

2007 Santiago Canyon College MEN'S SOCCER NEWS/UPDATES



SCC midfielder Carlos Chavez

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Six Members of the Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Team Earn OEC Honors

Orange, CA—Six members of the Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team earned Orange Empire Conference (OEC) honors highlighted by freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) who was named the conference's Most Valuable Player. Chavez, who played both offense and defense for the Hawks in 2007, finished the season with 12 goals and five assists.

SCC players earning First-Team All-OEC honors included sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) and freshmen Tyler Petry (Edison HS) and Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS). Casalnuovo led the team offensively with 16 goals, while Orriny recorded 87 saves in goal for the Hawks. Petry finished the season with four goals and three assists.

Sophomores Nathaniel Muraki (Villa Park HS) and Garr Persson (Foothill HS) were named to the All-OEC Second-Team. Persson finished with six goals and seven assists, while Muraki led the SCC defense with his steady play throughout the season.



Nov. 20, 2007

Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Suffers Overtime Loss to Top-Seeded Mt. San Antonio in Second Round of Regional Playoffs

Walnut, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team lost to top-seeded Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) 6-5 in overtime in the second round of the 2007 Southern California Regional Playoffs Tuesday evening at the Mt. SAC Soccer Field. The Hawks (No. 8-seed) finish their season with a 14-5-4 overall record.

The Mounties (21-0-2) took a 2-0 lead to begin the game before SCC freshman Tyler Petry (Edison HS) scored on a breakaway to make it 2-1 at the break. Sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill HS) later tied the game at 2-2 five minutes into the second half.

Mt. SAC quickly made it a 4-2 contest, but SCC freshmen Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) and Eric Roman (Foothill HS) each found the net late in the contest to send the game into overtime.

The Mounties again took a two goal lead in the first overtime at 6-4. Sophomore Andrew Casco (Tesoro HS) scored on a corner kick five minutes into the second overtime, but it wasn't enough as SCC was eliminated from postseason play.

SCC showed significant improvement this season under first-year Head Coach Wade Fraser. The Hawks finished third in the Orange Empire Conference with an 8-3-3 record and qualified for the playoffs for the first time in the history of the program.



Nov. 17, 2007

Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Defeats Southwestern on Penalty Kicks to Advance to Second Round of Playoffs

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated Southwestern College 6-5 on penalty kicks in the first round of the 2007 Southern California Regional Playoffs Saturday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field. The No. 8-seeded Hawks will next face top-seeded Mt. San Antonio College (Mt. SAC) on Tuesday, Nov. 20 in Walnut.

With no score at the end of regulation, the Hawks (14-4-4) went up 1-0 in the first overtime as a corner kick by sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) was knocked into the net by a Southwestern defender. The Jaguars (12-4-6) tied the game at 1-1 in the final seconds of the first overtime on an own goal to send the contest into the second 15 minute overtime. Neither team was able to break the tie in the second overtime sending the game into penalty kicks.

After both squads made five of their first six penalty shots, sophomore Andrew Casco (Tesoro HS) beat Southwestern goalkeeper Jessy Martinez to give the Hawks a one shot advantage. Midfielder Oscar Ramirez was unable to score on SCC goalkeeper David Aguilar (Orange HS) on the seventh penalty shot for Southwestern giving the Hawks their first playoff victory in college history.

Aguilar finished with five saves in goal for SCC, while Martinez made six saves in the loss for the No. 9-seeded Jaguars. The Hawks second round playoff game against the Mounties is schedule for 6 p.m. on the Mt. SAC Soccer Field.



SCC defender Ruben Trujillo

Nov. 8, 2007

Hawks Defeat Riverside 3-2 in Final Orange Empire Conference Game

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated visiting Riverside Community College (RCC) 3-2 in its final Orange Empire Conference (OEC) game of the season Thursday evening at the SCC Soccer Field. The Hawks improved their overall record to 13-4-4 and finish conference play with an 8-3-3 record.

