



# 2004 GW NCAA Championship Notes



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## 2004 Schedule/Results (10-8-4, 6-3-2 A-10)

### DAY DATE OPPONENT RESULT/TIME

#### SEPTEMBER

Sat	4	vs. Georgetown#	L, 0-1
Mon	6	vs. Howard#	W, 5-0
Sat	11	at Radford	T, 1-1 (2OT)
Wed	15	at American	L, 1-3
Sat	18	at Towson	L, 1-3
Wed	22	at UMBC	L, 0-3
SAT	25	GEORGEMASON	L, 0-2

#### OCTOBER

Fri	1	at La Salle*	L, 1-2
Sun	3	at Fordham*	T, 1-1 (2OT)
FRI	8	RHODEISLAND*	T, 1-1 (2OT)
SUN	10	MASSACHUSETTS*	L, 1-2 (2OT)
Fri	15	at Duquesne*	L, 1-3
Sun	17	at St. Bonaventure*	W, 3-1
FRI	22	XAVIER*	W, 4-2
SUN	24	DAYTON*	W, 3-1
FRI	29	TEMPLE*	W, 1-0
SUN	31	SAINT JOSEPH'S*	W, 2-0

#### NOVEMBER

Sat	6	at Richmond*	W, 4-0
Thu	11	vs. Rhode Island^	W, 1-0
Fri	12	vs. Duquesne^	T, 1-1 (2OT)
Sun	14	vs. Temple^	W, 2-0
Fri	19	at North Carolina#	W, 1-0
Tue	23	at No. 22 VCU\$	7:00 pm

# DC College Cup (at American University)

\* Atlantic 10 Conference match

^ Atlantic 10 Championship (Washington, DC)

# NCAA Championship (Chapel Hill, NC)

\$ NCAA Championship (Richmond, VA)

## GW vs. 2004 NCAA Field

The Colonials squared off against just one team in the 48-team NCAA Men's Soccer Championship field during the regular season. On Sept. 15, GW played at Patriot League champion American. The Eagles scored twice in the second half to defeat the Colonials, 3-1. Senior co-captain **Trent Wilee** netted GW's only goal on a header at 30:39. The tally was the second of his career.

## George Washington (10-8-4)

vs.

## #16 Virginia Commonwealth (11-5-2)

NCAA Second Round • VCU's Sports Backer's Stadium • Richmond, VA • 7:00 p.m.

## Colonials Advance to NCAA Championship's Second Round for the Second Time in School History

The George Washington men's soccer team advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament for second time in program history with a 1-0 shutout at North Carolina on Nov. 19. It was the second-ever NCAA Tournament victory for GW which picked up its first tournament win against George Mason in 1989. The Colonials are making their sixth appearance in the NCAA Men's Soccer Championship overall and their second appearance in the last three years. The Colonials are 2-5-0 in NCAA Tournament pairings.

## About the Rams

The Colonials will take on Virginia Commonwealth in the second round of this year's championship. The Rams are ranked 22nd in the nation in the latest NSCAA Top 25 poll. VCU earned the tournament's 16th seed and received a bye into the second round after being an at-large selection to this year's championship. The Rams are 11-5-2 overall this season. Dominic Oduro leads the squad with 13 goals and 27 points, while Brian Morris ranks second on the team with six goals and 16 total points. Saul Montero has started 18 games in goal and owns a 0.87 goals-against average with five shutouts.

## Hawaii One - Five - Oh!

GW Head Coach **George Lidster** nabbed his 150th coaching victory in the Colonials' first-round victory against the Tar Heels. Lidster is in his 17th season at the helm of the GW program and owns a 150-135-38 overall record. He is by far the winningest coach in GW soccer history surpassing Hall of Famer Georges Edeline, who coached the Colonials from 1973-81 and compiled 70 triumphs.

## GW-VCU Series

The Colonials and Rams have met only once previously with VCU posting a 2-1 triumph over GW at the Georgetown Tournament in 1997.



## GW Point Leaders

Name	G	A	P
Frank Ambrosio	7	4	18
Jon Allen	6	5	17
Andre Chapman	6	4	16
Ben Mortimer	5	0	10
Joseph Siegel	4	1	9

## VCU Point Leaders

Name	G	A	P
Dominic Oduro	13	1	27
Brian Morris	6	4	16
Ricardo Opoku	2	5	9
Mike Aust	3	1	7
Samuel Asante	0	7	7



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## GW NCAA Tournament Results

Appearances: 6

Overall Record: 2-5-0

Championships: 0

First Appearance: 1974

1974 (0-1-0): Howard 2, GW 0

1977 (0-1-0): at Clemson (Clemson, SC)  
Clemson 4, GW 0

1978 (0-1-0): Appalachian State 9, GW 3

1989 (1-1-0): at George Mason (Fairfax, VA)  
11/11 — GW3, George Mason 1  
at Indiana (Bloomington, IN)  
11/18 — Indiana 4, GW 0

