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KEENE STATE SOCCER TEAM DROPS OPENER TO CHRISTOPHER NEWPORT IN OVERTIME 2-1

Christopher Newport 2-1 (OT)

at Williamsburg, Va.

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Keene State (0-1)	1	0	0	1
Christopher Newport (1-0)	1	0	1	2

Scoring: CN: Joey Moriarey (Brian Schwab) 27:44; KS: Chris Ahern (Unassisted) 39:12; CN: B.J. Jenkins (Ryan Cott) 100:11;

Shots: KSC: 10; CN: 14

Saves: CN: Joe Tombriant 7; KSC: Matt Andrulot 7;

Corners: KSC: 6; CN: 13;

WILLIAMSBURG, VA. 9/4/98 – The Keene State College men's soccer team lost its opening game of the 1998 season, 2-1 in overtime to Christopher Newport University in the opening round of CNU's Tournament.

The game, originally scheduled to be played at Christopher Newport, had to be moved to William & Mary College due to a wet field.

The Captains' winning goal with 1:49 left to go in the first overtime was scored by B.J. Jenkins.

"We had no legs in the second half," said KSC head coach Ron Butcher. "It was 82 degrees and humid and they just wore us down."

The Owls did control play in the first half. A defensive breakdown however would result a goal by Joey Moriarey at the 27:44. "It was the first time they touched the ball all half," said Butcher.

Keene State's only tally of the game came 12 minutes later when Chris Ahern scored on a penalty kick. The senior from Charlestown had been pulled down in the penalty box.

The Owls had their chances to put the game away several time in overtime. The best opportunity came three minutes into the extra period when Phil DaRosa hit the cross bar from point blank range. Lakota Denton would later sift through the defense and let go a rocket that was deflected by the Captain's goalie.

"They were a very tough team," said Butcher about Christopher Newport, which finished last season with a 10-9 mark but had 18 letter-winners back.

"It was a very tough opener and now were going to have to some how pull it together for tomorrow," said Butcher, who will send his Owls against the College of New Jersey, last season's Division III runner-up.