SCC jumped out to 1-0 lead in the 20th minute as sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill HS) tapped in a shot from close range after freshman Tyler Petry (Edison HS) sent a cross inside the box. The Tigers (10-8-1, 7-6-1 OEC) tied the game at 1-1 in the first five seconds of the second half on a shot from midfield by Arnulfo Sanchez.

Petry stole a pass inside the Riverside box in the 56th minute and beat RCC goalkeeper Gabriel Esqueda with a low shot inside the right post to give the Hawks a 2-1 lead. Freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) made it 3-1 in the 77th minute as he found the back of the net on a penalty kick. SCC defender Nathan Johnston (El Toro HS) was pulled down inside the box moments earlier to set up Chavez.

RCC found the net in the 89th minute to pull within a goal, but the final whistle sounded seconds later to end the game. Esqueda finished with eight saves for the Tigers. Goalkeepers Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS) and Carson Hedrick (Newport Harbor HS) combined to make four saves for SCC.



Nov. 6, 2007

Chavez Scores Two Goals to Lead SCC Men's Soccer Past Fullerton

Fullerton, CA—Sophomore Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) scored two goals to lead the Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team to a 4-2 road victory over Fullerton College Tuesday afternoon in an Orange Empire Conference (OEC) contest at the Fullerton Soccer Field.

Sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill HS) added a goal and an assist for the Hawks (12-4-4, 7-3-3 OEC), while freshman Eric Roman (Foothill HS) chipped in with one goal. Freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS) made four saves for SCC in the win.

The Hawks will take on Riverside College in their final conference game on Thursday, Nov. 8 at the SCC Soccer Field. Game time is scheduled for 3 p.m.



Nov. 5, 2007

Hawks Score Four Second Half Goals to Defeat Cypress 5-1

Cypress, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team scored four second half goals to defeat Cypress College 5-1 in an Orange Empire Conference (OEC) game Monday afternoon at the Cypress Soccer Field.

Sophomore Marco Casalinuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) scored three goals to lead the Hawks (11-4-4, 6-3-3 OEC). Freshmen David Aguilar (Orange HS) and Eric Roman (Foothill HS) each added a goal and an assist for SCC, while goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS) finished with three saves.

The Hawks return to action on Tuesday, Nov. 6 to take on Fullerton College. Game time is scheduled for 3 p.m. on the Fullerton Soccer Field.



Garr Persson, Marco Casalinuovo and Carlos Chavez prepare to take a free kick against Golden West College.

Oct. 29, 2007

SCC Men's Soccer Finishes in 2-2 Tie Against Golden West

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team played to a 2-2 tie against Golden West College Monday afternoon in an Orange Empire Conference (OEC) game at the SCC Soccer Field.

The Hawks (10-3-3, 5-2-2 OEC) went up 1-0 in the 20th minute as sophomore Marco Casalinuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) followed his own shot with a blast that skipped off the bottom of the crossbar and into the net.

The Rustlers (5-6-6, 3-2-5 OEC) scored in the 27th and 40th minutes on goals by Richard Nulanz and Luis Gallardo to take a 2-1 lead into halftime.

SCC freshman midfielder Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) evened the match with a goal in the 81st minute to round out the scoring.

Sophomore Garr Perrson (Foothill HS) sent a ball in front of the goal that deflected to Chavez who was able to beat Golden West goalkeeper Brent Reis with a low shot.

Freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny finished with two saves for SCC, while Reis made four stops for the Rustlers.

The Hawks will take on Irvine Valley College on Tuesday, Oct. 30 in their next match. Game time is scheduled for 3 p.m. at the IVC Soccer Field.



David Aguilar (middle) celebrates with teammates after scoring the game-winning goal against OCC.

Oct. 19, 2007

SCC Men's Soccer Scores Goal in 85th Minute to Defeat Orange Coast College 3-2

Orange, CA—Freshman forward David Aguilar (Orange HS) scored a goal in the 85th minute and freshman midfielder Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) notched two earlier goals to give the Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team a 3-2 victory over Orange Coast College (OCC) Friday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field.