2002 (0-1-0): at American (Washington, DC)  
11/23 — American 1, GW 0

2004 (1-0-0): at North Carolina (Chapel Hill, NC)  
11/19 — GW 1, North Carolina 0



## GW All-Time vs. CAA

Delaware	0-0-0
Drexel	0-1-0
George Mason	9-20-2
Hofstra	0-0-0
James Madison	2-1-0
Old Dominion	1-4-0
Towson	8-5-0
UNC-Wilmington	0-0-0
Virginia Commonwealth	0-1-0
William & Mary	8-7-4
<b>Total</b>	<b>28-39-6</b>

## Biss Named to *College Soccer News* National Team of the Week

Junior goalkeeper **Derek Biss** was named to the *College Soccer News* National Team of the week on Monday, Nov. 15. The Pittsfield, MA product was an integral part in the Colonials' run to the conference title. Biss tied an Atlantic 10 Championship record with two shutouts and made 14 saves in three matches. He also made two saves in in the penalty-kick shootout following a 1-1 tie versus Duquesne in the semifinals to help the Colonials advance to the championship game. Biss was one penalty-kick chance away from a record-breaking third shutout, but Duquesne's Derek MacKenzie converted the kick just before halftime. For his efforts, Biss was selected as the tournament's Most Outstanding Player.

## Colonials Place Three on All-Championship Team

Three GW student-athletes earned spots on the A-10 All-Championship Team following the Colonials' victory over Temple in the title match. Junior goalkeeper **Derek Biss** earned a spot on the squad and was also named the championship's Most Outstanding Player. Biss' classmates **Steve Brown** and **Ben Mortimer** were also picked the team. Brown scored the Colonials' opening goal against Temple in the tournament final and played solid soccer as a member of GW's midfield. Mortimer tallied GW's only goal in its semifinal contest versus Duquesne on a penalty kick. The Leighton Buzzard, England native also converted on GW's final penalty kick in its shootout against the Dukes to send the Colonials to the championship match.

## Mortimer and Davis Earn A-10 Accolades

Junior **Ben Mortimer** and freshman **Matt Davis** were each honored at the Atlantic 10 Championship banquet on Nov. 10. Mortimer was picked to the Atlantic 10 All-Conference First Team, while Davis was named to the league's All-Rookie Team. Mortimer has started all 22 games this season and has five goals for a total of 10 points. He has anchored a GW defense that owns a 1.17 goals-against average and has allowed just one goal in the last seven matches. Davis is also a member of the GW's stellar defensive unit and, like Mortimer, has started every match. Davis has contributed two assists on the year.

## GW In The Atlantic 10 Team Stats

through matches of Nov. 18

Category	All/A-10 Only
Shots	3rd/4th
Points	3rd/t2nd
Goals	3rd/3rd
Goals Per Game	5th/3rd
Assists	3rd/2nd
Assists Per Game	4th/2nd
Goals Allowed	4th/3rd
Goals-Against Average	3rd/3rd
Saves	10th/12th
Shutouts	t3rd/t4th
Fouls	1st/2nd
Corners	3rd/3rd
Offsides	1st/1st
Yellow Cards	t5th/4th

## GW In The Atlantic 10 Individual Stats

through matches of Nov. 18

Individual	Category	All/A-10 Only
Chapman	Shots	4th/NR
	Shots Per Game	5th/10th
	Assists	NR/t8th
	Goals	t10th/NR
Allen	Points	t10th/t6th
	Points Per Game	10th/t6th
	Goals	t10th/t9th
	Goals Per Game	t9th/NR
Ambrosio	Assists	t10th/t6th
	Assists Per Game	t9th/t6th
	Points	NR/t6th
	Points Per Game	NR/t6th
Biss	Goals	t10th/t5th
	Goals Per Game	NR/t5th
	Game Winners	t4th/t5th
	Saves	t8th/NR
Biss	Saves Per Game	10th/NR
	Shutouts	4th/4th
	Shutouts Per Game	7th/5th
	Goals Against Average	3rd/3rd



