

City dazzles while Palace struggles in Premier League

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This weekend in the Barclay's Premier League was highlighted by the battle of the top four teams between Arsenal and Liverpool. Arsenal was able to disrupt the fluid attack of Liverpool and got goals from Santi Cazorla and Aaron Ramsey in their 2-0 win to push them further up in points with 25 while Liverpool sits behind in third with 20 points.

Crystal Palace was once again beaten

to keep them at the bottom of the table in a 2-0 loss to West Bromwich Albion. This leaves Crystal Palace with just 3 points while West Brom pushes up to the top half of the table with 13 points.

One of the strangest goals that will ever be scored was scored by Stoke City's goalkeeper, Asmir Begovic, in the first 13 seconds of the game as he scored a 100 yard goal that skipped over the Southampton keeper's head. This ties Begovic for top scorer on Stoke city while Jay Rodriguez brought the Saints even

to avoid losing all three points.

Southampton remains a mere point out of the top four with 19 points while Stoke have escaped the bottom three with the point and have 9 points. Manchester City put an absolute battering on Norwich City in a 7-0 win. City got goals from five players with the other two goals coming off Norwich City own goals. City has 19 points now while Norwich is now in the bottom three with 8 points.

Manchester United finally looked like league champions as they absolutely dominated

Fulham to a 3-1 win with goals from Antonio Valencia, Robin Van Persie, and Wayne Rooney in the first 22 minutes.

United moved up the table with 17 points while Fulham continues its dreadful start with just 10 points. Chelsea struggled in a 2-0 loss to Newcastle United after its busy week with Champions League and League Cup matches as well. Newcastle got their goals from Yoan Gouffran and in form Loic Remy to give them 14 points while Chelsea remains in second with 20 points.

Volleyball seniors leave season at top of their game

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The Scarlet Hawks Women Volleyball team honored their five seniors, Lauren Capuano, Brittany Mead, Rebecca Wilson, Kate Kendall, and Roma Mirutenko on senior night in their final game of the season against Roosevelt University. The seniors had a huge impact on the program and left their final mark in a dominating win in three sets.

Roosevelt was absolutely overwhelmed in the first set by the Hawks energy coming out from the first set fueled by the large Scarlet Hawk crowd. Seniors Roma Mirutenko and Kate Kendall led the attack all night starting in the first set. Each had 10 kills on the night which helped to increase Kendall's kill record she set while a member of the team. The first set ended 25-15 in favor of the Hawks and the second set went much the same.

Rebecca Wilson led the charge for the Hawks in the second set as part of her 5

kill night.

Much the success was due in part to the perfectly weighted sets by sophomore setter Adrian Walther. Walther recorded 29 of the Hawks total 35 assists in the game. The defensive effort of Brittany Meade also was a big factor as she collected 13 digs to go along with 5 assists on the night. This set ended 25-19 on screaming ace by junior hitter Taylor Duman who also had 9 kills on the night.

In the third and decisive set the Hawks got contributions from freshman Cassie

Hansen who had all three of her aces in the third set to swing the momentum back to the Hawks' side in a tightly fought final set.

In the end the energy and powerful play of the Hawks proved to be too much for Roosevelt as Roma Mirutenko closed out her career with the game winning kill to give the Hawks the 25-23 set win and the game win as well. The Hawks ended the season with a 12-19 record and will look to continue improvement on the great work done by the seniors in their four years.

Hawks take down defending conference champions

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The Hawks looked to get back in the win column Tuesday night, hosting the Cardinal Stritch Wolves in a conference showdown.

The Wolves were currently on a 9-game unbeaten streak and were receiving national votes for the NAIA division. IIT looked to break their 5-game losing streak and officially end their 10-year run in the CCAC and NAIA Division. The Hawks are moving to the Northern Athletic Collegiate Conference and NCAA Division III in the upcoming years.

Illinois Tech started the first half

strong with great sequences of possession within the first 15 minutes of the game. The Hawks looked poised to score early as forward Sam Smith had the Hawks first best chance. The shot came from a touch by Smith just around Cardinal Stritch's defender.

The Wolves outstretched keeper saved Smith's shot. Shortly after, senior forward Robert Rixer gave the Scarlet Hawks a 1-0 lead. The goal came off a missed header by a Cardinal Stritch defender. Rixer volleyed the ball into the back of the net just 15 minutes into the game. The Hawks took a 1-0 lead into halftime.

Illinois Tech looked to keep their first half momentum going, in what looked to be a

hard fought second half. The Wolves opened up the second half with numerous offensive sequences, which kept the Hawks on their defensive heels.

However, just 10 minutes into the second half, the Wolves found the back of the net from their midfielder Taylor Bacher. Throughout the second half the Hawks and Wolves exchanged shots, but neither could break the 1-1 tie. Both teams were now primed for an overtime battle.

Illinois Tech was verged to score in overtime by providing relentless pressure in the beginning minutes of overtime. Three minutes in, junior middle midfielder Brahandon

Ramirez settled a ball just above the 18-yard box.

He then dribbled inside the 18-yard box and shot a rocket kick that sailed past the goalie's reach. It turned out to be the game winner and the Scarlet Hawks prevailed in their last CCAC conference game ever.

Illinois Tech finished off their season with a 6-9-3 record, and 4-7-1 record in conference play.

The Hawks look to win their last game of the season as they face Nebraska Wesleyan University as Illinois Tech hosts their Provisional Independent Tournament Championship.

Women's soccer wins one on the road

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The Illinois Tech Women's soccer team emerged victorious Saturday in Indiana after a 2-0 decision against Calumet College of St. Joseph. The lady Hawks improved to 5-12-1 on the season after the shutout win.

The first half started off slow for Illinois Tech, allowing the home side eight shots in the period. However, Roxanne Myers

was able to keep the Hawks in the game with several outstanding saves. Even without a single shot and a rather lackluster performance in the first stanza, the Hawks managed to keep the match scoreless.

After the break, Illinois Tech came out flying in the second half. Dominating possession, the Hawks were able to take control of the game. By the 65th minute, their constant attack and pressure was finally rewarded with a goal. Freshman Anida Phetchanpheng

forced a Calumet defender to turn it over and the Hawks made no mistake in punishing them. After winning the ball, Phetchanpheng played the ball to fellow freshman Melanie Standish across the field who then played it back. Phetchanpheng set up Meredith Tedtsen who placed a perfect left foot shot into the side netting for her first college goal.

Fifteen minutes later, the Scarlet Hawks solidified their win by finding the back of the net once more. Standish applied pressure

to the Calumet goalkeeper, and Ade Maron was able to pick up the ricochet. She then took the ball across the endline and sent a cut back pass across the box to an oncoming Veronica Torres who then clinically slotted the ball away.

The match ended with a dramatic finish as Calumet was awarded a penalty in the last three minutes. Myers made another brilliant save to preserve the shutout. The Hawks look to finish the season strong as they host an independent provisional tournament.



Friday, November 15th

Men's Basketball
vs. Purdue University, Calumet
7pm, @Calumet

Women's Basketball
vs. Coe College
5pm, @IIT, Keating

Saturday, November 16th

Men's Basketball
vs. Benedictine University-Springfield
3pm, @ IIT, Stuart Field

Men & Women's Swimming & Diving
3pm, @ Grinnell College

Women's Basketball
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