After Orange Coast took the lead in the 25th minute, Chavez tied the game for the Hawks (10-3-2, 5-2-1 OEC) in the 37th minute with a header as he followed his own shot that had deflected off the goalpost. The Pirates (6-6-4, 2-4-2 OEC) went up 2-1 just before halftime as Brian Siemonema finished a corner kick with a header past SCC goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS).

It didn't take long for SCC to even the score after halftime as Chavez tied it up in the 47th minute when he beat OCC goalkeeper Dane Fernandez to a ball in front of the goal. Sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) tapped a pass through the Pirate defense up to Chavez who jumped in the air for the shot as Fernandez attempted to make a save.

The Hawks continued to pressure the OCC defense unsuccessfully until Aguilar scored the game-winner with five minutes remaining in the contest. Freshman Andrew Casco (Tesoro HS) sent a ball up to Aguilar who beat a defender and blasted a shot underneath the crossbar before being mugged by teammates in celebration.

Orriny finished with three saves in goal for SCC, while Fernandez made five saves for the Pirates. The Hawks will host Golden West College in their next contest on Tuesday, Oct. 23 at 3 p.m.



Oct. 16, 2007

SCC Men's Soccer Falls to Riverside 4-2

Norco, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team lost to Riverside College 4-2 in an Orange Empire Conference (OEC) game Tuesday afternoon at the Riverside Soccer Field (Norco).

Freshmen Andrew Casco (Tesoro HS) and Michael Greer (Villa Park HS) each scored a goal for the the Hawks (9-3-2, 4-2-1 OEC) in the loss. Sophomore Garr Perrson (Foothill HS) picked up both assists for SCC, while freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS) made seven saves.

Arnulfo Sanchez finished with three goals and goalie Arnulfo Esqueda made five saves to lead the Tigers (7-4-1, 4-2-1 OEC).

The Hawks return home to take on Orange Coast College on Friday, Oct. 19 in their next contest. Game time is set for 3 p.m.



SCC forward Garr Persson

Oct. 12, 2007

Hawks Improve to 4-1-1 in Conference with Victory over Fullerton

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated Fullerton College 3-1 in an Orange Empire Conference (OEC) game Friday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field.

The Hawks (9-2-2, 4-1-1 OEC) took the lead four minutes into the game as sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) chipped in a shot from close range after taking a cross from sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill HS). Freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) gave SCC a 2-0 lead in the 10th minute as he followed a shot by Ruben Trujillo (Newport Harbor HS) that deflected off the crossbar.

Casalnuovo later scored his team-leading 12th goal of the season to give the Hawks a 3-0 lead in the 48th minute on an assist from freshman Tyler Petry (Edison HS). The Hornets (5-5-4, 0-4-2 OEC) found the net in the 55th minute on a goal by midfielder Cuhautemoc Reynoso to make it 3-1 and round out the scoring.

Fullerton goalkeeper Cesar Ortega made nine saves for the visitors, while SCC goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS) finished with four saves.

The Hawks travel to take on Riverside College in their next contest on Tuesday, Oct. 16 at the Riverside Soccer Field (Norco Campus). Game time is set for 3 p.m.



SCC goalkeeper Alan Orriny jumps to make a save against Santa Ana

Oct. 9, 2007

Hawks Drop First Conference Game to Santa Ana

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team dropped its first conference game of the season to visiting Santa Ana College (SAC) 2-0 Tuesday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field. The Hawks fall to 8-2-2 on the season and 3-1-1 in the Orange Empire Conference (OEC).

The Dons (8-4-2, 3-1-1 OEC) notched their first goal in the 23rd minute on a corner kick by midfielder Pedro Hernandez that deflected off an SCC defender and into the net. Forward Juan Agripino gave SAC a 2-0 lead five minutes later as he struck a 25-yard shot to the top right corner of the goal above the outstretched arms of SCC goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS).

