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2008 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Location	Time
August			
18 Mon.	Winthrop (Exh)	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
23 Sat.	NC State (Exh)	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
29 Fri.	Clemson	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
September			
2 Tues.	Presbyterian	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
<i>Wake Forest Tournament</i>			
5 Fri.	North Carolina	Winston-Salem, NC	5 p.m.
7 Sun.	Wake Forest	Winston-Salem, NC	3:30 p.m.
adidas-South Carolina Gamecock Classic			
12 Fri.	Lehigh	Columbia, SC	7:30 p.m.
14 Sun.	Jacksonville	Columbia, SC	2:30 p.m.
19 Fri.	Coll. of Charleston	Charleston, SC	7 p.m.
24 Wed.	Furman	Greenville, SC	7 p.m.
27 Sat.	Davidson	Columbia, SC	1 p.m.
October			
4 Sat.	FIU*	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
8 Wed.	SMU*	Dallas, Texas	8 p.m.
12 Sun.	Kentucky*	Lexington, KY	2 p.m.
17 Fri.	Memphis*	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
25 Sat.	Marshall*	Huntington, WV	7 p.m.
29 Wed.	UAB*	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
November			
1 Sat.	Tulsa*	Tulsa, OK	8 p.m.
7 Fri.	Central Florida*	Columbia, SC	7 p.m.
12-16	C-USA Tournament	Dallas, Texas	TBD

* indicates Conference USA opponent
 home matches in **bold**
 all times Eastern
 all times, dates and locations subject to change
 all home game played at Stone Stadium



UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location Columbia, S.C.
 Founded 1801
 Enrollment 27,390
 Conference Southeastern
 Conference Affiliation - Men's Soccer..... Conference USA
 Nickname..... Gamecocks
 Colors Garnet and Black
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 President Dr. Harris Pastides
 NCAA Representative..... Dr. Bill Bearden
 Athletics Director Eric Hyman
 Senior Woman Administrator..... Val Sheley
 Soccer Admn./Deputy Athletics Director..... Marcy Girton
 Soccer Facility (Capacity) Eugene E. Stone II Stadium
 (5,700)

SOCCER HISTORY

First Year of Soccer 1978
 All-Time Record 402-154-48 (.705)
 NCAA Tournament Appearances 18
 (2005, 2004, 2002, 2001, 2000, 1998, 1997, 1995, 1994,
 1993, 1992, 1990, 1989, 1988, 1987, 1986, 1985, 1979)
 Last NCAA Tournament Appearance 2005
 NCAA College Cup Appearances 2 (1988, 1993)
 Conference Championships 2 (1993-Metro, 2005-C-USA)
 Record at Stone Stadium 262-58-17 (.803)

HEAD COACH

Head Coach (Alma Mater).... Mark Berson (North Carolina, '75)
 Years at South Carolina..... 30
 Record at South Carolina 402-154-48 (.705)
 Career record 413-159-48 (.704)
 Years 31

ASSISTANT COACHES

Assistant Coach..... Bert Molinary, Fifth Season (Excelsior, '03)
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2008 TEAM INFORMATION

Starters Returning/Lost..... 10/1
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost..... 19/8
 2008 Newcomers..... 8
 2007 Record 11-6-2
 2007 C-USA Record/Finish 4-2-2/Fourth
 Final NSCAA Ranking NR
 2007 Postseason..... L to Tulsa in C-USA Tour. Semifinals

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Statistics and notes will be made available to the media prior to each match in the Stone Stadium press box.

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Media guides, game notes, rosters and final match statistics are provided at each home match. Postgame interviews will be held on the Stone Stadium field approximately 10 minutes after the match ends. Please notify a member of the South Carolina media relations staff of any requests. Postgame summaries will be available in the Stone Stadium press box shortly after the end of the match.

WWW.GAMECOCKSONLINE.COM

The official athletics website for the University of South Carolina, *GamecocksOnline.com*, is updated continuously throughout the year. Weekly releases, feature stories, player biographies and audio clips are available for Gamecock men's soccer and all South Carolina varsity sports.

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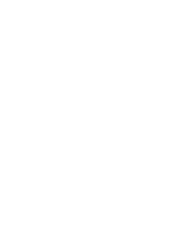
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2008 ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

