second in as many years for the Panthers (12-2-1, 7-0), ranked second in New England and 15th nationally. Eastern (9-9, 2-5), the only team to defeat Plymouth a year ago, lost for the seventh time in its last eight outings.

Two first-half goals by junior midfielder **Jason Dieterle (MANCHESTER)** -- his team-leading sixth and seventh of the campaign -- gave ECSU a 2-1 lead in the 34th minute but Plymouth was awarded a penalty kick following a collision in the box one minute later and converted it to tie the match

Scaccia, who also assisted on his team's first goal, improved his conference-leading point total to 42 points and 19 goals. Danny Gilbertson, who tied the match with the penalty kick goal, finished with two goals.

Sophomore **Jared Bretas (TOLLAND)** made his second career start in net for Eastern, making eight saves.

Eastern closes out its regular season Saturday at Wesleyan University at 1 p.m.

Men's Soccer Saturday's Result at Plymouth, NH

Plymouth State 6, Eastern Conn. 2

Eastern Conn. (9-9)	2	0	--	2
Plymouth State (12-2-1)	2	4	--	6

P-Mark Fiore (Brett Scaccia) 9:00; E-Jason Dieterle (unassisted) 13:00; E-Dieterle (unassisted) 34:00; P-Danny Gilbertson (penalty kick) 35:00; P-Scaccia (Simon Sendowski) 56:00; P-Gilbertson (Milton Medeiros) 60:00; P-Scaccia (Magnus Karlsson) 61:00; P-Scaccia (Jeff Boston) 75:00.

Shots: E-5, P-14; Saves: E-Jared Bretas 8, P-Magnus Karlsson 2, Jeremy Aron 1.

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FONTELA SCORES FIVE GOALS AS CONN ROUTS ECSU 6-1

Warriors drop sixth in last seven in men's soccer

NEW LONDON, Conn. -- Junior forward Jonah Fontela doubled his season output by scoring five goals as the Connecticut College men's soccer team routed Eastern Connecticut State University 6-1 Thursday.

The loss is the sixth in the last seven outings for Eastern (9-8), which has dropped five straight decisions to Conn. The Camels (7-3-3), last year's ECAC New England Division III champion, are ranked eighth in the NSCAA/Umbro Division III Metro Region.

Fontela scored the first two goals of the match as Conn built a 3-1 halftime lead, then added all three of his team's second-half goals. The Camels outshot ECSU 26-12, with Fontela collecting 14.

Junior midfielder Jason Dieterle (MANCHESTER) scored his fifth goal of the season late in the first half for Eastern on a direct kick which deflected off a Conn College defender.

The goals are the most allowed since a 7-1 loss to Kean College in the second match of the 1994 campaign in the second round of the Puma Classic at Keene, NH.

Eastern closes out its Little East Conference season Saturday, travelling to face No.-15 nationally-ranked Plymouth State, which has already wrapped up its third straight conference title and fifth in the nine-year history of the championship.

Thursday's Result at New London, CT

Connecticut College 6, Eastern Conn. 1

Eastern Conn. (9-8)	1	0	--	1
Conn College (7-3-3)	3	3	--	6

C-Jonah Fontela (Jamie Tuttle) 18:40; C-Fontela (Tuttle) 30:56; C-Jason Lilien (Brian Diamond, Keith Toohey) 37:45; E-Jason Dieterle (unassisted) 42:37; C-Fontela (Stephen Ladas) 45:57; C-Fontela (unassisted) 55:28; C-Fontela (Lilien, Wesley Harris) 61:45.

Shots: E-12, C-26; Saves: E-Scott Magnano 2, Jared Bretas 6; C-Ian Bauer 5, Kyle Sheffield 2.

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October 25, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER STOPS FIVE-GAME SLIDE 2-0
Former E.O. Smith teammates each score in Little East win

NORTH DARTMOUTH, Mass. -- Former E.O. Smith High School teammates Vincent Cioffi (WILLINGTON) and Josh Capral (MANSFIELD) scored goals 16 minutes apart in the first half to lift the Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team to a 2-0 Little East Conference victory over Massachusetts Dartmouth Saturday.

The win snaps a five-game losing streak for Eastern (9-7-0, 2-4) while (4-9-2, 0-5-1) extends its winless streak to five (0-3-2).

