

# SOCCKER: Wednesday's win encourages Cougars

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At just 00:36 into the second half, No. 24 Taija Channel scored the first goal of the game.

"I didn't play the first half, so I wanted to come out strong and make an impact on the team," said Channel.

That was all the impact the Cougars needed to pick up steam. They were ahead, but continued to press forward retaining a tight hold on the 1-0 lead in the second half. Corea took another impressive shot, but Crandall saved it again. Flores stayed savvy as she attempted a couple more shots in the second half. Flores received a spot-on pass for her last attempt and Crandall just barely managed to save it.



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With the sun glaring in her face, freshman defender Hristy Prado maneuvers the ball, preparing a pass upfield to a teammate. The sun proves to be a factor in the first half as the Cougars go on to score all three points in the second half, with the sun at their backs.

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**Megan Luckenbach**  
Freshman Defender

The Cougars were still on the attack. At 69:00 on the official time, No. 12 Mecca Williams

assisted a pinpoint shot by Butler for the second goal of the afternoon.

"Mecca did a really nice diagonal ball which was what we talked about at half," said Butler. "Taija had a first-touch (to Williams) which allowed me to split the defense."

Still hungry for points in the final minutes and using smart positioning, Butler ran the ball

towards the goal but Crandall defended. The Cougars still commanded a dominant lead of 2-0. Roberts had three goal attempts in the second half and at 89:00 on the clock, she assisted an excellent open shot on goal by Luckenbach. Her shot scored and the Cougars finished out the game with a 3-0 victory over the Lakers.

"I saw Tori, she gave a good

ball right in the air to me, I took a good first-touch that set me up for the goal," said Luckenbach. "There was a defender on my right side so I had to battle to get in front of her. The whole right side of the goal was open, so I took the shot."

Last Wednesday was not only a convincing win for the team, but the ninth shutout this season for goalkeeping magician Trumbull.



Crandall of the Lakers managed to grab 10 saves. The Cougars were still top of the South region after Wednesday's game and they continue to build momentum towards an NWAACC title shot. Butler offered insight into their journey towards playoffs.

"We need to apply what we do in practice to games," said Butler.



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Freshman forward Tori Roberts strives to keep the ball in-bounds as she drives it upfield on the attack. With the sun behind them, the Cougars pick up momentum and win against the Lakers 3-0.

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