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Back In Top 10, Falcon Women Get Busy Martinez Starts Fast, Scores 5; Home Stand Concludes Sat.

Three in five. After a fairly relaxed pace for the opening week, things get busy in a hurry for the 10th-ranked Seattle Pacific University women's soccer team. The Falcons (2-0-0) play their next three games, including their first road test, in a span of five days, beginning with a visit by Sonoma State (1-1-0) Thursday night (Aug. 30). Cal State Stanislaus (2-0) completes the four-game home stand Saturday afternoon (Sept. 1) before a Tuesday (Sept. 4) trip to Chico State (1-0-0). Another home stand commences Sept. 8 versus Notre Dame de Namur.

Starting with a bang. Instant success has been the norm for Coach **Chuck Sekyra** in his first five seasons. Each of his teams have won their opening games by a combined score of 11-1, so the 4-0 win over Hawaii Hilo went according to form. The Falcons controlled possession and were rarely threatened, evidenced by the 24-1 count in shots. It was more of the same in the first hour against Humboldt State, with the regulars going ahead 4-0 after 51 minutes. The 'Jacks' goal came against a unit largely comprised of young reserves.

Early Bird. The early word on **Sarah Martinez** (Sr., Bothell, Wa./Cedar Park Christian) was that she was poised for her best season to date, and when the subject is a past All-American that says plenty. As advertised, Martinez looked very sharp in the first two games, grabbing five goals. She notched her second career hat trick against Humboldt before leaving the game in the 60th minute, and had scored twice versus Hilo, including a the season's first goal after less than three minutes of play. With seven career game-winners, Martinez is one away from tying the record set by Shannon Lovejoy. She's also within seven goals of Lovejoy's standard of 42.

Offensive production. It took nearly five games for the Falcons to reach eight goals a year ago, so the offense seems well-oiled. There's the signature ball control, but also plenty of quick strikes on goal. Forty shots produced eight goals, plus 20 opponent saves. Besides Martinez, **Meredith Teague** (Jr., Redmond, Wa./Bellevue Christian) and **Janae Godoy** (Jr., Yakima, Wa./West Valley) hit the back of the net in the opener. **Kayla Stiegemeier** (So., Rathdrum, Id./Lakeland) scored first against Humboldt contest. Sekyra is eager to see his outside backs press forward and right back **Jessica Gerstmann** (Sr., Puyallup, Wa./Cascade Christian) collected two assists versus the Hawaiians. Teague, Stiegemeier and **Shannon Oakes** (Jr., Boise, Id./Boise) also contributed two assists.

The business end. Much of the time, the SPU back four operated from a vantage point near the halfway line, but when challenged they responded with solid tackles and beating opponents to loose balls. Starting keeper **Jesslyn Rahm** (So., Eugene, Or./South Eugene) was required to make only one pedestrian save in her 140 minutes. Centerbacks **Claire Grubbs** (Jr., Sterling, Va./Potomac Falls) and **Becca Woods** (Fr., Beaverton, Or.) largely kept the action in front of them, with Gerstmann and left back

2007 WOMEN'S SOCCER

SPU Quick Facts

2006 Record—2-0-0 (0-0-0 GNAC)
Coach— Chuck Sekyra, 5th year
Coach's Career Record — 75-9-8

Upcoming Games

Thr., Aug. 30, 7 p.m.

SPU v Sonoma State

Interbay Stadium, Seattle, Wa.

Sat., Sept. 1, 4:30 p.m.

SPU v Cal State Stanislaus

Interbay Stadium, Seattle, Wa.

Tue., Sept. 4, 7 p.m.

SPU at Chico State

University Soccer Stadium, Chico, Ca.

Last Week's Results

at SPU 4, Hawaii Hilo 0

at SPU 4, Humboldt State 1

Streaks & Such

Seattle Pacific is unbeaten (12-0-2) in its last 14 non-conference home games, dating to 2004

Stat de jour

Sarah Martinez scored her second career hat trick and eighth in SPU history vs. Humboldt

National Rankings

1. Metro State
2. Grand Valley State (Mi.)

also

5. UC San Diego
10. Seattle Pacific
12. Seattle University

GNAC Standings

	Conf.			Season		
	W	L	T	W	L	T
Seattle Pacific	0	0	0	2	0	0
Seattle Univ.	0	0	0	2	0	0
Western Wash.	0	0	0	1	0	0
Central Wash.	0	0	0	1	0	1
Mont. St. Billings	0	0	0	2	1	0
NW Nazarene	0	0	0	0	1	0
Western Oregon	0	0	0	0	2	0
Saint Martin's	0	0	0	0	2	0

Katie Taylor (Jr., Vancouver, Wa./Colum. River) doing most of their running toward the offensive end. A poised **Kara Hamby** (Sr., Spokane, Wa./Mead) won lots of balls in the middle and quickly re-started the attack.