Cioffi took over the team lead in goals and points (13) with his fifth goal of the season in the 21st minute when he put back his own rebound when the initial shot was saved by UMass sophomore keeper Rob Moles. Capral scored his second goal of the year in the 37th minute. UMass was unable to clear a served ball in the box and Capral put it past Moles from the right post.

In defeating UMass for the third straight season, Eastern outshot the hosts 18-10. ECSU junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) made five saves in registering his third complete-game shutout of the season.

Eastern visits Connecticut College Thursday at 3 p.m.

Eastern Conn. 2, UMass Dartmouth 0

Eastern Conn. (9-7)	2	0	--	2
Umass Dartmouth (4-9-2)	0	0	--	0

Vincent Cioffi (unassisted) 20:54; Josh Capral (unassisted) 36:55.

Shots: E-18, UMD-10; Saves: E-Scott Magnano 5, UMD-Rob Moles 5, Mike Ring

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October 21, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER DROPS FIFTH STRAIGHT MATCH

Warriors beaten by Keene State, fall to 1-4 in Little East

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Keene State College broke from a scoreless first half -- scoring twice in a 20 second span early in the second half -- to post a 4-1 Little East Conference men's soccer victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Tuesday.

The win is the sixth straight overall and third against one Little East Conference loss for Keene (11-2), ranked fourth in this week's Umbro/NSCAA New England Division III poll. The loss is the fifth straight for the Warriors (8-7) and fourth against one conference triumph.

Following a scoreless first half, the Owls scored four times in a 16 minute span in the second half, the first two goals coming 20 seconds apart six minutes into the half.

Sophomore Phil DaRosa scored Keene's first and last goals while freshmen Mike Norton and Jesse Beer also tallied.

Junior midfielder **Jason Dieterle (MANCHESTER)** scored his fourth goal of the season in the 59th minute to cut the Owls' lead to 2-1 but Beer and DaRose answered with goals four minutes apart five minutes later.

Eastern travels to Massachusetts Dartmouth Saturday for a 1 p.m. conference match.

at Willimantic, Conn.

Keene State College 4, Eastern Conn. 1

Keene State (11-2)	0	4	--	4
Eastern Conn. (8-7)	0	1	--	1

K-Phil DaRosa (David Stuart) 51:17; K-Mike Norton (Justin Belanger) 51:37; E-Jason Dieterle (unassisted) 58:09; K-Jesse Beer (Norton) 63:22; K-DaRosa (Kevin Chevalier).

Shots: K-12, E-11; Saves: K-Matt Andrulot 7, E-Scott Magnano 3, Jared Bretas 1.

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ECSU MEN'S SOCCER DROPS FOURTH STRAIGHT 2-0 *Warriors beaten by Rhode Island College in Little East play*

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Jeff Kelly and Todd Wojik scored their first goals of the season eight minutes apart to lift the Rhode Island College men's soccer team to a 2-0 Little East Conference victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday.

The loss is the fourth straight for Eastern (8-6, 1-3) while the Anchormen improve to 8-5, 2-2 in the conference.

Kelly, a freshman, scored his team's first goal to snap a scoreless tie in the 29th minute -- one-timing a cross from freshman teammate Tim Cullen that bounced over the foot of an ECSU defender in the box -- then set up Wojik's header with a cross from the left wing eight minutes later.

Eastern outshot Rhode Island 21-11 but sophomore keeper Peter Gallo came up with seven saves, robbing the Warriors twice with leaping saves on shots in the box. ECSU junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) made six saves.

Rhode Island played the final 27 minutes one man short after Tim Brown was given a red card and ejected.

Eastern hosts Keene State College Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in its final regular-season home appearance.

Men's Soccer Saturday's Result at Willimantic, Conn.

Rhode Island College 2, Eastern Conn. 0

R.I. College (8-5)	2	0	--	2
Eastern Conn. (8-6)	0	0	--	0

Jeff Kelly (Tim Cullen) 28:06; Todd Wojik (Kelly) 36:12.

Shots: R-11, E-21; Saves: R-Peter Gallo 7, E-Scott Magnano 6.

