

Ole Miss deals Blue Raiders 4-1 setback

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OXFORD, Miss. - Middle

Tennessee's soccer team is still searching for its first win of the 2004 season after dropping a 4-1 decision at Ole Miss on Sunday. The Blue Raiders (0-2) started the season with a hard-fought 2-1 loss in the waning seconds at Mississippi State on Friday, but Ole Miss (2-0) didn't wait until late to apply the dagger. The Rebels jumped out to an early 1-0 lead less than eight minutes into the game and increased the advantage to 2-0 with 15 minutes remaining until halftime. Middle Tennessee staged a rally and cut the deficit in half early in the second period when senior

newcomer Debs Brereton scored her first Blue Raider goal 13 minutes into period. Brereton went unassisted when she fired the ball 18 yards into the upper left corner. The Blue Raiders kept it close until Brittney Potts collected and steal and cashed in from 20 yards in front of the goal to widen the margin to 3-1. The score would remain that way until Kelly Renie scored her second goal of the game in the 88th minute to end any lingering doubts. For the second time in as many games the Blue Raiders didn't have many opportunities as they managed just eight total shots, including just two in the first half. Ole Miss, on the other hand, kept the Middle Tennessee defense busy with 23 shots (10 first half, 13 second half). Middle Tennessee will return to action at Belmont Friday, the third of four road games to start the season. Middle Tennessee 0 1 - 1

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7:39 UM Karen Hall (Lindley Beckman; Kelly Renie)

29:25 UM Kelly Renie (Kristal Menard)

58:47 MT Debs Brereton (unassisted)

65:41 UM Brittney Potts (unassisted)

88:34 UM Kelly Renie (Potts)

Shots: MT 8 (Ward 3), UM 23 (Renie 5). Shots on Goal: MT 6 (Brereton 2), UM 9 (Renie 3). Saves: MT 5 (Manis), UM 5 (Shelton). Corner kicks: MT 0, UM 4. Fouls: MT 6, UM 8.

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