Roster depth. Sekyra used all 21 available players in the first two games. Among the first to come off the bench were forwards **Amanda Johnson** (Fr., Duvall, Wa./Cedarcrest) and **Mallorie Gerstmann** (Fr., Puyallup, Wa./Cascade Christian); defender **Jeanne Webster** (Sr., Bothell, Wa.) and midfielders **Karen Hosler** (Fr., Portland, Or./Sunset) and **Alex Butler** (Jr., Spokane, Wa./Gonzaga-Prep/Wash. St.). **Maddie Dickinson** (Fr., Vancouver, Wa./Skyview) spelled Rahm for 40 minutes.

Opponents/series notes. Sonoma State is coming off a 4-0 home loss to Seattle University. The Seawolves downed Grand Canyon 2-0 to open season. Seattle Pacific leads the series 3-2, having won the last three...Cal State Stanislaus won its first two matches by identical 2-0 scores over Notre Dame de Namur and Western Oregon. The Warriors have not previously met SPU...Chico beat Notre Dame de Namur 4-1 to open the campaign, and plays twice more before facing the Falcons. SPU leads the series with the Wildcats 4-0-2, with Martinez scoring the only goals in the past two meetings.

Throw-ins. Martinez appeared ready to break the logjam for the single-game goals record against Humboldt before being lifted by Sekyra. It was the eighth hat trick in the program's existence and first since Martinez vs. Western Oregon in 2005. Her seven total points vs. Humboldt ranks second to the eight by Michelle Sanders in 2002...Saturday's game opens a doubleheader which has the SPU men facing San Francisco State at 7...The Falcons moved back into the national top 10 for the first time since Sept. 28, 2006. They had been 12th in the preseason poll... Seattle Pacific is unbeaten (12-0-2) in its last 14 non-conference home games, dating to 2004.

Tickets, please. please. Ticket prices for all SPU regular season home games are \$5 for general admission, with students and senior citizens \$3. Group and team rates are available by phoning (206) 281-2085 in advance.

2007 Women's Soccer Roster

No	Name	Pos	Hgt	Yr	Exp	Hometown (High School/Last College)
1	Jesslyn Rahm	G	5-7	So	1V	Eugene, Or. (South Eugene)
2	Christa Bitner	D	5-8	Fr	HS	Phoenix, Az. (Dobson)
3	Meredith Teague	M/D	5-4	Jr	2V	Redmond, Wa. (Bel. Christian)
4	Janae Godoy	M	5-4	So	1V	Yakima, Wa. (West Valley)
5	Becca Woods	D	5-7	Fr	HS	Beaverton, Or. (Beaverton)
6	Kara Hamby	M	5-6	Sr	3V	Spokane, Wa. (Mead)
7	Kayla Stiegemeier	F	5-4	So	1V	Rathdrum, Id. (Lakeland)
8	Karen Hosler	M	5-6	Fr	HS	Portland, Or. (Sunset)
9	Mallorie Gerstmann	M-F	5-4	Fr	HS	Puyallup, Wa. (Cascade Christian)
11	Katie Taylor	D	5-6	Jr	2V	Vancouver, Wa. (Colum. River)
12	Jessica Gerstmann	D/M	5-5	Sr	2V	Puyallup, Wa. (Cascade Christian/Wash. St.)
13	Claire Grubbs	D	5-9	Jr	2V	Sterling, Va. (Potomac Falls)
14	Sarah Martinez	F	5-6	Sr	3V	Bothell, Wa. (Cedar Park Christian)
15	Ashley Hofferber	D	5-10	Fr	HS	Richland, Wa. (Richland)
16	Shannon Oakes	M	5-5	Jr	2V	Boise, Id. (Boise)
18	Jeanne Webster	D	5-10	Sr	3V	Bothell, Wa. (Bothell)
19	Maddie Dickinson	G	5-8	Fr	HS	Vancouver, Wa. (Skyview)
20	Ali Winje	M	5-5	Fr	HS	Manhattan Beach, Ca. (Mira Costa)
21	Alex Aguirre	M	5-4	So	1V	Phoenix, Az. (Moon Valley)
22	Amanda Johnson	F	5-7	Fr	HS	Duvall, Wa. (Cedarcrest)
24	Alex Butler	D	5-9	Jr	TR	Spokane, Wa. (Gonzaga Prep/WSU)
26	Tricia Loomis	F	5-11	Sr	3V	Des Moines, Wa. (Mount Rainier)
	Jocelyn Charette	F	5-10	So	TR	Lakewood, Wa. (Curtis/Tampa)

Head Coach: Chuck Sekyra

Assistant Coaches: Arby Busey, Kevin Blokker, Chalise Baysa

2007 Season Schedule

Date	Opponent	Time/Res.
Aug. 23	Hawaii Hilo	W, 4-0
Aug. 27	Humboldt State	W, 4-1
Aug. 30	Sonoma State	7:00
Sept. 1	Cal State Stanislaus	4:30
Sept. 4	at Chico State	7:00
Sept. 8	Notre Dame de Namur	1:00
Sept. 12	Central Washington*	7:00
Sept. 15	Western Washington*	3:00
Sept. 19	at Saint Martin's*	4:00
Sept. 22	at Western Oregon*	1:00
Sept. 27	Montana State Billings*	7:00
Sept. 29	at Seattle University*	1:00
Oct. 5	Northwest Nazarene*	7:00
Oct. 10	Western Oregon*	7:00
Oct. 13	Saint Martin's*	7:00
Oct. 17	at Western Washington*	7:00
Oct. 20	at Central Washington*	1:00
Oct. 24	Seattle University*	7:00
Oct. 27	at Montana State Billings*	12:00
Nov. 3	at Northwest Nazarene*	11:00
Nov. 8	NCAA First Round Games	
Nov. 10	NCAA Regional Semifinals	
Nov. 15	NCAA Regional Finals	
Nov. 17	NCAA Quarterfinals	
Nov. 29	NCAA Semifinals (Orange Beach, AL)	
Dec. 1	NCAA Championship (Orange Beach)	