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October 15, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER DROPS THIRD STRAIGHT

Warriors shut out by Trinity College 1-0

HARTFORD, Conn. -- Dan Rudolph broke a scoreless tie with seven minutes left in the first half as the Trinity College men's soccer team snapped a three-game losing streak with a 1-0 victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Wednesday.

The loss is the third straight for Eastern (8-5), ranked tenth in New England, while the Bantams improve to 4-4-1 with only their second win in the last six outings. Two of the losses in that stretch have come to teams ranked among the top five in New England.

Rudolph scored his second goal of the year on a header off a cross from Caley Iandorio. The shutout was the first of Trinity freshman keeper Tom Hambrick-Stowe's career.

Eastern hosts Rhode Island College Saturday at 1 p.m. in a Little East Conference match.

Trinity College 1, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (8-5)	0	0	--	0
Trinity (4-4-1)	1	0	--	1

Dan Rudolph (Caley Iandorio) 38:15.

Shots: E-14, T-18; Saves: E-Scott Magnano 7, T-Tom Hambrick-Stowe 6.

Saturday, October 11, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER UPENDED AT SOUTHERN MAINE
Huskies score twice in first four minutes to win Little East match

GORHAM, Maine -- The Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team allowed two goals in the opening four minutes and never recovered in dropping a 4-2 Little East Conference decision at the University of Southern Maine Saturday.

The loss is the second in three conference outings for Eastern (8-4) while Southern Maine, which had lost five of its previous six matches, improves to 4-6-1 overall, 2-1 in the conference.

Playing without all-conference defender **Ted Buck (STORRS)**, who missed the match due to illness, Eastern also lost No.- 1 junior keeper **Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM)** with one minute left in the first half. Magnano, who had replaced starting sophomore keeper **Jared Bretas (TOLLAND)** four minutes earlier, was knocked from the match after having five teeth cracked in a collision with a Southern Maine player.

Eastern outshot Southern Maine 28-10 but Husky keeper Adam Swanson came up with 13 saves.

Eastern, ranked eighth in the Metro Region, travels to face sixth-ranked Trinity College Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Southern Maine 4, Eastern Conn. 2

Eastern Conn. (8-4)	1	1	--	2
Southern Maine (4-6-1)	3	1	--	4

S-Jamie Everhart (unassisted) 3:07; S-Josh Dorr (Matt Carrier) 4:14; S-Jesse Stetler (unassisted) 30:49; E-Nick Ghiglia (Jason Dieterle) 41:18; S-Everhart (Carrier) 49:04; E-Vincent Cioffi (Adam Botton) 81:00.

Shots: E-28, S-10; Saves: E-Jared Bretas 3, Scott Magnano 0; S-Adam Swanson 13.

Wednesday, Oct. 8, 1997

WHEATON SNAPS ECSU MEN'S SOCCER THREE-GAME STREAK

Lyons win battle of regionally-ranked teams 3-0

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Junior midfielder Jim Manganello hit a 35 yard bomb in the fifth minute and the Wheaton College (MA) men's soccer team added two insurance goals in the final eight minutes in a 3-0 victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Wednesday.

The match was an inter-regional battle between Wheaton (7-3), ranked fourth in New England, and Eastern (8-3), ranked eighth in the Metro Region. Wheaton's win snaps a two-game losing streak for the Lyons and ends ECSU's three-game winning streak.

In just the fifth minute of play, Manganello picked up a loose ball outside of the box, dribbled to his left and uncorked a left-footed 35-yarder over the head of ECSU junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) and just under the crossbar.

Freshman forward Eric Reed and sophomore forward Tony Catalano added insurance goals in the final eight minutes for Wheaton, which improved to 4-0-1 against ECSU in the all-time series. Both goal-scorers beat Magnano in one-on-one situations.

Eastern returns to Little East Conference action Saturday against host University of Southern Maine at 1 p.m.

Wheaton College (MA) 3, Eastern Conn. 0

Wheaton (7-3)	1	2	--	3
Eastern Conn. (8-3)	0	0	--	0

Jim Manganello (unassisted) 4:12; Eric Reed (John Schlieman) 82:25; Tony Catalano (Anson Smith) 89:57.

Shots: W-21, E-13; Saves: W-Jon Girolamo 5, E-Scott Magnano 8.