No.	Name	Class	Ht/Wt.	Position	Hometown/Last School
9	Sam Arthur	SO	6-0/179	Forward	Roswell, Ga./Greater Atlanta Christian School
27	Andre Bahri	FR	5-10/170	Midfield	Jacksonville, Fla./The Bolles School
30	Vance Benson	RS FR	5-9/156	Defender	Rock Hill, S.C./Northwestern
29	Luke Berson	FR	6-1/183	Defender	Columbia, S.C./Dreher
11	Blake Brettschneider	SO	6-1/174	Forward	Lilburn, Ga./Parkview
12	Mario Burstein	JR	5-10/154	Midfield/Defender	Marietta, Ga./George Walton
13	Danny Cates	FR	5-10/153	Defender/Midfielder	Irmo, S.C./Dutch Fork
32	Jugal Dalal	FR	5-6/133	Midfielder	Irmo, S.C./Irmo
28	Trey Foster	RS SO	5-5/150	Midfield	Fort Mill, S.C./Fort Mill
21	Kevan Hawkins	SR	5-10/160	Midfield/Forward	Denton, Texas/Ryan
19	Hunter Howayeck	FR	6-1/168	Defender/Midfielder	Jacksonville, Fla./The Bolles School
14	Ryan Kropp	SO	6-0/153	Forward	Rock Hill, S.C./USC-Upstate
3	Spencer Lewis	SR	5-6/135	Midfield	Irmo, S.C./Irmo
26	Mike Lindsay	SO	6-0/176	Forward	Starkville, Miss./Starkville
24	Bryan Lowder	JR	6-0/186	Forward	Brentwood, Tenn./Louisville
31	Daniel Lynch	FR	6-0/179	Defender	Irmo, S.C./Irmo
7	David MacVane	FR	5-11/168	Midfield	Saratoga Springs, N.Y./Saratoga Springs
8	Sergio Mariani	FR	5-9/170	Midfield	Sao Paulo, Brazil/ Liceu Albert Sabin Ribeirao
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5	Stephen Morrissey	FR	6-1/169	Midfield	Franklin, Tenn./Battle Ground Academy
0	Sean Nguyen	RS JR	6-5/205	Goalkeeper	Wilmington, N.C./Cape Fear CC
18	Evan O'Dell	SO	6-2/182	Defender	Duluth, Ga./Peachtree Ridge
25	Ross Power	FR	5-11/174	Goalkeeper	Columbia, S.C./Hammond School
23	Schuyler Reardon	JR	6-2/185	Forward	Aiken, S.C./Aiken
2	Tyler Ruthven	JR	6-2/174	Defender	Alpharetta, Ga./San Francisco
10	Jeff Scannella	JR	5-8/154	Defender/Midfielder	Alpharetta, Ga./Northview
20	David Smith	SR	5-11/182	Midfield	Arlington, Texas/Summit
15	Josh Stewart	SO	5-10/176	Midfielder	Vestavia, Ala./Vestavia Hills
4	Brandon Tarr	FR	5-7/159	Midfield/Forward	Knoxville, Tenn./Christian Academy of Knoxville
17	Will Traynor	SO	6-2/180	Midfielder	St. Charles, Mo./Francis Howell North
22	Brennan Williams	SR	5-8/160	Defender/Midfielder	Columbia, S.C./Cardinal Newman
6	Mark Wiltse	JR	6-0/154	Midfielder/Defender	Belle Meade, N.J./Montgomery

BY CLASS

Seniors	4
Juniors	7
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Freshmen	12

PRONUNCIATION

Andrew Bahri	Andre BAR-E
Mario Burstein	Mario BUR-steen
Sean Nguyen	Sean Na-GU-e-n
Schuyler Reardon	SKY-ler Reardon
Mark Wiltse	Mark WILT-see

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Student Manager	Ryan Leeton
Student Manager	Jack Rouzier



2008 RADIO/TV ROSTER



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Wilmington, NC



#1 Jimmy Mauer
SO • GK
Lawrenceville, Ga.



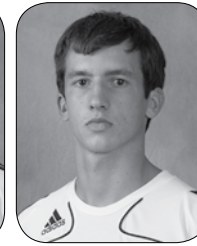
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JR • D
Alpharetta, Ga.



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Beaufort, S.C.



#4 Brandon Tarr
FR • MF/F
Knoxville, Tenn.



#5 Stephen Morrissey
FR • MF
Franklin, Tenn.



#6 Mark Wiltse
JR • D
Belle Meade, N.J.



#7 David MacVane
FR • MF
Saratoga Springs, N.Y.



#8 Sergio Mariani
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Sao Paulo, Brazil



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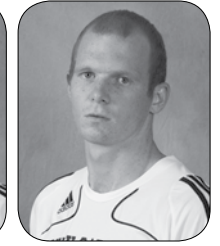
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#13 Danny Cates
FR • D/MF
Irmo, S.C.



#14 Ryan Kropp
R-FR • F
Rock Hill, S.C.



#15 Josh Stewart
SO • MF
Vestavia, Ala.



#17 Will Traynor
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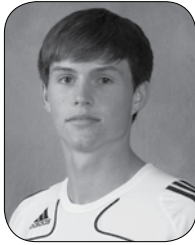
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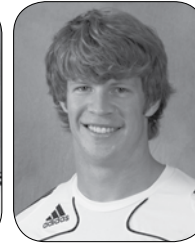
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Irmo, S.C.



Mark Berson
Head Coach



Bert Molinary
Asst. Coach



Mike Babst
Asst. Coach



STONE STADIUM

Located in the heart of the South Carolina campus is the home field of the Gamecocks, Eugene E. Stone III Stadium, also known as "The Graveyard".

The stadium, which debuted in 1996, was made possible by the \$1 million gift given by the late Eugene E. Stone III. Stone, who passed away in 1997, was a Carolina graduate and Chairman of Stone Manufacturing Co. Inc., the parent company of UMBRO International.

Stone Stadium's west side houses permanent stands that hold 4,000 fans. It is equipped with a 70' by 8' press box with a camera deck on top. The press box houses both the brand new scoreboard operating system and the public address system as well as room to comfortably seat members of the media.

The facility includes two team rooms, an officials' dressing room, a concession stand for the fans and restrooms for both men and women on each side of the stadium. Also nicknamed The Graveyard because of its close proximity to the House of Peace cemetery, the area has proven to be a "graveyard" for opponents over the years.



