

Men's soccer stuck in its hole

By Eamon Ducey

The Rider men's soccer team has dug its typical hole and is having trouble climbing out.

Last year it had a poor start, but was able to pull it together for its conference schedule. This season it has not shown that ability to win its Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference (MAAC) games.

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said.

Rider could not come up with the magic when it played a grueling 110-minute game. It finished tied 1-1 in overtime with Fairfield on Friday, Oct. 14.

After the first 60 minutes of play the teams were deadlocked at zero. Junior defender Jacob Kratt was able to end the offensive stagnation when he scored his first goal of the season.

"Jacob has been very sur-

prising," said Fager. "He is a ball winner, he adds a lot of intangibles."

Fairfield's T.J. Helly was able to tie the game up with seven minutes remaining.

"We did not protect our lead," said Fager.

Daniel Rivero made eight saves and allowed one goal. If Rivero could have preserved the shutout it would have been his third of the season.

Rider went searching for a field due to the weather condi-

tions. It had to move the game to Mercer County Community College.

The team also went searching for a win Sunday, Oct. 16, at Marist and came home empty-handed. In fact Rider could not even score a goal in the 90-minute game.

"They moved the game indoors, it was the first time the team played in a bubble," said Fager.

Marist was able to score two goals. Chris Nacca scored the team's first goal of the game, just before the 34-minute mark. Anthony Graci added another goal on the season.

Rivero made five saves and allowed both goals.

The team knows what it has to do to win its games when it hosts Fairfield today and Iona on Sunday, Oct. 23.

"We will need to show up to our games with our proper intensity," Fager said.



Eamon Ducey Athletes lend hand

Hurricane Katrina has caused so much damage to our country but has once again brought us together as a nation. James Brown, host of *Fox NFL Sunday*, came last week to host a Rider fundraiser to benefit those affected by the tragedy. This is not the first time somebody in the sports world volunteered to help a cause.

In fact, athletes were some of the first to help. The NFL's New Orleans Saints were away the weekend the hurricane hit, but as soon as they were allowed back to the area, they made a beeline to the Superdome, the main shelter during the hurricane. These players sat and talked with people who had just watched Mother Nature obliterate everything they owned.

The Saints were not the only ones to help. Eli and Peyton Manning, two professional football players who grew up in Louisiana, flew a plane filled with clean water and other supplies down to the areas in need a couple days after Katrina left.

Many athletes invited these disaster-stricken people into their homes. Curt Schilling of the Boston Red Sox adopted a family of nine into his home, and they will stay until they can get back on their feet.

Fiscally, the sports world has also stepped up. The Major League Baseball (MLB), National Basketball Association (NBA) and NFL have all contributed \$1 million. The Yankees also donated \$1 million.

Two weeks after the devastation, ABC, ESPN and the NFL held a telethon during Monday Night Football. They raised \$5 million for the Bush-Clinton Katrina Fund.

Kenny Smith, TNT basketball analyst, organized a Katrina Relief charity all-star basketball game in Houston. Kobe Bryant challenged other players in the game to match his donation of \$10,000 per point.

This was not the first time athletes pitched in

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Club hockey scores a hat trick in recent wins

By Paul Szaniawski

The Rider Club Hockey team gave its season an early boost by capping a three-game win streak, beating up-the-road league rival The College of New Jersey (TCNJ) down the road at the Loucke's Ice Center on Lawrenceville Preparatory School's campus.

After starting its season 0-3 by losing to perennial favorites Wagner, The University of Pennsylvania, and division champs Princeton, the hockey team turned its season around by beating Monmouth, William Paterson and most recently TCNJ.

The 8-4 victory against its local rival was thanks to a few different factors, according to team captain Sean Levin.

"We wanted it more," said

senior defenseman Levin. "We outplayed them on both ends of the ice and we have a lot of group leadership."

The experienced leadership also consists of two fifth-year seniors, Mike Greenspan and former captain Nick D'Aurizio, as well as graduate student Jeff Schnaars, another former captain.

Other leadership includes senior center Frank Doroba and sophomore captain Mike Carlucci, who is currently out with a knee injury.

Levin described his fellow captain as a hard worker on the ice and a key guy at killing penalties.

"We're optimistic [Carlucci] will come back in the next couple weeks, [most likely] by the beginning of November," said Levin. "He exudes a lot of

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what the Rider hockey team is all about."

Besides these team leaders, it will also look to underclassmen for contributions. Levin said fortunately Rider's coaching system has a superior recruitment program, which helped to fill the big gap after last year's team lost its high scorer, Vince Saccante, and goaltenders Mike Makovic and Joe Dato.

So far they have gotten contributions from sophomore defensemen Bobby Worlow and freshman forward Mike

Vindigni, who each compiled two goals against TCNJ. The team also counts on freshmen goalies Dan Ford and Bobby Kovarovic.

"We expect a lot from the underclassmen. Freshmen consistently make up the second and third lines," said Levin. "We expect them to step it up late in the season come playoff time, because we don't like to lose."

Lately the team has not lost and looks to continue its winning ways tonight against Seton Hall and tomorrow against Marist. Both games will be at home on the Lawrenceville Preparatory School's campus.

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