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Monday, Oct. 6, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER DEFEATS FITCHBURG STATE COLLEGE 4-1 Cioffi collects two goals and assist as Warriors win third straight

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Sophomore midfielder **Vincent Cioffi** (WILLINGTON) had two goals and an assist as the Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team defeated Fitchburg State College Monday.

The win is the third straight and fifth in sixth home outings for Eastern (8-2), which outshot the Falcons (3-7) 36-6.

The Warriors broke a scoreless tie in the 38th minute when sophomore forward **Josh Capral** (MANSFIELD) scored his first career goal. Leading 1-0 at halftime, Eastern scored three times in the second half -- the first by junior forward **Paul Bazzano** (ROCKY HILL) and the final two by Cioffi, who also assisted on Bazzano's goal. Senior midfielder **Barry Gordon** (BLOOMFIELD) also contributed two assists.

ECSU keepers **Scott Magnano** (EAST HADDAM) and **Jared Bretas** (TOLLAND) missed out on the shutout when Nate Arnold of Fitchburg beat Bretas with ten seconds left.

Eastern hosts Wheaton College Wednesday at 4 p.m. The Lyons are ranked second in New England.

Men's Soccer Monday's Result at Willimantic, Conn.

Eastern Conn. 4 Fitchburg State College 1

Fitchburg State (3-7)	0	1	--	1
Eastern Conn. (8-2)	1	3	--	4

E-Josh Capral (Chris Melingonis) 37:48; E-Paul Bazzano (*Michael Fritch*, Vincent Cioffi) 46:00; E-Cioffi (Barry Gordon, Bazzano) 66:08; E-Cioffi (Gordon) 68:24; F-Nate Arnold (unassisted) 89:50.

Shots: F-6, EC-36. Saves: F-Matt Juergens 12, Aaron Hohos 4; E-Scott Magnano 1, Jared Bretas 1.

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Saturday, Oct. 4, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER RALLIES FOR LITTLE EAST WIN OVER UMASS
Buck of Storrs scores first goal of season to give Warriors 4-3 victory

BOSTON, Mass. -- Sophomore back Ted Buck's (STORRS) first goal of the season with two minutes left in regulation capped a rally and gave the Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team a 4-3 Little East Conference victory over Massachusetts Boston Saturday.

The Warriors (7-2, 1-1) wiped out a 3-1 halftime deficit when they got goals from junior midfielder Nick Ghiglia (BRISTOL), junior forward Paul Bazzano (ROCKY HILL) and Buck in the second half. Ghiglia's second goal of the contest came on a penalty kick seven minute into the second half while Bazzano hammered in a rebound in the 68th minute.

Buck's winning goal came on a cross from former E.O. Smith High School teammate Vincent Cioffi (WILLINGTON).

Eastern outshot the Beacons (4-5-1, 1-1) 23-12 but the hosts managed to score on three of their eight first-half shots.

The Warriors host Fitchburg State College today at 4 p.m.

Eastern Conn. 4, UMass Boston 3

Eastern Conn. (7-2)	1	3	--	4	
UMass Boston (4-5-1)		3	0	--	3

E-Nick Ghiglia (unassisted) 8:45; MB-Lukasz Kozak (Bill Roper) 10:55; MB-Kozak (penalty kick) 17:33; MB-Demeus Wigens (Otniel Nascimento) 42:00; E-Ghiglia (penalty kick) 52:00; E-Paul Bazzano (unassisted) 67:47; E-Ted Buck (Vincent Cioffi) 88:00.

Shots: E-23, MB-12; Saves: E-Scott Magnano 4; MB-Andrew Doughty 7.

Wednesday, Oct. 1, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER BLANKS ALBERTUS MAGNUS COLLEGE 3-0

NEW HAVEN, Conn. -- Freshman stopperback **Nathan Castro (EAST HARTFORD)** scored his team-leading fourth goal four minutes into the match and two Eastern Connecticut State University keepers combined on the shutout as the Warriors blanked Albertus Magnus College 3-0 Wednesday.

The victory snaps a two-game losing streak for Eastern (6-2), which outshot the Falcons 23-8. Albertus is 1-7-1.