The Hawks continued to battle for the remainder of the contest, but the SAC defense and goalkeeper Julian Hernandez held on for the shutout. Hernandez finished with three saves for the Dons, while Orriny had eight stops for SCC.

SCC will look to get back on track in its next contest against Fullerton College on Friday, Oct. 12 at the SCC Soccer Field. Game time is scheduled for 3 p.m.



SCC midfielder Carlos Chavez looks for an opening against Irvine Valley

Oct. 5, 2007

Hawks Remain Unbeaten in Conference with 2-0 Win over Irvine Valley

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated Irvine Valley College (IVC) 2-0 Friday evening in an Orange Empire Conference (OEC) contest at the SCC Soccer Field. The Hawks improved to 8-1-2 on the season and remain undefeated in the OEC with a 3-0-1 record.

After a scoreless first half, sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) broke the tie in the 59th minute with a left-footed shot from 15-yards that sailed into the net past IVC goalkeeper Mikhail Radchuk. Freshman defender Rubin Trujillo (Newport Harbor HS) sent a long pass up to Casalnuovo moments earlier that skipped through two defenders.

The Lasers (6-3-2, 1-1-2 OEC) had scoring opportunities late in the second half, but the SCC defense led by sophomore Nathaniel Muraki (Villa Park HS) and freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS) denied any shot of an equalizer.

Freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) sealed the victory for the Hawks in the 89th minute with a goal just before the final whistle. Orriny finished with four saves for SCC, while Radchuk finished with five saves in the loss.

The Hawks will look to continue their win streak on Tuesday, Oct. 14 against Santa Ana College. Game time is scheduled for 3 p.m. at the SCC Soccer Field.



Oct. 2, 2007

Casalnuovo Scores Hat Trick to Lead Hawks in 5-2 Victory over Cypress

Orange, CA—Sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth HS) finished with three goals to lead the Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team to a 5-2 Orange Empire Conference (OEC) victory over visiting Cypress College Tuesday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field.

Freshman Ryan Barstad (Esperanza HS) put the Hawks (7-1-2, 2-0-1 OEC) on the scoreboard in the 16th minute after taking a pass from sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill HS) and beating Cypress goalkeeper Giovanni Guzman near the top of the box. Casalnuovo quickly put SCC in front 3-0 with goals in the 29th and 32nd minutes on a pair of assists from freshman Eric Roman (Foothill HS). Casalnuovo, who leads the Hawks with nine goals on the season, added a third goal in the 56th minute of the second half to pick up the hat-trick.

Roman rounded out the scoring for SCC as he finished with one goal to go along with his two assists. Freshmen goalkeepers Alan Orriny (Esperanza HS) and Ryan Bartlett (Esperanza HS) combined for three saves for the Hawks.

After a scoreless first half by the visiting team, Alfredo Lenon and Gerardo Garcia each scored goals in the second half for the Chargers (3-6-2, 0-2-1 OEC). Guzman and Carlos Gutierrez each finished with four saves in goal for Cypress.

The Hawks will host Irvine Valley College in their next game on Friday, Sept. 5 at the SCC Soccer Field. Game time is scheduled for 3 p.m.



Sept. 28, 2007

SCC Men's Soccer Plays to a 2-2 Tie Against Golden West

Huntington Beach, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team played to a 2-2 tie against Golden West College in an Orange Empire Conference (OEC) game Friday evening at the Golden West Soccer Field.

After trailing 1-0 at halftime, the Hawks (6-1-2, 1-0-1 OEC) quickly evened the score at 1-1 on a goal by freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills HS) in the 47th minute. SCC later took the lead as freshman Tyler Petry (Edison HS) set up sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill HS) for a goal in the 60th minute. The Rustlers (3-4-2, 1-0-1 OEC) were able to score the equalizer to send the game into a tie.

The Hawks return to SCC for four consecutive home games starting with Cypress College on Tuesday, Oct. 2 at 3 p.m.