TOP 20 CROWDS AT STONE STADIUM

Rank	Opponent	Attn.	Date	Score	WLT
1	Clemson	6,025	10/14/90	1-3	L
2	Clemson	5,900	10/9/88	2-1	W
3	UCLA!	5,750	9/6/98	2-1	W
4	UCLA@	5,718	11/4/89	3-2 ot	W
5	Indiana@	5,600	11/6/88	1-1	T
6	Clemson	5,385	11/1/92	2-0	W
7	Akron@	5,351	11/5/89	1-0	W
8	Clemson	5,027	10/8/00	0-0 ot	T
9	Clemson	5,021	10/11/99	0-1	L
10	Clemson	5,009	8/25/06	3-4	L
11	Indiana@	4,953	10/28/90	2-1	W
12	Clemson	4,868	10/6/02	1-2	L
T13	Boston@	4,500	11/8/87	1-0	W
T13	American#	4,500	12/1/85	0-2	L
15	Clemson	4,400	10/12/86	4-3 ot	W
16	Clemson	4,312	10/10/04	1-0	W
17	Furman	4,125	10/15/00	1-1 ot	T
18	Air Force#	4,104	11/28/93	6-0	W
19	Clemson	4,065	10/19/94	3-1 ot	W
T20	UNC	3,800	9/17/89	3-2	W
T20	Duke	3,800	10/19/86	2-3 ot	L

@ MetLife Classic; # NCAA Quarterfinal; % Umbro Kickoff Classic; ! Providence Kickoff Classic

"I had the great pleasure of saluting Coach Berson at Stone Stadium when he was honored for his 30th season at South Carolina during a Fox Soccer Channel broadcast a year ago. Knowing him and all the great student athletes that have represented South Carolina at this wonderful facility makes you feel good about soccer's past, present and future at the University of South Carolina."

- Dean Linke, Fox Soccer Channel Broadcaster



HOME OF... THE GAMECOCKS





STONE STADIUM

STADIUM RECORDS

MATCH RECORDS

Most Goals: 13 vs. Coastal Carolina (9/26/79)
 Fewest Goals: 0, 29 times
 Most Opponent Goals: 5 by Connecticut (9/14/79); by North Carolina (10/14/94)
 Fewest Opponent Goals: 0, 136 times
 Largest Margin of Victory: 12-0 vs. PC (9/18/78)

SEASON RECORDS

Most Matches: 15 (1988-89)
 Most Wins: 13 (1985-88-89)
 Most Losses: 4 (1983-2000-2003)
 Most Ties: 2 (1983-2000)
 Most Consecutive Wins: 13 (1985)
 Most Consecutive Losses: 2 ('83, '94, '95, '00, '03, '05, '07)
 Longest Unbeaten Streak: 13 (1985)
 Highest Won-Loss Pct.: .955 (10-0-1, 1993)
 Lowest Won-Loss Pct.: .500 (4-4-2, 2000)
 Most Goals: 51 (1997, 11 matches)
 Fewest Goals: 12 (2000, 12 matches)
 Most Opponent Goals: 20 (1992, 14 matches)
 Fewest Opponent Goals: 4 (1987, 12 matches)
 Most Shutouts: 10 (1985, 14 matches)
 Most Opp. Shutouts: 3 (1982, 13 matches; 2000, 10 matches; 2003, 10 matches; 2005, 8 matches)

CAREER RECORDS

Overall Record: 74-45-8 (.583)
 Most Consecutive Wins: 13 (9/1/85-12/1/85)
 Most Consecutive Losses: 2 (9/18/83-9/24/83; 11/6/94-11/20/94; 9/17/95-9/20/95; 9/6/05-9/16/05)
 Longest Unbeaten Streak: 15 (10/17/84-12/1/85)
 Longest Winless Streak: 4 (9/18/83-10/2/83)

MILESTONE MATCHES

1st Match/Win: Presbyterian (9/18/78), 12-0 W
 50th Match: Erskine (10/27/82), 3-1 W
 50th Win: Davidson (10/26/83), 1-0 W
 100th Match: Furman (10/29/86), 0-3 L
 100th Win: Charleston (10/5/88), 3-0 W
 150th Match: Erskine (10/26/90), 4-0 W
 150th Win: Davidson (9/8/93), 5-0 W
 200th Match: Louisville (10/30/94), 4-1 W
 200th Win: Philadelphia Textile (11/15/98), 3-0 W
 250th Match: Davidson (9/4/99), 0-1 L (OT)
 300th Match: Bucknell (9/12/04), 1-0 W
 325th Match: Presbyterian (9/4/07), 4-0 W

NCAA TOURNAMENT RECORDS

Record: 10-9-0 (.526)
 Most Goals: 6 vs. Air Force (11/28/93)
 Most Opponent Goals: 3 by UAB (11/25/01); College of Charleston (11/19/04)
 Fewest Goals: 0 - Six times; most recent against Duke (11/26/00)
 Fewest Opponent Goals: 0 - Six times; most recent against Charleston Southern (11/23/97)

MEMORABLE HOME MATCHES

Over the last 30 seasons, many great memories have been made at South Carolina home matches at The Graveyard, since named Stone Stadium. These memorable matches range from NCAA Tournament wins to strong individual showings, to wins that marked a specific moment in Carolina soccer history.