Castro gave ECSU a 1-0 lead at 3:58 and junior midfielder **Aaron Boucher (PLYMOUTH)** made it 2-0 with his first goal of the season with two minutes left in the first half. Both goals hit the crossbar and bounced over the goal line. Freshman forward **Keith Toomey (AVON)** pushed the lead to 3-0 in the 47th minute with his second goal of the season.

Junior **Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM)** and sophomore **Jared Bretas (TOLLAND)** combined on the team's third shutout of the season. Magnano made all three of the team's saves.

Eastern returns to Little East Conference action Saturday, visiting Massachusetts Boston at 1 p.m.

Men's Soccer Wednesday's Result at New Haven, CT

Eastern Conn. (6-2)	2	1	--	3
Albertus Magnus (1-7-1)	0	0	--	0

Nathan Castro (unassisted) 3:58; Aaron Boucher (Ted Buck) 43:00; Keith Toomey (Nick Ghiglia) 46:31.

Shots: E-23, A-8; Saves: E-Scott Magnano 3, Jared Bretas 0; A-James Bernardo 10.

Saturday, Sept. 27, 1997

WCSU MEN'S SOCCER BLANKS ECSU 2-0 IN LITTLE EAST OPENER *Warriors beaten by Colonials for ninth straight time*

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Freshmen Kofi Remy and Paul Pires scored second-half goals to snap a scoreless first half and lead the Western Connecticut State University men's soccer team to a 2-0 victory over Eastern Connecticut State University Saturday in the Little East Conference opener for both schools.

The loss is the second straight for Eastern (5-2), ranked fourth in the NSCAA/Umbro Division III Metro Region rankings while Western improves to 5-2-1 with its fifth win in the last six outings. Western has beaten Eastern the last nine times the teams have met.

Pires scored his team-leading fourth goal of the season to snap a scoreless tie in the 70th minute. ECSU junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) came out and got his hands on the shot but was unable to stop the drive. Remy, who assisted on Pires' goal, scored his first goal following a free kick three minutes later to give the Colonials a two-goal lead.

Eastern outshot Western 15-11 but Magnano was forced to make five saves while Western's Eric Carr made four.

The Warriors travel to face Albertus Magnus College Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Western Conn. 2, Eastern Conn. 0

Western Conn. (5-2-1)	0	2	--	2
Eastern Conn. (5-2)	0	0	--	0

Paul Pires (Kofi Remy, J.P. Sousa) 69:05; Remy (Chris Masso, Wilber Scavacini) 72:03.

Shots: W-11, E-15; Saves: W-Eric Carr 4, E-Scott Magnano 5.

Wednesday, Sept. 24, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER LOSES FIRST AFTER FIVE OPENING WINS
Warriors outshoot Teikyo Post 22-9 but drop 1-0 decision to NAIA Eagles

WATERBURY, Conn. -- Freshman forward Abraham Bull scored with 12 minutes left in the first half and the Teikyo Post University men's soccer team survived a substantial shot differential to hand Eastern Connecticut State University its first loss 1-0 Wednesday.

The loss is the first for Eastern after five opening wins -- its best start since 1978 -- while Post improves to 5-2.

Ranked fourth in the most recent NSCAA/Umbro Division III Metro Region rankings, Eastern outshot the NAIA-affiliated Eagles 22-9 but could not break through against sophomore keeper Shawn Smith. Smith made seven saves, denying ECSU sophomore midfielder **Vincent Cioffi (WILLINGTON)** in the closing minute, coming out and knocking the hard shot from the right wing over the crossbar.

The Eagles, who handed ECSU junior keeper **Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM)** his first loss at Eastern, broke through in the 33rd minute when Bull collected a deflected shot in the right corner of the box and drilled it over Magnano's dive into the upper left-hand corner of the net.

Eastern opens its Little East Conference season Saturday, hosting Western Connecticut State University at 1 p.m.

**Men's Soccer
Wednesday's Result
at Waterbury, Conn.**

Teikyo Post U. 1, Eastern Conn. 0

Eastern Conn. (5-1)	0	0	--	0
Teikyo Post (5-2)	1	0	--	1

Abraham Bull (unassisted) 32:47.

Shots: E-22, TP-9; Saves: E-Scott Magnano 3, TP-Shawn Smith 7

Saturday, Sept. 20, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER BLANKS COAST GUARD, REMAINS UNBEATEN
Five straight wins to open a season most since 1978

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Freshman forward **Geoff Zimmitti (HEBRON)** scored once and assisted on the team's two other goals and junior keeper **Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM)** posted his second shutout in three games to lift the Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team to its fifth straight win, 3-0 over the U.S. Coast Guard Academy Saturday.

