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Beat continues

Win streak at six following 4-0 shutout at ASU

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JONESBORO, Ark. - Middle Tennessee erupted for four first-half goals and made them stand in a 4-0 win at Arkansas State to run its current win streak to six and take its 13th in succession against Sun Belt Conference opponents here Sunday afternoon.

The Blue Raiders (12-2, 6-0) completed the weekend sweep with a pair of shutouts to run the season total to six and received contributions from the entire team. Middle Tennessee's depth was once again a factor as four different Blue Raiders scored.

"It was a good weekend for our team and it was good to go on the road and continue to have success because that's what you have to do in order to win championships," Middle Tennessee Head Coach Aston Rhoden said. "It's always tough to go on the road and win in conference play and our players have answered those challenges well to this point."

The Blue Raiders came out in workmanlike fashion Sunday as the set sails toward a win that would move them third on the single-season list and just one shy of the school-record mark of 13 (2004, 2005). [Kaley Forrest](#) capped a tremendous weekend when she started the scoring with a nifty move and goal off a [Kala Morgan](#) assist in the fourth minute.

[Kala Morgan](#) netted her Sun Belt Conference leading 13th goal of the season in the 10th minute on an assist from Burgess. Morgan moved into a tie for second on the single-season goals list and sixth on the career list (20).

[Jeanette Heltne](#)'s first career goal in the 38th minute staked the Blue Raiders to a comfortable 3-0 advantage and provided [Rebecca Rodriguez](#) with an assist to give her 83 career points, four shy of the career points lead at Middle Tennessee. Grogan capped the scoring with her 11th goal just before the half to help send the Blue Raiders on their way to the win.

Middle Tennessee will look to maintain a share of the Sun Belt Conference lead when it returns to league action next weekend at Blue Raider Field.

NOTES: Middle Tennessee won its 13th straight game against Sun Belt Conference opponents ... The Blue Raiders improved to 8-0-0 all-time against Arkansas State ... Freshman keeper [Erynn Murray](#) played 62:17 scoreless against the Indians and has not allowed a goal in 440:20 ... The Blue Raiders are 26-8-5 against SBC opponents under Rhoden ... The Blue Raiders notched their sixth shutout of the season which is tied for third most in a single season ... The Blue Raiders moved into third on the single-season list for wins with 12. The record is 13 ... [Holly Grogan](#) moved into third on the career goals (27) and points list (69) with one goal Sunday ... [Kala Morgan](#)'s three points (1 goal, 1 assist) moved her into sixth on the career goals list (20) and tied for fifth on the career points list (52). Morgan also is tied for second on the single-season goals list (13) and fourth on the single-season points list (33).



Jeanette Heltne scored her first career goal against Arkansas State Sunday. (Jake Emery)

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