- 9/19/78** With a 12-0 shutout of Presbyterian College, USC's first-ever home match, Carolina began an excellent record at home.
- 11/17/85** Doug Allison and Scott Cook both add a goal and an assist, as USC wins its first NCAA home match, a 3-0 victory against the Duke Blue Devils.
- 10/12/86** Carolina secured its first home win against archrival Clemson, a hard-fought 4-3 victory.
- 11/27/88** A lone first half goal by Clark Brisson leads Gamecocks to first ever Final Four with a 1-0 victory over SMU.
- 11/4/89** A 3-2 win over UCLA became the first of two wins over the Bruins, helping USC go undefeated in 1989 Met Life Classic.
- 11/12/89** Scott Cook scored a miraculous goal from the near corner flag to defeat Duke, 2-1, in the NCAA Tournament.
- 10/28/90** A 2-1 win over powerhouse Indiana give Gamecocks second Met Life Classic title.
- 11/1/92** The Gamecocks score just 15 seconds into the game and have their captain ejected at 56 seconds, however, they still win a 2-0 thriller over Clemson.
- 11/4/92** Senior All-American Tommy Loeber scored his first career goal with seconds left against College of Charleston to send the match into overtime, where the Gamecocks won.
- 11/28/93** USC reaches second Final Four behind six-goal outburst by six different Gamecock goal scorers to defeat Air Force.
- 10/14/94** Future MLS star Clint Mathis shows first signs of brilliance leading South Carolina to a 7-5 win over North Carolina.
- 10/29/97** Carolina erased a 4-2 second-half deficit to come back and defeat Wake Forest, 5-4, behind five Josh Wolff points.
- 11/23/97** First NCAA match at newly-named Stone Stadium showcases Clint Mathis and Kim Eriksen combine to score two goals, as Carolina defeated Charleston Southern, 3-0.
- 9/6/98** USC defeats top-ranked and defending national champion UCLA, 2-1, for Berson's 300th career win.
- 11/8/98** A bicycle kick by Nathan Watkins gives USC another one-goal win, Berson's 300th win at Carolina as he defeated his alma mater, North Carolina, 2-1.
- 10/10/04** Ryan Deter's goal in the 24th minute sends Carolina past archrival Clemson, 1-0, marking Berson's 375th career win.
- 9/27/06** Cory Lewis scores twice as the Gamecocks defeat UAB, 2-0, and give coach Mark Berson his 400th career victory.
- 10/27/07** Gamecocks defeat Marshall, 3-1, securing Berson's 400th victory at South Carolina





GAMECOCK LOCKEROOM



The Gamecocks' locker room facility is located across the street from Eugene E. Stone III Stadium. It is connected to the USC Indoor Fieldhouse.

Completely refurbished and re-opened in 2005, the building includes team and coaches locker rooms and a players lounge.

FIRST CLASS FACILITIES...





GAMECOCKS ONLINE.COM

GamecocksOnline.com is the official home of South Carolina Athletics, providing updated statistics, rosters, schedules, feature stories, press releases, photo galleries and game recaps for the men's soccer program and South Carolina's 18 other athletic teams.

In addition to having the most up to date information on South Carolina's athletics teams, **GamecocksOnline.com** also provides Carolina fans with the opportunity to subscribe to its Gamecocks All-Access package, featuring radio and television shows, press conferences, game highlights and the Gamecock Sports Update. ▶

ARCHIVES

Archived press releases, game recaps and statistics are available from the 2001 soccer season through present. Photo galleries can also be found under the Fan Central category on the men's soccer specific page on **GamecocksOnline.com**. Feature stories on past and present Gamecock student-athletes can also be found on each sports specific page.

LIVE STATS

Fans can follow the action live with Gametracker, CSTV's online stat tracker that provides up-to-the-minute statistics, game details, and full play-by-play for all Gamecock men's soccer home matches. Gametracker will also be available for select away matches. ▶

LIVE VIDEO BROADCASTS

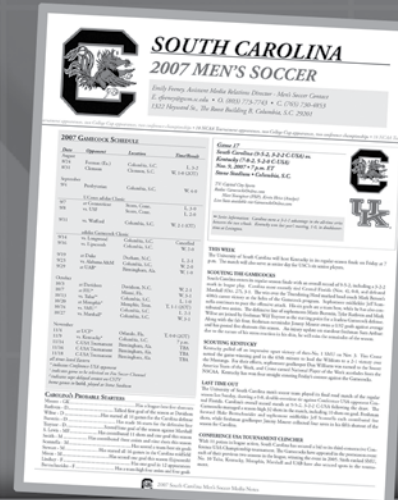
For the first time at Stone Stadium, a live video broadcast will be available for nearly all South Carolina home men's soccer contests in 2008. Feature interviews with student-athletes and past games are also archived and can be viewed around the clock with Gamecock All-Access. An audio broadcast will also be available live for select matches and archived for all home matches.

ONLINE STORE

Purchase your Gamecock apparel and accessories or participate in auctions at the official South Carolina store.

GAME NOTES

Game notes will be available for all of South Carolina's action throughout the season. Each weekly release can be found in the '2008 Season' category on the men's soccer specific page on **GamecocksOnline.com**. ▶





CAROLINA SOCCER CAMP

MARK BERSON'S CAROLINA SOCCER CAMPS, among the most sought out and highly regarded camps throughout the country, offers an array of camps for rising soccer players of all ages and skill levels. The University of South Carolina has a proven record of developing quality talent on the varsity team. The same focus and attention to detail will again be found in the camp program, which will be directed towards serious soccer training. The staff features coaches from around the country with the experience to teach and evaluate players. Campers attend from around the nation, including members of the US national youth team and regional teams. Campers reside in fully air-conditioned dorms. Trainers are on duty for the entire camp period. The camp has attracted teams from New Jersey, Seattle, Dallas, Atlanta, Houston, Jacksonville, Charlotte and many other areas, which along with our South Carolina teams, creates a competitive tournament atmosphere. Most importantly, a highly-qualified staff who can give guidance and insight into the college game will be on hand during all sessions of camp.