The win keeps ECSU unbeaten (5-0) in five matches this year -- the program's best start since it won its first seven matches en route to a 9-5 record in 1978. The loss is the first for Coast Guard (2-1-1).

Zimmitti set up first-year junior midfielder **Jason Dieterle's (MANCHESTER)** third goal of the season in the 29th minute and Zimmitti and Dieterle assisted on senior forward **Barry Gordon's (SPANISH TOWN, JAMAICA)** first goal of the season three minutes into the second half to make it 2-0. Zimmitti, who took over the team scoring lead with nine points, made it a three-goal cushion when he scored his second goal of the year on a pass from freshman forward **Keith Toomey (AVON)** in the final minute.

Magnano made seven saves to record his second shutout in three matches and lowered his goals-against average to 0.62.

Eastern visits Teikyo Post University Wednesday at 4 p.m.

**Men's Soccer
at Willimantic, Conn.**

Eastern Conn. 3, U.S. Coast Guard 0

Coast Guard (2-1-1)	0	0	--	0
Eastern Conn. (5-0)	1	2	--	3

Jason Dieterle (Geoff Zimmitti) 28:56; Barry Gordon (Dieterle, Zimmitti) 48:17;
Zimmitti (Keith Toomey) 89:26.
Shots: CG-14, E-18; Saves: CG-Bryan Blackmore 11; E-Scott Magnano 7.

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Wednesday, Sept. 17, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER WINS FOURTH STRAIGHT MATCH
Warriors outshoot Westfield State 31-14 in 3-2 victory

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Freshman stopperback Nathan Castro (EAST HARTFORD) scored a goal in his third straight match and the Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team unloaded 31 shots in a 3-2 victory over Westfield State College Wednesday.

The win is the fourth straight to start the season for Eastern, ranked ninth in the Umbro/NSCAA Division III Metro Region soccer poll. Westfield falls to 1-2.

Castro notched his team-leading third goal three minutes into the second half to snap a 1-1 tie and give the Warriors the lead for good. Castro followed up a shot by freshman forward Geoff Zimmitti (HEBRON), sweeping in the rebound off a ball which bounced off Westfield keeper Judson Graham. Zimmitti also assisted when sophomore midfielder Vincent Cioffi (WILLINGTON) gave the Warriors a 1-0 lead less than six minutes into the match -- his first goal of the season.

Junior midfielder Jason Dieterle (MANCHESTER) gave ECSU a two-goal cushion when he scored on a direct kick in the 62nd minute. The Owls cut the gap to one with 13 seconds left.

Eastern outshot Westfield 31-14.

Junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) made six saves for Eastern while Graham made 17. Magnano entered play with a string of 203:28 consecutive scoreless minutes but had that snapped when Peter Beaupre connected on a 25-yard blast at 25:52.

Eastern looks for its first 5-0 start since 1978 Saturday when it hosts U.S. Coast Guard Academy at 11 a.m.

at Willimantic, Conn.
Eastern Conn. 3, Westfield State College 2

Westfield State (1-2)	1	1	--	2
Eastern Conn. (4-0)	1	2	--	3

E-Vincent Cioffi (Geoff Zimmitti) 5:38; W-Peter Beaupre (unassisted) 25:52; E-Nathan Castro (Zimmitti) 47:51; E-Jason Dieterle (unassisted) 62:45; W-Karl Labadore (Beaupre) 89:47.

Shots: W-14, E-31; Saves: W-Graham Judson 17; E-Scott Magnano 6.

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ECSU MEN'S SOCCER WINS THIRD STRAIGHT

Warriors blank Mass. College of Liberal Arts 2-0

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Freshman stopper Nathan Castro (EAST HARTFORD) had a goal and assist for the second straight match as the Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team won its third straight, 2-0 Saturday over Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts (formerly North Adams State College).

Castro got ECSU (3-0) on the board in the 11th minute and junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) made it stand up with six saves -- one coming on a penalty kick in the first half -- as the Warriors defeated the Mohawks (1-4) for the second straight season after a string of five straight losses.