Sept. 25, 2007

Hawks Defeat Orange Coast 2-0 in Orange Empire Conference Opener

Costa Mesa, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated Orange Coast College 2-0 in its Orange Empire Conference opener Tuesday afternoon at the OCC Soccer Complex.

Freshman Tyler Petry (Edison H.S.) gave the Hawks (6-1-1, 1-0 OEC) a 1-0 lead in the 11th minute on an assist from freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills H.S.). Minutes later, Chavez set up sophomore midfielder Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth H.S.) from close range to give SCC a 2-0 lead heading into halftime.

Freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza H.S.) and the SCC defense held on in the second half to preserve the shutout, dropping Orange Coast to 4-3-2 overall and 0-1 in the OEC. Orriny finished with eight saves in goal for the Hawks.

SCC will next travel to Golden West College on Friday, Sept. 28 for a 7 p.m. game against the Rustlers.



Sept. 21, 2007

SCC Men's Soccer Improves to 5-1-1 Heading into Conference Play

Santa Clarita, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated College of the Canyons by a 5-2 margin Friday evening in a non-conference game held at Cougar Stadium. With the win, the Hawks improved to 5-1-1 heading into their Orange Empire Conference opener.

Sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill H.S.) and freshmen Andrew Casco (Tesoro H.S.), David Aguilar (Orange H.S.), Tyler Petry (Edison H.S.) and Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills H.S.) each finished with a goal for SCC.

Aguilar also added two assists for the Hawks who will face Orange Coast College on Tuesday, Sept. 25 in their first conference contest.

SCC trailed 2-1 at halftime and later tied the game at 2-2 in the 70th minute. The Hawks scored three goals in the final 15 minutes of play to put the game out of reach. Freshman goalkeepers Alan Orriny (Esperanza H.S.) and Ryan Bartlett (Eperanza H.S.) combined for three saves in the win for SCC.



Sept. 19, 2007

Hawks Defeat Moorpark 3-1 in First Road Game of Season

Moorpark, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team went on the road for the first time this season and came away with a 3-1 victory over host Moorpark College Wednesday afternoon in a non-conference game at the Moorpark Soccer Field.

Sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth H.S.) scored two goals to lead the Hawks (4-1-1), while freshman Andrew Casco (Tesoro H.S.) finished with a goal and an assist. Freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza H.S.) recorded six saves in the win for SCC.

The Hawks will play on the road again in their next contest against College of the Canyons on Friday, Sept. 21. Game time is scheduled for 6 p.m.



Sept. 12, 2007

Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Victorious over San Diego Mesa

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team scored two second half goals to come from behind and defeat visiting San Diego Mesa College Wednesday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field.

The Olympians opened the scoring in the 27th minute as midfielder Jose Garcia finished a cross with a header that snuck past SCC goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza H.S.). Despite chances throughout the half and a free kick from sophomore Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth H.S.) that hit the post, the Hawks trailed 1-0 at the break.

Casalnuovo was able to find the net in the 56th minute as a determined SCC team continued to pressure in the second half. Freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills H.S.) skillfully dribbled through three San Diego Mesa defenders and found Casalnuovo in front for a chip shot to tie the game. Chavez later gave the Hawks the lead in the 74th minute as he struck a throw in by Nathan Johnston inside the left post.

Orriny made a terrific save late from point blank range and the SCC defense held on for the remainder to improve to 3-1-1 on the season.

The Hawks will travel to Moorpark College on Wednesday, Sept. 19 for their first road contest of the season. Game time is set for 3 p.m.



Sept. 10, 2007

Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Drops Game To Rio Hondo

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team suffered its first loss of the season to visiting Rio Hondo College, 3-1, Monday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field.

Forward Celso Alvarez scored goals in the 2nd and 16th minutes as the Roadrunners took a 2-0 lead into halftime. Marcos Medina gave Rio Hondo a 3-0 lead early in the second half as he followed a deflection off the goalpost.