Here is a brief description of each camp offered:

SPRING BREAK CAMP

End of March - Boys & Girls Ages 5 - 12: A great spring tune up. This camp is designed for all soccer players from beginner to advanced and is a great way to get ready for your club and recreation seasons.

JUNE DAY CAMP

Late June - (Boys only) Ages 6-15: Day Camps are the first camp experience for many of our young soccer players and are designed to instruct in individual skills, tactics, and fundamentals of team play.

PREMIER CAMP

Mid-July - Boys Ages 10-18: This is a developmental camp for the serious soccer player or team. Premier camp features a highly competitive tournament atmosphere, which has attracted some of the top individuals, teams and guest coaches from around the nation. Campers will learn from our annual College Recruiting Night which features college coaches who provide insight into the recruiting process.

TEAM CAMP

Mid-July - High School JV, Varsity, and Club Teams: The Senior Team Camp is based on a tournament format that allows coaches to work with their teams in match situations.

SENIOR ELITE CAMP AND JUNIOR ELITE CAMP (SEPARATE CAMPS)

Late July - Boys Ages 14-18: This is an intensive, accelerated school for the advanced player or team. Curriculum will emphasize technique, tactics, small-sided play and full-sided matches similar to a college pre-season program. Some of the top players in the country have attended this camp, including several of our current players.

JULY DAY CAMP

Late July - Boys & Girls Ages 6-15: Day Camps are the first camp experience for many of our young soccer players and are designed to instruct boys and girls in individual skills, tactics, and fundamentals of team play.



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The University of South Carolina soccer program continues to prepare its student-athletes for the total experience in college, and for making the next step to the professional soccer world. In 30 years of play – all coming under the direction of head coach Mark Berson – the Gamecocks have had over 40 players that were drafted or played in the professional ranks. Those individuals were drafted by teams either in the North American soccer leagues or in foreign leagues.

With the emergence of Major League Soccer in 1996, Gamecock Rob Smith joined the Columbus Crew, former Gamecock greats, Clint Mathis (New York/New Jersey Metrostars) and Josh Wolff (Chicago Fire/Kansas City Wizards), soon joined the list of Gamecocks in the MLS. Wolff and Mathis finished second and third, respectively, in the voting for MLS Rookie of the Year in 1998. Henry Ring was the first goalkeeper drafted in in the 2000 MLS Super Draft and spent three years with the Chicago Fire and was named to the MLS All-Star team during a breakout 2004 season. Josh Wolff played for a short time overseas, but returned to the friendly confines of MLS in 2008, rejoining the Kansas City Wizards.

In 2003, three more Gamecocks joined the professional ranks. Defender Tim Glowienka was drafted by the NY/NJ Metro Stars and later joined teammate Michael Bachmeyer with the A-League's Pittsburgh Riverhounds. Midfielder David Moore joined the Atlanta Silverbacks, also a member of the A-League. Joey Worthen played with the Richmond Kickers of the A-League in 2004 and Real Salt Lake of the MLS in 2006.

Brad Guzan was the No. 2 pick, the highest ever for a goalkeeper, in the 2005 MLS SuperDraft. Guzan was a three-year starter for CD Chivas USA, however, in August of 2008 he made the move to the English Premier League, signing with Aston Villa. In 2007, Mike Sambrusky was drafted by the defending MLS Champions and his hometown Houston Dynamo. The most recent former Gamecock to join an MLS squad is former goalkeeper Mike Gustavson who is a member of the San Jose Earthquakes.

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

Goalkeeper Brad Guzan earned 2007 MLS Goalkeeper of the Year honors and enjoyed a breakout season with his club Chivas USA. Along with South Carolina's first Major League Soccer player, Rob Smith, Guzan, Mathis and Wolff have had a huge impact on the MLS and the U.S. National Team.

Both Mathis and Wolff entered the MLS after the 1997 season by different methods. Mathis was drafted by the Los Angeles Galaxy as the sixth overall pick in the 1998 draft. Wolff signed with "Project 40" and was assigned to the Chicago Fire.

Mathis and Wolff had breakthrough seasons in 2000. Mathis was the star of the 2000 All-Star game, playing for the NY/NJ MetroStars in the same season that Wolff led the U.S. Olympic team to its best finish in the Olympics. Wolff played every minute for the U.S. during the Olympic Games.

Despite suffering injuries in 2001, Mathis and Wolff were named to the 2002 U.S. World Cup team by head coach Bruce Arena. Both strikers impacted the team's success in South Korea.





In 2001, Wolff was joined by former USC teammate Henry Ring. The goalkeeper was drafted in the third round by the Fire. Ring was the first Gamecock since Mathis to earn two All-America honors (1998 and 2000). Ring, Mathis and Wolff were all teammates during Carolina's 16-3-1 season in 1997, when they closed out their season in the second round of the NAAs. Wolff was traded from the Chicago Fire to the Kansas City Wizards in 2003. Ring assumed starting duties for the Fire in 2004 and had a breakout season, being named to the MLS All-Star team, while Mathis spent the 2004 campaign playing overseas with Hannover 96 of the German Bundesliga before returning to the MLS.