Junior forward Paul Bazzano (ROCKY HILL) added his first goal of the season -- on an assist from Castro -- inside the final minute to round out the scoring.

Magnano, a second-year transfer from Quinnipiac College, extended his scoreless streak to 203 minutes and 27 seconds in posting his first career complete-match shutout.

Eastern, ranked ninth in the Metro Region, outshot the Mohawks 29-13 -- 14-4 in the second half.

The Warriors look to match last year when they opened with four straight wins Wednesday when they host Wesfield State College at 4 p.m.

Eastern Conn. 2, Mass. College 0

Mass. College (1-4)	0	0	--	0
Eastern Conn. (3-0)	1	1	--	2

Nathan Castro (Josh Capral, Geoff Zimmitti) 11:04; Paul Bazzano (Castro) 89:02.
Shots: M-13, E-29; Saves: M-T.J. Geysen 4, E-Scott Magnano 6.

Thursday, Sept. 11, 1997

EASTERN CONN. MEN'S SOCCER WINS SECOND STRAIGHT
Warriors outshoot Worcester State 45-8 in 3-1 home-opening victory

WILLIMANTIC, Conn. -- Freshman stopperback Nathan Castro (EAST HARTFORD) had a goal and assist to spark the Eastern Connecticut State University men's soccer team to a 3-1 victory over Worcester State College Thursday.

The win in their home-opener is the second in as many matches this season for the Warriors, who scored twice in the first 30 minutes and finished with a 45-8 advantage in shots.

All of ECSU's goals came from first-year players and were their first collegiate goals: Castro, freshman forward Geoff Zimmitti (HEBRON) and junior midfielder Jason Dieterle (MANCHESTER). Zimmitti got ECSU on the board in the 13th minute, Castro making it 2-0 less than 15 minutes later and Dieterle opening the second-half scoring to make it 3-0.

Junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) worked the first 66 shutout minutes, making three saves. Magano has allowed just one goal in 164 minutes this season.

Eastern hosts North Adams State College Saturday at 1 p.m.

**Men's Soccer
at Willimantic, Conn.**

Eastern Conn. 3, Worcester State College 1'

Eastern Conn. (2-0)	2	1	--	3
Worcester State (1-3)	0	1	--	1

E-Geoff Zimmitti (Ted Buck) 13:04; E-Nathan Castro (Vincent Cioffi) 27:46; E-Jason Dieterle (Nick Ghiglia, Castro) 52:37; W-Matt Trotta (unassisted) 78:02.

Shots: W-8, E-45; Saves: W-Tony Bandmann 15, E-Scott Magnano 3, Jared Bretas

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Saturday, Sept. 6, 1997

ECSU MEN'S SOCCER UPENDS BRIDGEWATER STATE IN OT 2-1

BRIDGEWATER, Mass. -- Newcomers Keith Toomey (AVON) and Eric Ingram (DEEP RIVER) scored goals in their first matches at Eastern Connecticut State University - - Ingram snapping a tie eight minutes into sudden death overtime -- as the Warriors upended Bridgewater State College 2-1 Saturday in the season-opening soccer matches for both teams.

Ingram, a first-year transfer, chipped in a throw-in from junior captain Nick Ghiglia (BRISTOL) just eight minutes into overtime to give the Warriors a win over the Bears, an ECAC tournament participant a year ago.

Toomey, a freshman, had given ECSU a 1-0 lead late in the first half before Bryan Medeiros got the Bears even 14 minutes into the second half.

Junior keeper Scott Magnano (EAST HADDAM) made four saves in his first start while Brian Murphy stopped five for Bridgewater. Eastern outshot the Bears 20-11.

Eastern hosts Worcester State College Thursday at 4 p.m.

Men's Soccer at Bridgewater, MA

Eastern Conn. 2, Bridgewater State 1, ot

Eastern Conn. (1-0)	1	0	(1)	--	2
Bridgewater (0-1)	0	1	(0)	--	1

E-Keith Toomey (Jason Dieterle) 37:10; B-Bryan Medeiros (Fred King) 50:33; E-Eric Ingram (Nick Ghiglia) 98:02.

Shots: E-20, B-11; Saves: E-Scott Magnano 4, B-Brian Murphy 5.