

RAY, BRACKETT HELP RADFORD WIN BIG SOUTH TOURNAMENT TITLE

Junior midfielder Nicole Ray assisted Nelia Perez's game-winning goal in the eighth minute

to help the Radford Highlanders defeat Gardner-Webb 1-0 in the Big South Conference women's championship on Nov.4 in Matthews, N.C..

It is the first title for the Highlanders since 2012 and sixth overall. The win also earned an automatic berth into the NCAA Division I tournament.

Sandra Brackett also saw action for Radford in the conference final. The sophomore saw 17 minutes of action as a substitute.

Both Ray (above, left) and Brackett (above, right) have played in Fredericksburg FC's youth and adult programs. The Highlanders opened with a tough task in the NCAA first round, taking on nationally ranked West Virginia, Ray and Brackett each saw action that match, a tough 6-0 setback. The match was 3-0 until the Mountaineers pulled away with three goals in the final 12 minutes.

Radford finished the season with a 16-3-1 record. Both played in 20 matches, Ray (6 starts) contributing 2 assists, while Brackett (3 starts) registered 1 assist.

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BURGER, ARKANSAS-LITTLE ROCK WIN FIRST SUN BELT TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONSHIP

Maeve Burger transferred to the University of Arkansas-Little Rock from Butler University before the 2018 season and helped the Trojans win their first-ever conference championship with a 6-5 win in penalty kicks—after a 0-0 tie in regulation and overtime—against Texas State on Nov. 4.

Burger, who in the past has played in FFC's adult programming, finished the season

with 3 goals after playing in 16 matches (5 starts). The junior midfielder recorded one shot in the conference final.

Little Rock advanced the NCAA tournament where they fell 5-1 at Arkansas in the first round. Burger also saw action in that match, recording 2 of the team's 6 shots.

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FLORIDA STATE WOMEN WIN NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

The Florida State women's soccer team captured its second NCAA Division I National Championship in five years with a 1-0 victory over North Carolina





in Cary, N.C., on Sunday.

Clara Robbins (right, 2nd from right), who played in FFC's youth and adult programming, was a member of the Seminoles squad as a red-shirt sophomore defender. Robbins, spent most of the season recovering from a second knee injury, but did see action in three games and was on hand to be part of the championship moment.

Sunday's victory added to the trophy case after the Seminoles (20-4-3) captured the ACC Championship 3-2, also over the Tar Heels (21-4-3) in Cary, N.C.

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FITZ, MESSIAH FALL IN NCAA DIII ELITE EIGHT

Messiah's men's soccer team came up a few wins short of defending its 2017 national title after a 2-1 loss to Rochester on Nov. 18. Junior midfielder Micah Fitz nished with 1 goal and 7 assists (second on the team). Fitz has played in both FFC's youth and adult programming.

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