

Women's volleyball team wins four straight

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After coming off a rough week in which the Penn State - Behrend women's volleyball team lost three of four matches, they bounced back in a big way winning four straight to move their record ahead to 18-15.

The four recent victory's gives the team a big momentum swing heading into this weekend's AMCC Women's Volleyball Conference Tournament.

The tournament will be held at Behrend, which begins this Saturday at 10:00 a.m.

Penn State - Behrend will enter the tournament as the #1 seed, with new rival Frostburg State coming in as the #2 seed.

The two teams split their two matches in the regular season, each winning on their home floor.

The Behrend Spikers will kick off the tournament with a 10:00 a.m. match against #4 seed Pitt - Bradford.

If the Behrend Spikers happen to prevail, they would end up playing at 3:00 p.m. the winner of the match between #2 seed Frostburg State and #3 seed LaRoche in the tournament's championship match.

All of the players on the team seem very excited about the upcoming tournament.

"Our number one goal is to win the AMCC championship," said senior captain Angie Georg.

"The girls are going into the tournament playing very well," said head coach Cindy Jacobelli.

"We feel very good about our chances going in to the tournament. If we happen to meet up with Frostburg in the finals, we may have a slight edge seeing as we have already beaten them at home earlier in the year. Either way, it would most definitely be a competitive match. We are just

going to concentrate on one match at a time," she added.

As for the games that were played earlier in the week, the winning streak started out with a victory over LaRoche. The Spikers won in three straight games 15-6, 15-11, and 15-9.

Heather Lerch and Amy Good led the offense with 10 and 9 kills apiece. Angie Georg had a productive day with 4 service aces, and 27 assists. Erin McCormick chipped in with 6 kills and 3 blocked shots, while Angela Traister came up with 7 digs.

The Spikers followed up two days later with a three game thrashing of Pitt - Greensburg, 15-2, 15-7, and 15-6.

Mary Good came through big on the day with 7 kills. Also contributing in the win were Beth Calhoun with 4 service aces and 6 kills, and Erin McCormick with 3 service aces and 3 blocked shots.

The Spikers ended their week with a dual match against both Lake Erie and LaRoche.

Against Lake Erie, the Spikers won in three straight games 15-3, 15-3, and 15-6.

Amy Good came through with 7 kills, with Mary Good and Erin McCormick each coming through with 6 kills respectively. Angie Georg had a big day at the service line with 5 aces, while also contributing 19 assists.

In the Spikers final game of the

week, they took down LaRoche in three straight games 15-1, 15-10, and 15-7.

Amy and Mary Good led the way on offense with 10 kills apiece. Beth Calhoun had 6 kills and 3 service aces, while also coming through big on defense with 3 blocks.

If the Behrend Spikers win the AMCC conference tournament, they have the possibility of making the ECAC playoffs after the season. Although the team would gladly accept the invitation into the ECAC playoffs, coach Cindy Jacobelli said, "We will not worry about that until after the tournament. The AMCC title is our number one goal," she added.

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WHEN: Saturday, November 8, 1997

WHERE: Penn State-Behrend

Saturday, November 8th

10:00 #1 seed Penn State-Behrend vs. #4 seed Pitt-Bradford

12:00 #2 seed Frostburg State #3 seed La Roche College

3:00 Championship



Athlete of the Week

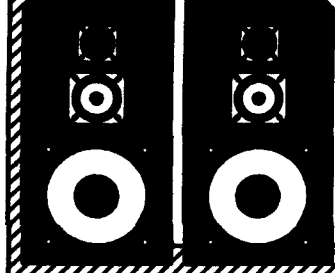
Herrmann Breaks Career Scoring Record

Senior Lara Herrmann had a record breaking week for the Penn State - Behrend women's soccer team, to earn the Housing and Food Service Athlete of the Week Honors.

Herrmann scored her Behrend record breaking 22nd goal in the Lions 2-1 victory over Frostburg State last Sunday, which gave the Lions their first AMCC soccer titlesince the conference was created just this year.

The 22 goals breaks the previous record of 21 set by Trisha Baird, who scored all 21 goals in her freshman season, the only year she played at Behrend. Herrmann and the rest of the Lady Lions will return to action Nov. 8 and 9 in the ECAC tournament.

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