Freshman midfielder Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills H.S.) put the Hawks on the scoreboard in the 78th minute as he connected on a penalty shot to the right corner. Freshman Ryan Carroll (El Modena H.S.) was dragged down by a Rio Hondo defender inside the box moments earlier, setting up Chavez for the penalty.

SCC was unable to get any closer despite a few late chances on goal, dropping its record to 2-1-1. Freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza H.S.) finished with five saves in the first half for the Hawks, while freshman Ryan Bartlett (Esperanza H.S.) took over in the second half and made one save.

SCC will look to rebound against San Diego Mesa in its next contest on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at SCC Soccer Field. Game time is scheduled for 6 p.m.



Sept. 7, 2007

Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Plays to 1-1 Tie Against Southwestern College

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team and visiting Southwestern College played to a 1-1 tie in a game filled with whistles Friday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field.

The Jaguars (1-0-1) got on the scoreboard in the 36th minute of the first half when forward Ruben Rodriguez chased down a long ball and was able to beat SCC goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza H.S.) with a hard shot from the right.

After many close scoring opportunities in the second half, the Hawks (2-0-1) tied the game on a goal by freshman midfielder Marcelo Aguirre (Santa Ana H.S.) in the 80th minute. Aguirre dribbled through two Southwestern defenders and drilled a shot inside the left goalpost from 25-yards to the delight of the home crowd.

The referees got involved often in the second half as both teams finished the game with only nine players. Orriny finished with three saves in goal for the Hawks, who will host Rio Hondo on Monday, Sept. 10 at the SCC Soccer Field. Game time is set for 4 p.m.



Sept. 4, 2007

Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Blanks Cuyamaca College To Open Season 2-0

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated visiting Cuyamaca College 2-0 on Tuesday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field to remain undefeated on the season.

Sophomore midfielder Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth H.S.) gave the Hawks a 1-0 lead in the 10th minute as he was on the receiving end of a great cross from freshman Carlos Chavez (Sunny Hills H.S.). Casalnuovo sent a header on goal that deflected off the Cuyamaca goalkeeper and into the right corner of the goal.

Sophomore Garr Persson (Foothill H.S.) put the Hawks in front 2-0 early in the second half as he finished a Ryan Barstad (Esperanza H.S.) long ball with a header. Freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza H.S.) and the SCC defense played solid throughout to record the shutout. Orriny finished with three saves for the Hawks (2-0).

SCC will host Southwestern College in their next game on Friday, Sept. 7 at the SCC Soccer Field. Game time is schedule for 4 p.m.



Aug. 30, 2007

Santiago Canyon Men's Soccer Victorious in Season Opener

Orange, CA—The Santiago Canyon College (SCC) men's soccer team defeated visiting Chaffey College 2-1 in its season opener Thursday afternoon at the SCC Soccer Field to give new head coach Wade Fraser his first win.

After a scoreless first half, the Hawks (1-0) got on the board in the 55th minute when freshman forward Eric Roman (Foothill High School) sent a cross in front that deflected off a Chaffey defender and into the net. The Panthers (1-1) answered back in the 64th minute on a goal from Tim Yancy that beat SCC goalkeeper Ryan Bartlett (Esperanza High School) inside the left post.

Sophomore midfielder Marco Casalnuovo (St. Elizabeth High School) put the Hawks in front for good minutes later on a shot that sailed into the left corner of the goal past Chaffey goalkeeper Alain Tadeo. Casalnuovo took a pass from forward David Aguilar (Orange High School) and faked out a Panther defender to find the net on a left footed shot from 20-yards.

"This team is capable of more, but it feels great to get the win," said Fraser. "We can build on this momentum heading into the rest of the season."

Freshman goalkeeper Alan Orriny (Esperanza High School) finished with three saves in the first half for SCC, while Bartlett finished the second half with one save. The Hawks will host Cuyamaca College in their next game on Tuesday, Sept. 4 at the SCC Soccer Field. Game time is scheduled for 4 p.m.