

# Big South Conference Weekly Volleyball Report

Through Matches of September 8, 2002

## BIG SOUTH VOLLEYBALL STANDINGS

Team	Conference					Overall					Other			
	W	L	Pct.	GW	GL	W	L	Pct.	GW	GL	Home	Road	Neu	L10
Winthrop	0	0	.000	0	0	6	1	.857	20	7	4-0	1-0	1-1	6-1
Coastal Carolina	0	0	.000	0	0	4	2	.667	4	8	0-0	1-1	3-1	4-2
UNC Asheville	0	0	.000	0	0	4	3	.571	18	13	0-0	1-1	3-2	4-3
Charleston Southern	0	0	.000	0	0	3	5	.375	12	16	1-0	1-2	1-3	3-5
Elon	0	0	.000	0	0	2	4	.333	33	77	0-0	0-2	2-2	2-4
Liberty	0	0	.000	0	0	2	4	.333	10	13	0-0	0-0	2-4	2-4
Radford	0	0	.000	0	0	2	5	.286	9	17	0-0	0-2	2-3	2-5
High Point	0	0	.000	0	0	0	8	.000	8	24	0-4	0-2	0-2	0-8
Birmingham-Southern*	--	--	----	--	--	2	6	.333	10	20	0-0	1-1	1-5	2-6

\*Birmingham-Southern is a provisional Division I member. Its matches do not count in Conference standings.



## PLAYER OF THE WEEK

**Logan Pierce**  
Winthrop, Junior, OH  
Durango, Col.

Pierce has led the Eagles to a 6-1 start. She's averaged 5.07 kills per game and .74 service aces. She's crossed the 20 kill mark four times this season and has posted an attack percentage of .355. She's also tallied two solo blocks and 13 block assists while averaging 2.37 digs per game. Pierce was the MVP of the Winthrop Invitational and was All-Tournament at UNCG.

## RECENT RESULTS

### Friday, August 30

Birmingham-Southern 3, Texas A&M Corpus Christi 0  
UNC Asheville 3, UNC Wilmington 0  
Winthrop 3, UNC Greensboro 0  
Appalachian State 3, High Point 0  
Western Kentucky 3, Charleston Southern 0  
Sam Houston State 3, Birmingham-Southern at 2  
Furman 3, Radford 1  
UNC Asheville 3, Mercer 2  
Memphis 3, Charleston Southern 0  
Troy State 3, Elon 0  
Mercer 3, High Point 1  
William & Mary 3, Radford 1  
Winthrop 3, VCU 0  
Duquesne 3, Liberty 2  
Coastal Carolina 3, Buffalo 2

### Saturday, August 31

Illinois-Chicago 3, Birmingham-Southern 0  
Elon 3, Lipscomb 1  
Appalachian State 3, UNC Asheville 2  
Samford 3, Charleston Southern 1  
Coastal Carolina 3, Canisius 0  
Fresno State 3, Radford 0  
Bethune-Cookman 3, Elon 0  
UNC Asheville 3, High Point 2  
Sacramento State 3, Birmingham-Southern 0  
Winthrop 3, Jacksonville State 2  
Coastal Carolina 3, Bucknell 0  
Radford 3, East Carolina 0  
UNC Wilmington 3, High Point 1  
Georgia Southern 3, Charleston Southern 1  
Winthrop 3, Gardner-Webb 0  
West Virginia 3, Liberty 0  
Liberty 3, Western Illinois 0

### Tuesday, September 3

Duke 3, High Point 0

*Italics denote home team*

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## THIS WEEK'S MATCHES

### Tuesday, September 10

Virginia Commonwealth at Radford 6:00 pm  
UNC Asheville at Morris Brown 6:00 pm  
Birmingham-Southern at Mercer 7:00 pm  
Charleston Southern at College of Charleston 7:00 pm  
Elon at UNC Wilmington 7:00 pm  
N.C. State at High Point 7:00 pm  
Liberty at James Madison 7:00 pm

### Friday, September 13

Elon vs. Marshall (Cleveland State Tour.) 9:30 am  
UNC Asheville vs. Wofford (Mercer Tour.) 10:00 am  
Winthrop vs. Youngstown St. (Missouri Tour.) 11:00 am  
Charleston Southern vs. Mississippi (UCF Tour.) 12:00 pm  
High Point at Mercer (Mercer Tour.) 1:00 pm  
Elon vs. Tennessee Tech (Cleveland St. Tour.) 2:30 pm  
Winthrop vs. Iowa State (Missouri Tour.) 3:00 pm  
High Point vs. Wofford (Mercer Tour.) 4:00 pm  
Birmingham-Southern vs. So. Ala. (Samford Tour.) 4:30 pm  
W. Carolina at Coastal Carolina (CCU Classic) 7:00 pm  
UNC Asheville at Mercer (Mercer Tour.) 7:00 pm  
Delaware State at Liberty (Liberty Invt.) 7:00 pm  
Radford vs. Canisius (Kent State Tour.) TBA

