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Warren Gross (right) blocks a goal attempt by Binghamton's Scott Zobre (11) during Sunday afternoon's game. Penn State won the game, 4-1.

## Lions fall on road

By Andrew Robinson  
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For five minutes in the second half, they led the No. 4 team in the nation.

That lead didn't hold, however, and the Penn State women's soccer team lost its fifth straight game, 4-2 to the Portland Pilots Sunday night at Merlo Field in Oregon. Despite the result, the Nittany Lions coach Erica Walsh was happy with the fight her team showed.

"That was our best performance since the Virginia effort [Aug. 27]. Our team walked off with our heads held high," Walsh said. "I really felt that we worked and battled today and that's the standard we will expect going forward."

Freshman Maya Hayes scored for the second game in a row, giving the Lions a 1-0 lead in the first half. But a late foul call with 19 seconds left in the half gave Portland a penalty kick that Danielle Foxhoven converted to tie the game at the break.

Sophomore Christine Nairn put the Lions back on top with a penalty kick of her own in the 48th minute. Nairn had missed a penalty against Virginia, but pushed this attempt past Portland's keeper into the right side of the net.

After the ball went in, the sophomore jumped into the air, pumped her fist and hugged a teammate. Walsh said before the game she told several players they could take a penalty and whichever one of them stepped up would get the shot.

"[Nairn] stepped up and she buried it," Walsh said. "I give her huge credit for that."

Despite struggling over the past three weeks, the Lions were leading one of the country's best teams. From there though, things only went downhill.

The Pilots tied the game in the 53rd minute when Michelle Cruz put a rebound header past Lions keeper Krissy Tribbett after Tribbett had saved a shot. Less than two minutes later, the Pilots struck again when Micaela Capelle beat Tribbett from the wing to the lower corner of the net.

Portland would add an insurance goal in the 66th minute, but

### WOMEN'S SOCCER

4  
Portland  
2  
Penn State

Walsh

## Hertzog's late goal lifts Lions

By Mike Still  
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Corey Hertzog let a shot fly from nearly 45 yards out, not entirely sure where it would land or whether or not it would reach its intended target.

But moments later, as Hertzog found himself sprinting in jubilation, arms raised in the air as he fell into a somersault near the far corner of the field, his teammates mobbing him, the junior was sure he'd made the right decision.

"I wouldn't say I was confident in it," Hertzog said with a smile. "It was kind of a lucky goal. But I was trying to put it there and luckily it just went in the back."

The junior's once-in-a-lifetime goal in the 84th minute gave the

Penn State men's soccer team a 4-3 lead over Binghamton University on Sunday, a lead the Lions (4-1-0) would hold onto, claiming their fourth win of the season.

Penn State got off to a hot start, taking a 2-1 lead into halftime on two goals from freshman Jordan Tyler.

Tyler's second and third goals of the season came off a couple of quality finishing opportunities. Once following a Hertzog shot off the crossbar in the 10th minute, and again on a cross from Hertzog in the 18th.

However, the Lions were forced to battle back in the second half as Binghamton's Kyle Manscuk and Luke Halberg scored unanswered goals to tie the game 3-3 following Hertzog's first goal in the 50th minute.

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## Sophomore's toughness shows during win over 'Cats

By Andrew Robinson  
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Brian Forgue looked the part of an exhausted warrior Sunday afternoon.

After battling through a physical 4-1 win over Binghamton, all while fighting through leg cramps, the sophomore defender made his way off

Jeffrey Field with both legs wrapped in ice. Forgue's first start of the season proved to be a bright spot in an otherwise for-

gettable day for the Penn State men's soccer team's defense.

"He's a winner, that kid is a freakin' winner," Penn State coach Bob Warming said. "There's no question about it. He wants to win and we need that competitive hardness in our back line. We were missing that a little bit, but he gave it to us."

Forgue started at left back and quickly imprinted his style of play on the game. The 6-foot, 177-pound defender didn't take long to start mixing it up with Binghamton's attackers.

With a crew of officials that allowed physical play, Forgue was constantly fighting for the ball

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## Streak is over, ultimate goal still remains

By Ryan Loy

WHEN an early-season loss to the No. 2 team in the nation is viewed

by some as a shocker, you know you did something special beforehand.

The Penn State women's volleyball team's win streak — which ended Saturday at 109 consecutive victories after a 3-0 loss to Stanford — took on a life of its own as it grew. But now it's over, and it's time



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for everyone to move on.

For the first time in nearly three years, the Nittany Lions are just another volleyball team.

Despite being handled fairly easily by the Cardinal, Penn State's season outlook is still promising, and the shot at another national championship remains a possibility.