Guzan, the most recent Gamecock alumni to make his mark on MLS, collected 13 shut-outs during the 2007 en route to MLS Goalkeeper of the Year honors. Following a successful three-year stint in MLS, Guzan signed with Aston Villa of the Barclays Premier League in England for the 2008 season.

These Gamecocks are carrying on the Gamecock tradition on the national scene. Mathis and Wolff have been featured on ESPN and ABC for their efforts in the MLS, tracing their start at South Carolina.

GAMECOCKS ON NATIONAL TEAMS

A number of players have played on various United States national teams throughout the years. Coach Mark Berson directed the South team to the gold medal at the U.S. Olympic Festival in Durham, N.C., in 1987 – one year after serving as assistant coach for the South squad. Berson also guided the U.S. Under-18 team to the Granatkin/Leningrad Tournament in 1989 that was held in the Soviet Union. A list of those squads and Carolina players follows:

- U.S. World Cup Team** Josh Wolff (2002, 2006), Clint Mathis (2002)
- U.S. National Team** Mike Gosselin (1992), Clint Mathis (1998-present), Josh Wolff (2001-present), Brad Guzan (2005-present)
- U.S. Olympic Team** Rob Smith (1996), Josh Wolff (2000), Brad Guzan (2008)
- Bolivian National Team** Ruben Tufino (1996)
- U.S. National "B" Team** Clint Mathis (1997), David Turner (1993), Clark Brisson (1992), Mike Gosselin (1989-90-91)
- U.S. Under-23 Team** Billy Clifford (1993-94-95-96), Chris Faklaris (1993-96), Jamie Posnanski (1996), Rob Smith (1993-94-95-96), Tony Soto (1996), Josh Wolff (1998-00)
- U.S. Under-20 Team** Blake Brettschneider (2008), Mike Gustavson (2006), Joey Worthen (1999), Clint Mathis (1994), Tony Soto (1994), Chris Faklaris, (1992-93), Rob Smith (1992-93), Tommy Loeber (1986), Josh Wolff (1996-97)
- U.S. Under-18 Team** Josh Wolff (1994-95), Jamie Starr (1993)
- U.S. Under-17 Team** David Macvane (2006), Brandon Tarr (2006), Mark Wiltse (2003-04), Jeff Scannella (2003-04), Tony Soto (1992), Billy Baumhoff (1991), Mike Solano (1990), Brian Scott (1988), David Corfield (1982) and Raymond Vigliotti (1978-79)
- U.S. Olympic Festival** Henry Ring (1998), Tony Soto (1995), Chris Faklaris (1993-94-95), Rob Smith (1991-93-94-95), Billy Clifford (1993-94-95), Jamie Posnanski (1994-95), Billy Baumhoff (1994-95), Brian Scott (1991), David Turner (1991), Tommy Loeber (1987), Scott Cook (1986-87), Bill Hency (1986), David Goodchild (1981), Eric Hawkes (1981) Chris Heidelberger (1981).
- World University Games** Clint Mathis (1997), Josh Wolff (1997), Chris Faklaris (1995), Jamie Posnanski (1995), Rob Smith (1995), Mike Gosselin (1991)

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

Player (Year)	Team (League)
Paul Turin ('78)	St. Louis (MISL)
Ray Viglotti ('79)	New York (MISL)
Rich Wurdack ('79)	Denver (MISL)
Brian Winstead ('79)	New York (MISL)
	New England (NASL)
Tom Fouch ('79)	Charlotte (ASL)
Ed Fouchs ('79)	Charlotte (ASL)
Dan Potter ('79)	New Jersey (ASL)
John Tremont ('80)	Ft. Lauderdale (NASL)
Art Kramer ('80)	Oklahoma (ASL)
Viktor Wikstrom ('80)	Skeid (NORWAY)
David Burr ('82)	St. Louis (MISL)
David Goodchild ('82)	Denver (MISL)
Eric Hawkes ('82)	Baltimore Blast (MISL)
Warren Lipka ('85)	Fort Wayne (AISA)
Doug Allison ('87)	Carolina (USISL)
Scott Cook ('87)	Baltimore (MISL)
Pat Walsh ('88)	New Jersey (ASL)
Charles Arndt ('89)	Cleveland (MISL)
Scott Henderson ('89)	Washington (MISL)
Tommy Loeber ('90)	San Diego (MISL)
Clark Brisson ('91)	Canton (NPSSL)
Mike Gosselin ('91)	Canton (NPSSL)
Peter Duitsman ('93)	Chicago (APSL)
Rob Smith ('94)	Delaware (APSL)
	Columbus (MLS)
Billy Baumhoff ('94)	Harrisburg (APSL)
	Kansas City (MLS)
Chris Faklaris ('94)	Atlanta (APSL)
Jamie Posnanski ('94)	Carolina (USISL)
Billy Clifford ('95)	New York (APSL)
	Carolina (USISL)
John Mills ('96)	Charleston (USISL)
Jeff Wilson ('96)	Richmond (USISL)
Clint Mathis ('98)	Los Angeles (MLS)
	New York/New Jersey (MLS)
	Hannover 96 (GB)
	Real Salt Lake (MLS)
	Colorado (MLS)
	New York (MLS)
Josh Wolff ('98)	Chicago (MLS)
	Kansas City (MLS)
	Munich 1860 (GB)
Nathan Watkins ('99)	Charlotte (USISL)
Chris Morman ('00)	Raleigh (USISL)
Ryan O'Neill ('00)	Raleigh (USISL)
Henry Ring ('01)	Chicago (MLS)
Joey Worthen ('02)	Pittsburgh (ASL)
	Real Salt Lake (MLS)
	Richmond (ASL)
Michael Bachmeyer ('03)	Pittsburgh (ASL)
Tim Glowienka ('03)	New York/New Jersey (MLS)
	Pittsburgh (ASL)
David Moore ('03)	Atlanta (ASL)
Brad Guzan ('04)	CD Chivas USA (MLS)
	Aston Villa (EPL)
Greg Reece ('05)	Charleston (USL)
Mike Gustavson ('06)	San Jose (MLS)
Josh Alcala ('07)	Crystal Palace FC (USL)
Ralph Pace ('07)	Richmond (USL)
Mike Sambursky ('07)	Houston (MLS)
Ayo Akinete ('07)	Orlando (MISL)