### Saturday, September 14

Birmingham-So. vs. Gard.-Webb (Samford Tour.) 9:00 am  
Elon vs. St. Francis (Cleveland State Tour.) 9:30 am  
Birmingham-So. at Samford (Samford Tour.) 4:30 pm  
High Point vs. UNC Asheville (Mercer Tour.) 11:00 am  
Col. of Char. at Liberty (Liberty Invitational) 12:00 pm  
Winthrop vs. UMKC (Missouri Tour.) 12:00 pm  
Charleston Southern at UCF (UCF Tour.) 12:30 pm  
Savannah St. at Coastal Carolina (CCU Classic) 12:30 pm  
Elon at Cleveland State (Cleveland St. Tour.) 2:30 pm  
UNC Wilmington at Liberty (Liberty Invt.) 4:00 pm  
Charleston Southern vs. Montana (UCF Tour.) 4:30 pm  
Winthrop vs. Duquesne (Missouri Tour.) 5:00 pm  
Pittsburgh at Coastal Carolina (CCU Classic) 7:00 pm  
Radford vs. Canisius (Kent State Tour.) TBA

**Bold denotes Conference game**

*All times listed are local times*



## FRESHMAN OF THE WEEK

**Mary Hock**  
Winthrop, RS  
Garland, Tex.

Hock has been an instant success for the Eagles. She's averaging 3.33 kills per game to rank second on the team with a total of 60. She posted a hitting percentage of .287 and has nine block assists so far this season, despite missing two matches due to illness. Hock was named to the All-Tournament team at the Microtel Inn & Suites Winthrop Invitational.



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**HONORABLE MENTION**

**Rachel Malmborg, Birmingham-Southern**  
Malmborg led BSC in three of our matches in kills. She recorded 3.94 kills per game, 2.81 digs per game and .56 blocks per game.

**Jenny Thomasson, Birmingham-Southern**  
Thomasson had a career-high 20 kills against MTSU. She had matches of 15-2-46 and 20-2-48 in the Memphis win and MTSU loss.

**Hollie Bates, Charleston Southern**  
Bates had a huge week for the Lady Bucs, who went 3-1 during the week. Bates tallied 54 kills, 11 block solos and 16 block assists.

**Jeanne Lambert, Coastal Carolina**  
Lambert was named to the All-Tournament Teams at Buffalo and Davidson. She posted a double-double in every match and leads the team in kills (102) and digs (135)

**Jennifer Hampton, Coastal Carolina**  
Hampton was named to the All-Tournament team at Buffalo. She leads the team in assists with 254 (11.04 a/g), and in aces with nine.

**Maria LaBrutto, Elon**  
LaBrutto was voted to All-Tournament at the Troy State and VCU invitationals. She averaged 2.5 kills per game and 1.15 aces per game.

**Lindsay Reinhardt, Elon**  
Reinhardt totaled 11 kills in nine games and recorded a hitting percentage of .417 in her first four collegiate matches.

**Kimberly Wright, High Point**  
Wright is leading High Point in kills (105) and digs (84) and is second on the team in assists (87). She had 22 kills versus UNCG.

**Jennifer Belk, Liberty**  
Belk was named to the All-Tournament Team at GWU after averaging 3.36 kills and 3.54 digs a game during the three-match event.

**Frida Sigurdardottir, UNC Asheville**  
Sigurdardottir was the MVP of the HPU Classic and was All-Tournament at Navy. She leads UNCA in kills, service aces and blocks.

**Rose Butler, UNC Asheville**  
Butler has been in double figures in kills in five of her seven career matches and is currently third on the team in kills and digs.

**PRESEASON POLL**

1. Liberty
2. Winthrop
3. Coastal Carolina
4. Radford
5. Charleston Southern
6. High Point
7. Elon
8. UNC Asheville

**AROUND THE LEAGUE**

**STINGER**--Birmingham-Southern sophomore blocker Stephanie Harrington injured her right ankle during this weekend's Arkansas State match. She will be evaluated Monday, but is thought to be day-to-day

**YOUTH IS SERVED**--The play of Charleston Southern freshmen Katie O'Riordan and Victoria Owens, has been instrumental in the team's improved play. O'Riordan, along with Bates, was named to the All-Tournament team at the Georgia Southern Invitational.

