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Overtime goal drops Blue Raider soccer

Middle Tennessee falls at Troy Friday

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TROY, Ala. - One score was all that was added to the scoreboard Friday afternoon as host Troy earned a 1-0 overtime victory against Middle Tennessee in Sun Belt soccer action at the Troy Soccer Complex in Troy, Ala.

The Blue Raiders dominated much of the contest, outshooting the Trojans, 17-3, but the visitors were unable to find the back of the net.

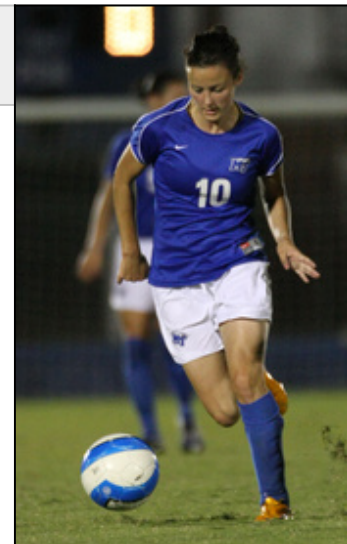
"It is a very disappointing loss," head coach Aston Rhoden said. "We created a lot of opportunities, but you have to credit Troy for taking advantage of a chance it had in overtime."

Troy (6-4-1, 2-1 Sun Belt) netted the game winner at 94:11 when Mary Morris found the back of the net following a stop of a Blue Raider clearing attempt. The Trojans had lined up for a corner kick and when Middle Tennessee's defense tried to clear the ball away from the net, it deflected off a couple players inside the 18-yard box before landing at Pinder's feet for the unassisted score. It was the only corner kick of the game for Troy.

The Blue Raiders had several chances to put marks in their column, as sophomore [Shan Jones](#) led all players with five shots. Junior [Jaimee Cooper](#) posted four attempts, while senior [Jen Threlkeld](#) added two shots.

The loss for Middle Tennessee (8-2-1, 2-1 Sun Belt) ends a five-game winning streak and a six-game unbeaten run. The 8-2-1 record is one-half game shy of the program's best start through 11 matches, as the 2006 squad opened at 9-2.

The Blue Raiders will continue their road swing at 1 p.m. Sunday when they travel to Mobile, Ala., to face South Alabama.



Sophomore Shan Jones led all players with five shots at Troy Friday. (Bradley Lambert)

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