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## GW Record Watch

### Career Assists

	<u>Name</u>	<u>▲</u>
1.	Ben Ferry (1994-98)	45
2.	Marcelo Valencia (1991-94)	40
3.	Michael Goldman (1998-2002)	24
4.	Matthew Osborne (1999-2002)	20
5.	Chris Majewski (1989-92)	19
6.	Matt Ferry (1993-97)	18
7.	Mario Lone (1988-91)	17
	Paul Boulad (1985-88)	17
9.	<b>Steve Brown (2002- )</b>	<b>16</b>
	Paul Calvo (1975-78)	16
11.	Kenny Emson (1985-88)	15
12.	Steve Masten (1992-95)	14
	Yared Aklilu (1980-83)	14
	Meiji Stewart (1978-81)	14
	Moises Reyes (1991-94)	14
	Jeff Greenspan (1997-2000)	14
17.	Gary Walker (1988-90)	13
	John Menditto (1982-85)	13
	Arnar Johannsson (2001-03)	13
	Justin Evans (2000-03)	13
21.	<b>Frank Ambrosio (2002-)</b>	<b>12</b>
	Miguel Reyes (1991-93)	12
	Richard Cliff (1984-86)	12
	Derya Yavalar (1972-75)	12
	Riccardo Forno (1999-2002)	12

## GW's Record When ...

Scoring No Goals . . . . . 0-3-0  
 Scoring One Goal . . . . . 3-5-4  
 Scoring Two Goals . . . . . 2-0-0  
 Scoring Three or More Goals . . 5-0-0

Match Ends in Regulation . . . . 10-7-0  
 Match Goes into One OT . . . . 0-0-0  
 Match Goes into Two OTs . . . . 0-1-4

Allowing No Goals . . . . . 7-0-0  
 Allowing One Goal . . . . . 2-1-4  
 Allowing Two Goals . . . . . 1-3-0  
 Allowing Three or More Goals . . . 0-4-0

Leading at the Half . . . . . 6-1-1  
 Trailing at the Half . . . . . 1-4-2  
 Tied at the Half . . . . . 3-3-1

Outshooting its Opponent . . . . 7-3-2  
 It's Outshot . . . . . 1-5-2  
 Shots are Even . . . . . 2-0-0

## Record Run

The Colonials have not lost in 10 matches (9-0-1), tying the team record set in 1977 (10-0-0) and equaled again in 1990 (8-0-2). During the remarkable run, the Colonials have outscored their opponents, 22-5. Junior **Frank Ambrosio** has been the engine that has driven the GW offense during the unbeaten streak with 16 of his 18 points coming in GW's last 10 outings, including the golden goal against North Carolina in the first round of the championship. Junior goalie **Derek Biss** has been between the posts for GW for every minute of the unbeaten streak and owns a 0.49 goals-against average during the stretch with 36 saves.

## Putting Up Zeroes

GW closed the 2004 regular season with consecutive shutouts against Temple, Saint Joseph's and Richmond. The Colonials also blanked Rhode Island in the A-10 Championship's opening round and Temple in the tournament final along with North Carolina in first round of the NCAA Tournament. The Colonials have a total of seven shutouts this season, also holding Howard without a tally on Sept. 6. The shutout total is one short of the school record of eight established in 1977 and equaled in 1990 and 1991. Biss has doubled his shutout total season. He has six blankings this season after recording three in 2003.

## Lending a Helping Hand

Two current Colonials are climbing their way up the GW all-time assists ledger. Junior **Steve Brown** and classmate **Frank Ambrosio** each rank among the GW greats in career assists. Brown has 16 career helpers and is tied for ninth with former GW standout Paul Calvo, who tallied 16 assists from 1975-78. Brown has dished out four assists this season, which is tied for second on the squad. His next assist will tie him with former GW stars Mario Lone (1988-91) and Paul Boulad (1985-88) on GW's career list.

Ambrosio has leapt onto the Colonials' career assist chart with four helpers in 2004. He now has 12 for his career, which is tied for the 21st-highest total in GW history. His next assist will tie him with four players, including former teammate Arnar Johannsson for 17th all-time at GW.

## Allen Has Breakout Year

Junior **Jon Allen** has been an offensive spark plug for the Colonials this season. He is second on the team in points (17) and leads the team with five assists. He is also tied for second on the team in goals (6). Allen easily has surpassed his career totals in every category coming into 2004. The Dobbs Ferry, NY native helped get the Colonials' 10-game unbeaten streak going with a pair of goals in GW's, 3-1, victory at St. Bonaventure on Oct. 17, but has not appeared in a match since injuring his leg in the regular-season finale at Richmond.

## Who You Callin' Rookie?

Several GW freshman have stepped in and contributed right away for GW in 2004. Atlantic 10 All-Rookie selection **Matt Davis** has started all 22 matches for the Colonials this season and has been a fixture on the squad's defensive unit, while helping GW to seven shutouts. Davis has also contributed two assists. On the offensive end of the field, freshman **Wade Gerhardt** and **Greg McKay** have made their presence felt. Gerhardt has started seven matches and tallied six total points, including his first career goal versus Richmond on Nov. 6. McKay has started eight matches this season. He has four points, including his first career goal at La Salle on Oct. 1.