**STARTING STRONG**--Coastal Carolina started the season with three wins in Buffalo to capture the Buffalo Tournament. The Chanticleers were brought back down to Earth this week though, registering a 1-2 record at the Wildcat Classic at Davidson

**CAREER VICTORY**--Elon's struggled its first week of the season, but captured coach Sue Leonard's 300th career win at the VCU tournament this weekend.

**INDIVIDUAL EFFORTS**--Elon's Katie Newby had 95 assists, Emily Hayes had 15 service aces and Maria LaBrutto had 12 blocks.

**SLOW STARTS ARE THE RULE**--High Point's 0-8 start this season is the third time in four seasons that the Panthers have dropped their first eight matches. The Panthers started 0-17 in 1999.

**BREAK IN THE ACTION**--The Lady Flames take a brief break from their tournament scheduled to play James Madison on Tuesday evening before hosting the Liberty Invitational beginning Friday evening. During the two-day event Liberty will host Delaware State, College of Charleston and UNC Wilmington

**BELK'S BACK**--In the season opening tournament at Duquesne, Liberty outside hitter Jennifer Belk picked up where she left off last season, as she was named to the All-Tournament Team at the Pittsburgh, Pa. event.

**BROKEN GATES**--The Highlanders have been playing without the services of junior OH/RS hitter Sarah Gates. Gates, RU leading offensive returnee from last year's squad, has been bothered by a sore shoulder early this season.

**IMPROVING**--UNCA is off to a solid start in the 2002 season. The Bulldogs are 4-3 and have already won half as many matches as they did all of last year when they won just seven.

**BEST THREE OUT OF FIVE**--Plan to stick around when you watch the Bulldogs. Five of UNCA's seven matches have gone five games. The Bulldogs have a 2-3 record in those matches.

**LEADING THE WAY**--The big gun for Asheville in the early going has been the play of sophomore Frida Sigurdardottir. The Icelandic native was the MVP of the High Point Classic and then earned All-Tournament honors at Navy this past weekend. She leads UNCA in kills (2.97), service aces (10) and blocks (0.98).

**DYNAMIC DUO**--UNCA has also been getting good play from freshmen Amanda Wiles and Rose Butler. The duo played at Grissom HS in Huntsville, AL. Wiles, a setter, has been Asheville's starter from day one. She has given UNCA some offense as well with a 2.16 kill per game average. Butler is third on the team in kills with a 2.45 per game mark.

**TOUGH WEEK**--The Eagles are off to one of the best starts in school history at 6-1. They won the Microtel Inn & Suites Winthrop Invitational and were runners-up at the UNC Greensboro Tournament this past weekend.

**PIERCING THE COMPETITION**--Logan Pierce is off to an amazing start as she's totaled 137 kills in just seven matches. She's averaging 5.07 kills and .74 service aces per game (20 total).

**IN HOCK**--Freshman Mary Hock has settled in nicely to the Eagle line-up as she's averaged 3.33 kills per game and named to the all-tournament team of the Microtel Inn & Suites Winthrop Invitational.

**RECENT RESULTS (CONTINUED)****Wednesday, September 4**

Charleston Southern 3, *South Carolina State* 0

**Friday, September 6**

Appalachian State 3, Birmingham-Southern 0  
George Washington 3, Radford 0  
UMBC 3, UNC Asheville 2  
Winthrop 3, High Point 1  
Birmingham-Southern 3, *Memphis* 2  
Charleston Southern 3, Bethune-Cookman 0  
Davidson 3, Coastal Carolina 1  
Virginia Commonwealth 3, Elon 1  
George Washington 3, Liberty 1  
Radford 3, Morgan State 2  
Rutgers 3, Liberty 0

**Saturday, September 7**

Arkansas State 3, Birmingham-Southern 1  
Coastal Carolina 3, North Carolina A&T 2  
Marshall 3, High Point 1  
Charleston Southern 3, Lipscomb 1  
Winthrop 3, *UNC Greensboro* 1  
The Citadel 3, Charleston Southern 1  
Elon 3, Hampton 0  
Liberty 3, Morgan State 1  
Marshall 3, Winthrop 2  
Middle Tennessee State 3, Birmingham-Southern 1  
UNC Asheville 3, Albany 0  
Rutgers 3, Radford 1  
*UNC Greensboro* 3, High Point 2  
Navy 3, UNC Asheville 2  
Mercer 3, Elon 0  
Southeastern Louisiana 3, Coastal Carolina 0

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