*Great Northwest Athletic Conference games
All times are Pacific

2007 Statistical Leaders

Goals

Sarah Martinez	5
Kayla Stiegemeier	1
Janae Godoy	1
Meredith Teague	1

Assists

Kayla Stiegemeier	2
Meredith Teague	2
Jessica Gerstmann	2
Shannon Oakes	2

Points

Sarah Martinez	11
Kayla Stiegemeier	4
Meredith Teague	4

Goals Against Average

Jesslyn Rahm	0.00
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Team	Gls	Shots	1st	2nd	OT
SPU	8	40	5	3	-
Opp.	1	8	0	1	-

The Automated ScoreBook For Soccer
 Seattle Pacific Combined Team Statistics (as of Aug 27, 2007)
 All games

RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES.....	(2- 0- 0)	(2- 0- 0)	(0- 0- 0)	(0- 0- 0)
CONFERENCE.....	(0- 0- 0)	(0- 0- 0)	(0- 0- 0)	(0- 0- 0)
NON-CONFERENCE.....	(2- 0- 0)	(2- 0- 0)	(0- 0- 0)	(0- 0- 0)

DATE	OPPONENT	W/L	SCORE	ATT	##	PLAYER	GP	G	A	Pts	Sh	Shot%	SOG	SOG%	GW	PK-AT
08/23/07	HAWAII HILO	W	4-0	115	14	Martinez, Sarah	2	5	1	11	8	.625	6	.750	2	0-0
08/2707	HUMBOLDT STATE	W	4-1	55	7	Stiegemeier, Kayla	2	1	2	4	6	.167	3	.500	0	0-0
					3	Teague, Meredith	2	1	2	4	6	.167	5	.833	0	0-0
TEAM STATISTICS	SPU	OPP			4	Godoy, Janae	2	1	0	2	5	.200	3	.600	0	0-0
					16	Oakes, Shannon	2	0	2	2	3	.000	2	.667	0	0-0
SHOT STATISTICS.....					12	Gerstmann, Jessica	2	0	2	2	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Goals-Shot attempts....	8-40	1-8			13	Grubbs, Claire	2	0	1	1	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Goals scored average....	4.00	0.50			22	Johnson, Amanda	2	0	0	2	5	.200	6	.857	0	0-0
Shot pct.....	.200	.125			11	Taylor, Katie	2	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
Shots on goal-Attempts.	28-40	4-8			9	Gerstmann, Mallorie	2	0	0	0	1	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
SOG pct.....	.700	.500			8	Hosler, Karen	1	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
Shots/Game.....	20.0	4.0			6	Hamby, Kara	2	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0-0
Assists.....	10	2			24	Butler, Alex	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
CORNER KICKS.....	10	3			21	Aguirre, Alex	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
PENALTY KICKS.....	0-0	0-0			20	Winje, Ali	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
PENALTIES.....					19	Dickinson, Maddie	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Yellow cards.....	0	0			18	Webster, Jeanne	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Red cards.....	0	0			15	Hofferber, Ashley	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
ATTENDANCE.....					5	Woods, Becca	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Total.....	170	0			2	Bitner, Christa	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Dates/Avg Per Date....	2/85	0/0			1	Rahm, Jesslyn	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0-0
Neutral Site #/Avg....	0/0					Total.....	2	8	10	26	40	.200	28	.700	2	0-0
						Opponents.....	2	1	2	4	8	.125	4	.500	0	0-0

##	GOALTENDERS	-GOAL AVERAGE-				-SAVES-					
		GP	Minutes	GA	Avg	Sv	Pct	W	L	T	Sho
1	Rahm, Jesslyn	2	140:10	0	0.00	1	1.000	2	0	0	0
19	Dickinson, Maddie	2	39:50	1	2.26	2	.667	0	0	0	0
	Total.....	2	180:00	1	0.50	3	.750	2	0	0	1
	Opponents.....	2	180:00	8	4.00	20	.714	0	2	0	0

GOALS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	Total
Seattle Pacific.....	5	3	8
Opponents.....	0	1	1

SHOTS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	Total
Seattle Pacific.....	25	15	40
Opponents.....	2	6	8

SAVES BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	Total
Seattle Pacific.....	0	3	3
Opponents.....	14	6	20

CORNER KICKS BY PRD	1st	2nd	Total
Seattle Pacific.....	5	5	10
Opponents.....	0	3	3

FOULS BY PERIOD	1st	2nd	Total
Seattle Pacific.....	7	22	29
Opponents.....	12	11	23