

## **Saxons drop season opener against Marywood 3-1**

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WILLIAMSPORT, PA The Alfred University men's soccer team opened the 2008 season with a 3-1 loss to Marywood University in round one of the Lycoming Kickoff Tournament on Saturday afternoon. Alfred (0-1-0, 0-0-0 E8) took an early 1-0 lead in the 30th minute as sophomore defenseman Nick Schneider (Liverpool, NY/Liverpool) bounced in a 40-yard free kick to give the Saxon the advantage. AU kept Marywood's offense in check for most of the game until 61st minute when Anthony Roma tied things up at 1-1 with a header assisted by Sean O'Day. Jonathan Tejada broke the tie less than nine minutes later with his first of two goals in the contest assisted by Anthony Kapp. Tejada sealed the victory for the Pacers in the 72nd minute off the throw in pass of teammate Nicholas Stoud. Freshman goal keeper Elliot Thorpe (Highlands Ranch, CO/Thunder Ridge) stared in net for the Saxons, playing 83 minutes allowing three goals and making four saves before being replaced by freshman net minder Christopher Desouza (Monmouth Junction, NJ/S. Brunswick) who finished the game with one save. John Albanese went the distance in goal for the Pacers making five saves. Alfred will be in action next on Sunday, August 31, as the face Centenary College in day two of the Lycoming Kickoff Tournament held in Williamsport, PA.