Saxons blanked by RPI 10/29/08



ALFRED, NY The Alfred University men's soccer team was shut out, 5-0, by visiting RPI on Wednesday evening on Merrill Field.RPI (12-4-1, 6-1-0 LL) struck first 3:45 into the contest when Kevin Swift headed in a corner kick from teammate Matt Hill, giving the Red Hawks an early 1-0 lead. Hill and Mike Long extended the lead to 3-0, scoring two goals before the half. Alfred (1-16-0, 0-6-0) struggled on both side of the ball as they were outshot, 24-6 (14-0 in the 1st half) and out-cornered 10-1. Swift and Hill connected again 10 minutes into the second period as Swift netted his second goal of the contest. Matt Kaliopoulos rounded out the scoring for the Red Hawks in the 66th minute, scoring on a pass from Julian Coy. Freshman goalies Elliot Thorpe (Highlands Ranch, CO/ThunderRidge) and Christopher Desouza (Monmouth Junction, NJ/S. Brunswick) combined to make 10 saves while RPI's Alex Penny and Alex Papageorgis each made two saves. Alfred plays next on Saturday, Nov. 1, at 7 p.m. as the Saxons host conference foe St. John Fisher in AU's home finale on Merrill Field.