

**2010 NCAA Tournament – Tallahassee, Fla.
Nov. 12, 2010
USF 3, Auburn 1**

USF Coach Denise Schilte-Brown

Opening statement after Bulls won their first NCAA game in their first appearance:

“I was really proud of the girls today. It was a good game for us and we took care of our opportunities. I thought in the last six or seven games we’ve been progressing as a team and today a lot of things culminated to help our performance. I thought our possession was better than it had been and our second half effort, especially out of the gates, has been better than it has been the last five or six games. From this young team, we’re seeing more and more progression to an excellent team. I’m really proud of them.”

On Sunday’s second-round match-up with Florida State:

“I have not played Florida State in my tenure at USF, so it’s an exciting matchup. Although we were preparing for Auburn we did take the opportunity to scout Florida State today. We went confidently into the game with Auburn; felt like we would be successful. Florida State has been on our radar and I feel like it’s going to be a really competitive game. I’m excited to see the two teams match up. I don’t think many teams can say what we’re saying – that we’re getting better. I feel like it’s the right time for us to be progressing going into the NCAA Tournament. The girls are maturing with every win and the expectations are going up.”

Taylor Patterson, USF sophomore midfielder

On capitalizing to get on the scoreboard first with the first of two goals:

“I just took great feeds from Chelsea Klotz and Brittany Pilon, took them on, took a shot and it went in. It was not that easy, but it made me really happy.”

How important was it to get the second goal after Auburn had tied the game?

“It was a very important goal. It needed to be done, whether it was me or another teammate. I was happy to get it.”

On the importance of getting USF’s first NCAA Tournament soccer victory:

“To get that first one is great, but we want to go further. It’s a big opportunity to prove to everybody that we’re better than people think we are. I’m just really excited.”

Sharla Passariello, USF freshman forward:

On her goal which gave USF a 3-1 lead at 78:25, sealing the victory:

“I just remember sliding, then getting up and people piling on top me. ... (the ball) went off the post and trickled in.”

Auburn Coach Karen Hoppa:

Opening statement:

“Overall it was a very competitive game. I just say congratulations to South Florida. The real difference in the game was they finished and we didn’t. We had more opportunities, we had more time of possession, and they scored their opportunities and we didn’t and that was the difference in the game.”

Ana Cate, Auburn sophomore midfielder:

On her game-tying goal early in the second half:

“The whole game we were knocking on the door. We had shots. We had shots on goal. We had opportunities and we finally finished the one. It really gave us the boost that we needed. Mentally, after we scored, we really thought we could do it. Right after that we had at least two or three good shots. Those go in and it’s a different game. Those go in and we’re winning. Those go in and all we have to do is hold the lead. So, once we scored, we just had to score another one, and the difference is they did and we didn’t and it (momentum) went right back to them once they scored.”

On the difficult defending USF forwards Venicia Reid and Patterson:

“They’re both quality players, very dangerous when you give them time. In the last goal we switched to three back and at that point it was man for man for man back there and they had one quick counter and they scored another goal and that sealed the game for them.”

Katy Frierson, Auburn junior midfielder:

On the flow of the game in the midfield:

“Their front three are very dangerous. The midfield does a great job of getting them the ball. They’re dangerous on the counter-attack. As we were pushing forward trying to get that next goal, there was a huge gap within them. We understood that was going to happen. Our midfield did a great job of winning the first and second ball, but a lot of it opened up once when we starting pressing forward.”