LEAGUES

- AISA – American Indoor Soccer League
- APSL – American Professional Soccer League
- ASL – American Soccer League
- EPL – English Premier League
- GB - German Bundesliga
- MISL – Major Indoor Soccer League
- MLS – Major League Soccer
- NASL – North American Soccer League
- NPSSL – National Professional Soccer League
- USISL – United Systems of Independent Soccer Leagues

2008 SEASON PREVIEW

Depth will be the strength of the South Carolina men's soccer team in 2008. Led by head coach Mark Berson, who enters his 31st season at the helm of the program, the Gamecocks bring a wealth of experience to the pitch. Along with a core of veteran players, Carolina welcomes a recruiting class ranked No. 14 in the country by *CollegeSoccerNews.com*.

"The overriding strength of this year's team will be in its depth," Berson said. "We have a number of players that gained a lot of experience last year. At this time last year, we started five freshmen and four sophomores in our lineup, and all of those guys return this season with a lot of experience under their belts. At the same time, our senior class will certainly contribute and will lend their experience, particularly their experience of winning a conference championship, to this team. Added to that is a very good recruiting class that will give support both with players contributing immediately and as players develop and provide depth throughout the season to our team. When you put all of those things together, you come up with a team that should have good depth. We hope that this will help us not only in winning individual contests, but in the larger picture of keeping our team fresh and hopefully healthy as we move through the season."

DEFENSE

South Carolina returns its entire defensive line in 2008. Led by sophomore goalkeeper Jimmy Maurer, who tallied five shutouts during his rookie season, the Gamecock defense will be a definite strong point this season.

"Jimmy Maurer returns as the reigning Conference USA Freshman of the Year. He was outstanding in the goal for us, but at the same time, he was able to learn a lot last season," Berson said. "In a number of competitive situations, Jimmy was outstanding, and he also had situations where he was able to learn and gain experience. That is a part of the growth of a freshman into his sophomore season. He's a student of the game and he's very mature in his approach and study of the game. Jimmy is a player who will benefit from the experiences he had last year."



Sophomore Goalkeeper JIMMY MAURER

"On the physical side, Jimmy is much stronger. He comes into the pre-season with an added 10-12 pounds of muscle and this will be an important asset for him as he heads into the campaign. He's also worked very hard on his distribution and that has improved as well."

In several critical areas, Jimmy has improved himself over a player that was among the top goalkeepers in Conference USA last year. Clearly his leadership will be important. He is the type of individual who commands leadership by his presence, his accomplishments and his hard work in practice everyday. That leadership and that steady influence are very important to us on our defensive line.”

Junior defenders Mario Burstein, Tyler Ruthven and Mark Wiltse will join Maurer and fellow sophomore Will Traynor on the defensive line in 2008. Wiltse, a Conference USA Third Team member, and Ruthven, the C-USA Newcomer of the Year and a Third-Team honoree in 2007, will anchor a line that allowed a league-low seven goals during conference play last season. The squad helped Carolina collect six shutouts on the season, while allowing just 21 goals (1.10 goals per game) last year.

South Carolina is fortunate to have nearly 100 percent of its offense from last season returning to the field in 2008. The attacking part of the game is generally the last part to fall into place, but the Gamecocks are a step ahead this season with the strength and leadership of the back line in tact. A lot of the attack begins with the distribution and strength of the defensive line.

“A lot of the things that you do in the game of soccer begin with the stature, presence, calmness and ability to read the game from the backline. Our defense has a lot of experience this year, which is a great plus for our team.”

MIDFIELD

The midfield will once again hold a wealth of talent for the Gamecocks in 2008. Junior Jeff Scannella, a 2007 member of the All-Conference USA First Team and NSCAA All-South Region Second Team, will anchor that position for Carolina this fall. Scannella led the Gamecocks with seven goals last season and collected a number of awards for his outstanding play. Sophomore Josh Stewart will join Scannella in the midfield again this season, while classmate Blake Brettschneider will make the move from forward to midfield this fall. Brettschneider contributed four goals and led the team with four assists a year ago. Senior David Smith will also play the majority of his time in the midfield. Smith will provide not only veteran experience, but he will also pose a serious offensive threat to opponents. Two newcomers join the midfield this fall in freshmen David MacVane and Stephen Morrissey. A highly-touted recruit from upstate New York, MacVane will bring a wealth of talent to the Gamecock midfield, having spent time in residency with the U.S. U-17 National Team in 2006. Morrissey, the 2007 Gatorade Tennessee State Player of the Year, will also contribute a great deal to the middle of the field.

