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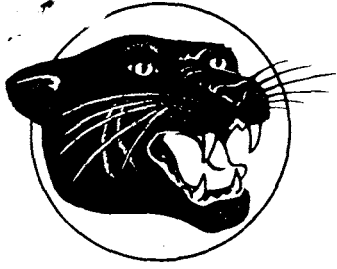
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Panther Sports News

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CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University's soccer Panthers are rated No. 4 in the nation, and Coach Schellas Hyndman says that's no fluke.

EIU is making a serious bid for a third straight appearance in the NCAA tournament with an 8-0 start. The Panthers are idle until next Friday and Saturday (Oct. 7-8) when they compete in the Governor's Cup with SIU-Edwardsville, Northern Illinois and Western Illinois in Macomb.

"Things are going so well," says Hyndman, "and it's because this year we have the depth to compete with everyone on our schedule."

Although the Panthers have had a few days off, Hyndman plans no let up. "We're going to train hard throughout this break. We think it's best for us not to have any time off."

The Panthers trail Duke (7-0-2), Clemson (5-0-1) and Indiana (6-1) in the rankings. They are closing in on the Hoosiers trailing them by only three points in the Intercollegiate Soccer Association of America poll.

Neil Swindells, who broke into the starting lineup when Guy Callipari was injured, has led the attack with 11 goals and five assists.

Freshman midfielder Mark Francis, who took advantage of another departure, that of Tom Isirov, who was gone for two weeks training in the Olympic Trials, has come up with four goals and three assists.

"Everyone has been pressuring (Damien) Kelly and (Agyeman) Prempeh which has allowed Swindells room to maneuver and taken some pressure off giving us some breathing room up front," says Hyndman. "Plus he's an excellent player and has taken advantage of the opportunity."

Swindells and Francis are both from England, Swindells from Manchester and Francis from London. Although Isirov has returned, Francis will stay in the lineup.

"I saw him in England, and he came over as a walk-on but is definitely one of the most improved since the start of the season."

Hyndman also praised the play of defender Albert Adade. "He's so steady for us back there. Eric Hartman (goalie) is getting some good saves but Adade is clearing just about everything before it gets to Hartman."

During these first eight games the Panthers have outscored opponents 30-3 with Swindells scoring in six of the contests.

SEASON SUMMARY

ISAA POLL

1. Duke (7-0-2)
2. Clemson (5-0-1)
3. Indiana (6-1-1)
4. Eastern Illinois (8-0)
5. Columbia (4-0)
6. UCLA (5-0-3)
7. St. Louis University (8-0)
8. Fairleigh-Dickinson (6-1)
9. Hartwick (5-0)
10. San Francisco (5-2)

REMAINING SCHEDULE

Fri.-Sat., Oct. 7-8	at Governor's Cup
Sat., Oct. 15	at North Texas State
Sun., Oct. 16	at Southern Methodist
Wed., Oct. 19 (2:00)	ISU-EVANSVILLE
Sat., Oct. 22	at St. Louis University
Wed., Oct. 26 (1:00)	ILLINOIS-CHICAGO
Sun., Oct. 30	at Illinois State
Sat., Nov. 5 (11:00)	NORTHEAST LOUISIANA

RESULTS

EIU	4	Wisconsin-Green Bay	1
EIU	4	Houston Baptist	0
EIU	5	Cleveland State	1
EIU	3	Illinois State	0
EIU	2	Wisconsin	0
EIU	4	MacMurray	1
EIU	2	Quincy College	0
EIU	6	Southeast Missouri	0

SCORING

Swindells 3, Mellor 1, Esposito 1
 Swindells 2, DeRousse 1, Gamache 1
 Lansing 2, Swindells 1, Paul Kelly 1
 Callipari 1
 Damien Kelly 1
 Swindells 2
 Swindells 2, Gamache 1, Mellor 1
 Francis 2
 Francis 2, Swindells 2, Gamache 1
 Esposito 1

INDIVIDUAL SCORING

Neil Swindells	11
Mark Francis	4
Damien Kelly	3
Matt Gamache	3
Aldo Esposito	2
Greg Mellor	2
Rick Lansing	2
Randy DeRousse	1
Paul Kelly	1
Guy Callipari	1

ASSISTS

Neil Swindells	5
Agyeman Prempeh	5
Damien Kelly	3
Mark Francis	3
Aldo Esposito	3
Rick Lansing	2
Robbie Mann	2
Kevin Kyle	2
Albert Adade	2
Randy DeRousse	1
Greg Oidtman	1
Greg Mellor	1