The Big Ten appears stronger this season while the Lions are no longer a level above every other program in the nation, which may bode well for Penn State in the long run.

Friday, the Lions defeated a talented Florida team that may have

been the hottest team in the nation after the Gators beat three top-15 teams to start the season. Add 6,022 rowdy Florida fans and a one set deficit, and it makes the win all the more impressive.

As the Lions erased the early Gator lead and took control of the match, Russ Rose's coaching tactics stuck out.

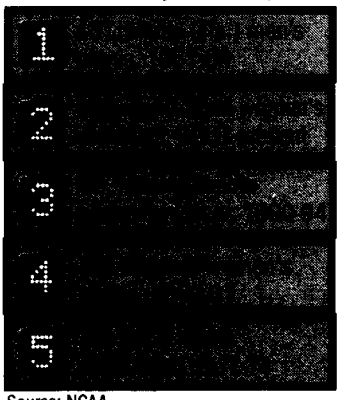
While the Gator players looked wild and out of position as their potential upset slipped away, Rose's players were better disciplined and showed improvement en route to the 3-1 win.

It's the consistent, structured training agenda Rose implements that has made winning routine for

See **STREAK**, Page 12.

### Historical territory

The Nittany Lions fell short of reaching Miami and will stay in second place.



Source: NCAA

Ashley Rickard/Collegian

## Late offensive pressure helps rally Lions to victory

By Zach Fleagle  
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Twenty minutes into the first half of Sunday's field hockey game, the only sound on the field was coming from the Lock Haven side.

The Nittany Lions (2-2) looked as if they were holding their breath, eagerly awaiting their second win of the

year to prevent from dropping three straight matches.

After a Penn State penalty corner, Kristi Shepps raced down field with two of her teammates as Daneen Zug was left on the wrong end of a fast break and the last line of defense. Najia Hasan found Shepps on the

right side for an easy score as Ayla Halus hesitated whether to charge or drop further back.

Tightening up maybe a little, the Lions kept their cool as they defeated the Lady Eagles 3-1 Sunday afternoon.

"It's tough, when you have an offensive corner, you have to put all your girls up there," senior captain Daneen Zug said. "You got to try and take advantage of the down numbers on their side. You just have to hustle back and hope

that somebody can stop the ball."

Coming off of back-to-back losses to No. 3 Virginia and No. 9 Connecticut, the team was looking for a boost, and it started with its freshmen combination. Brittany Grzywacz drove to the net after a shot by Lauren Purvis and put away her first goal, which opened the scoring, as Lock Haven goalie Erin Terreson was caught too far from her post.

"It feels great. I think we needed to get that win," Zug said.

"Today was a big game, we want to see those wins. When you play tough teams and play a tough schedule it happens sometimes and you just got to play through it."

The Lions dominated play all game, registering 33 shots and holding Lock Haven to just nine. However it wasn't until the second half that Penn State pulled away.

After a penalty in the Eagles' circle, midfielder Jess Longstreth

See **FIELD HOCKEY**, Page 12.

### QUICK HITS

#### MLB

**Philadelphia** at Florida  
7:05 p.m., CSN  
**Pittsburgh** at New York (NL)  
7:05 p.m., FSN

Q: What was the last official New York Yankees mascot called?  
Friday's Answer: Jared Allen

### USA wins gold medal (AP)

Kevin Durant beamed as he listened to his national anthem, which hadn't been played at the end of the world championship in 16 years.

And that was no "B-Team" standing beside him on the center of the medals platform.

It was the best team in the world. The United States won its first world championship since 1994 on Sunday, beating Turkey 81-64 behind another sensational performance from the tournament MVP.

Durant scored 28 points, setting a record along the way for most in the tournament by a U.S. player. He left the court with 42 seconds remaining and shared a long hug with coach Mike Krzyzewski, who finally won the world title after his previous two attempts ended with bronzes.

### OUR THOUGHTS

#### Hokies' loss hurts Boise

It's been voted one of the toughest places to play in college football, but Saturday FCS opponent James Madison turned then-No. 13 Virginia Tech's Lane Stadium into a house of horrors.

JMU's defeat of Va. Tech not only hurt Hokies' fans, the blow to Va. Tech's ego was felt 2,264 miles away in Boise, Idaho.

Despite beating Va. Tech in week one, thanks to the Hokies' loss, Boise State can kiss any chance of a BCS Championship berth goodbye.

Boise simply does have the schedule strength to warrant a championship berth now that the Hokies have shown their true colors. Enjoy another Fiesta Bowl, Boise.