“Basically everyone returns in the midfield. No question Jeff Scannella on the left side is a major factor, as well as Blake Brettschneider, who saw time at both the forward and midfield positions last fall. David Smith will also join Brettschneider at the right midfield position. That duo is two of the better players at that position anywhere, and we have the luxury of having them both out there for our team.



Senior Midfielder DAVID SMITH

“In the middle of the field, we have four players who have really done a great job for us. Spencer Lewis returns from the conference championship team in 2005. He is joined by Josh Stewart, who as a freshman last year played a vital role on our team. Freshman Stephen Morrissey has done extremely well in the middle of the field throughout preseason, and of course David MacVane, who we think is one of the most talented young players in the country this year. No question he is one of the brightest freshman players anywhere in any conference, as he has really shown for us in preseason. As he learns and gains more experience with the college game, the different venues, the different competitive arenas that he is going to enter he will clearly get better and better. We really have a lot of depth in the midfield.”

FORWARD

The Gamecock offense will pose a huge threat in 2008 against opposing defensive lines. South Carolina has a wealth of depth at the forward position. Sophomore Sam Arthur returns after missing the final 10 games of last season with a leg injury. Joining Arthur on the front line is classmate Mike Lindsay, who provided a spark off the bench for Carolina the majority of last season. He collected four goals in the final five games of the season and was named to the *TopDrawerSoccer.com* Team of the Week and the C-USA All-Tournament squad. Newcomer Ryan Kropp, a transfer from USC-Upstate, will provide depth at the forward position, as will juniors Schuyler Reardon and Bryan Lowder, while Brettschneider may also see time on the forward line.

"We are very fortunate this year to have a solid group of returning players that will provide depth on the forward line for us," Berson said. "Sam Arthur, who was injured last year, was one of the leading scorers on our team despite that setback. Sam is back this year, he's healthy and he's playing extremely well. He is one of the dominant young forwards in the country in my opinion. Teamed up with him is Mike Lindsay who had a typical freshman year. It took him a while to find his legs, but by the end of the season he was creating a number of dangerous



Sophomore striker Sam Arthur

chances and was voted on the C-USA All-Tournament team at the end of the year. Those guys give us a very dynamic combination up front.

"Senior Kevan Hawkins has had the best preseason of his career in 2008. He's playing very well, he's creating a number of chances and also scoring. It's great to see Kevan healthy and playing with the ability that he has shown in preseason. A number of other guys have also done very well for us at the forward position. Junior Schuyler Reardon and Ryan Kropp, who is a redshirt freshman, has done very well despite nursing a shoulder injury. Junior Bryan Lowder has also had his best

preseason as a Gamecock in 2008. We're really fortunate to have a number of guys that can contribute for us this season."

SCHEDULE

Contests against four teams that participated in the 2007 NCAA Tournament, including three that were ranked in the final NSCAA (National Soccer Coaches Association of America) top 25 poll, highlight the upcoming 2008 season of South Carolina men's soccer. The Gamecocks will play nine regular-season home games at Stone Stadium, including the highly anticipated season opener against archrival Clemson on Aug. 29.

From the final NSCAA top 25 poll, South Carolina will face top-ranked and defending national champion Wake Forest at its home tournament, the adidas Classic, in mid-September. Also from the final poll, Carolina will face No. 18 SMU and No. 20 Tulsa, both Conference USA opponents.

South Carolina looks for its second-straight season-opening victory over Clemson in 2008. South Carolina won the 2007 contest in fashion, as then-freshman Blake Brettschneider netted his first career game-winning tally in the 109th minute of double overtime to capture the 1-0 win. Following its regular-season opener against the Tigers at Stone Stadium on Aug. 29, South Carolina will host Presbyterian College on Sept. 2 before the Garnet and Black travel to the Wake Forest adidas Classic, Sept. 5-7, joining the host Demon Deacons, the University of North Carolina and UCLA in the grand slam tournament field. Carolina will face UNC (Sept. 5) and defending national champion Wake Forest (Sept. 7) at the event.

South Carolina will host the annual adidas Gamecock Classic Sept. 12-14. Carolina welcomes Lehigh University, Jacksonville University and Presbyterian College to Stone Stadium for the weekend tournament. The Gamecocks will face Lehigh in the premier game on Sept. 12, followed by a match with Jacksonville on Sept. 14.

The Gamecocks travel to intrastate rival College of Charleston on Sept. 19. The Cougars finished second last season in the Southern Conference standings with their only league loss against South Carolina's next opponent, fellow in-state competitor, Furman. The Paladins and Gamecocks will play in Furman's Stone Stadium on Sept. 24. Carolina will host Davidson in its final non-conference game of the regular season in Columbia on Sept. 27.

The Conference USA season begins with a home match against Florida International (Oct. 4) followed by a two-match road trip where the Gamecocks will face SMU (Oct. 8) and Kentucky (Oct. 12). Carolina returns home to host Memphis on Oct. 17, before traveling to Marshall on Oct. 25. South Carolina will play two of its final three regular-season contests at home, beginning with a match against UAB on Oct. 29. The Gamecocks will travel to the Midwest for a Nov. 1 matchup with Tulsa, before returning home for their regular-season finale against Central Florida on Nov. 7.

SMU will host the 2008 Conference USA Championship, Nov. 12-16, in Dallas, Texas. All dates and times are subject to change.