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## **GEORGE FOX MEN'S SOCCER**

(Overall 1-3: Home 1-1, Road 0-0, Neutral 0-2 / NWC 0-0: Home 0-0, Road 0-0)

### **HIGHLIGHTS:**

**Bruins Split Home-Opening Pair with Evergreen State and Warner Pacific  
Besser NWC Co-Defensive Player of the Week; Dougherty HM for Offensive Player**

### **THIS WEEK:**

No games scheduled.

### **LAST WEEK (Game recap below):**

Sept. 13 – at George Fox 1, Evergreen State 0

Sept. 14 – Warner Pacific 3, at George Fox 1

### **NORTHWEST CONFERENCE (www.nwcsports.com) -- Standings thru Sept. 15**

<i>Team (Pre-season poll)</i>	<i>NWC</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>Pts</i>	<i>GF/GA</i>	<i>All</i>	<i>Pct.</i>	<i>GF/GA</i>
Linfield Wildcats (3)	0-0	.000	-	0/0	3-0	1.000	10/2
Pacific Boxers (7)	0-0	.000	-	0/0	3-0	1.000	5/0
Puget Sound Loggers (2)	0-0	.000	-	0/0	3-1	.750	10/3
Pacific Lutheran Lutes (6)	0-0	.000	-	0/0	2-1	.667	4/3
Whitman Missionaries (8)	0-0	.000	-	0/0	2-1	.667	9/10
Whitworth Pirates (1)	0-0	.000	-	0/0	3-2	.600	11/5
Willamette Bearcats (4)	0-0	.000	-	0/0	1-2	.333	7/8
<b>George Fox Bruins (5)</b>	<b>0-0</b>	<b>.000</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>0/0</b>	<b>1-3</b>	<b>.250</b>	<b>3/10</b>

**COACH MANFRED TSCHAN** (Teacher's College, Hofwil, Switzerzlerland '76) is 161-93-10 (.629) in his 14th season at George Fox, and 225-122-19 (.641) in his 20th season overall as a head coach.

### **BRUIN BITS:**

#### **\* Besser Wins NWC Co-Defensive Player of the Week; Dougherty HM for Offensive Honor**

**Ron Besser** (Sr., Kennewick, Wash.) played only one of the Bruins' two games as goalkeeper last weekend, but it was an outstanding performance that earned him Northwest Conference Co-Defensive Player of the Week for Sept. 9-15. Besser saved all four shots on goal that were taken against him and posted his first shutout of the season as the Bruins took their home opener 1-0 over Evergreen State on Friday. Besser, who ranked 3rd in the NWC in saves last year with 110 and tied for the league lead in shutouts with 5, recorded his 6th career shutout, which is 5th on the Bruins' all-time shutout list. Besser shares this week's honor with keeper Ryan Stanley of Pacific, who had two shutouts and nine saves as the Boxer's defeated Cascade 3-0 and Humboldt State 1-0.

Forward **Derek Dougherty** (Jr., Springfield, Ore.) scored both Bruins goals in the 1-0 win over Evergreen State, scoring 22 seconds into the game, and a 3-1 loss to Warner Pacific, earning Honorable Mention for NWC Offensive Player of the Week. That honor went to Ricardo Sanchez of Willamette, who scored a hat trick in a 5-3 win over Western Baptist.

**LAST WEEK'S GAMES:**

**9/13 – GEORGE FOX 1, EVERGREEN STATE 0: First-Minute Goal All Bruins Need to Defeat Geoducks**

NEWBERG, Ore. – Taking the opening tap down the right sideline, Jesse Johnson hit a perfect cross to Derek Dougherty in front of the goal for a score 22 seconds into the game, and that was all the scoring as the George Fox University Bruins edged the Evergreen State Geoducks 1-0 in non-conference men's soccer action Friday afternoon (Sept. 13) here at Morse Field.

It was the home opener for the Bruins, and their first win of the season as they improved to 1-2. The Geoducks fell to 1-3 in losing their seventh straight meeting with the Bruins.

The rest of the game was a tight defensive struggle as neither team managed many decent shots at the goal. George Fox took 15 shots, but only two others besides Dougherty's score were on goal, and Tommy Kneeshaw stopped those for Evergreen. The Geoducks took 14 shots, four on goal, all saved by Bruin keeper Ron Besser.

**9/14 – WARNER PACIFIC 3, GEORGE FOX 1: Bruins' Lone Goal Not Enough for a Win vs. Knights**

NEWBERG, Ore. – For the second straight game, Derek Dougherty scored the only goal for the George Fox University Bruins Saturday afternoon (Sept. 14) here at Morse Field, but unlike in Friday's 1-0 win over Evergreen State, this one was not enough for victory as the Warner Pacific College Knights posted a 3-1 triumph over the Bruins.

George Fox fell to 1-3 with the setback and had their five-game winning streak in the Warner Pacific series snapped. The Knights, gaining their first victory of the season, are also 1-3.

Jon Reyes connected on a header off a feed from Aaron Cleveland at 17:56 to give the Knights a 1-0 lead, and Cleveland passed to Cameron Marvin for a fast break goal at 34:04 to make it 2-0 before the half. Gavin Shearer iced the game for the Knights with a goal at the 53:16 mark with an assist from Cameron, offsetting Dougherty's score at 79:54 on a perfect cross from the left side by Craig Laughland.

Warner Pacific maintained control throughout most of the game, taking 32 shots (10 on goal) to only 11 (2 on goal) for George Fox. Bryce Warren made seven saves for the Bruins.

# ***GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY***

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## **8/2 -- Bruins Seeking to Replace Lost Offense for 18-Game Men's Soccer Schedule**

**NEWBERG, Ore.** -- With First Team All-Northwest Conference performers Merrick Brownlee and Bryan Erickson, two of the league's top scorers, gone by graduation, the George Fox University Bruins may be looking at defense to carry them through the 18-game schedule that awaits them in the upcoming 2002 men's soccer season.

The Bruins, who were 10-7-1 overall and tied for second in the NWC at 9-5 in 2001, were the conference leaders in scoring (44 goals, 39 assists, 127 points), with Brownlee (10-13-33) and Erickson (11-7-29) contributing almost half the points. The Bruins will turn to seniors Nick Chapman (five goals) and Jesse Johnson (four goals) and junior Derek Dougherty (five goals off the bench) among 10 returning letterwinners and six returning starters to fill in. Ron Besser (110 saves in goal) and starting defenders Greg Cobb, Andrew Paine, and Chris Waters are back to give the Bruins a solid defense.

The season kicks off Tuesday, Sept. 3, with a home exhibition match against Clark College, the community college in Vancouver, Wash., then gets down to brass tacks with neutral-site games against California-Santa Cruz and Northwest Sept. 6-7 at the University of Puget Sound in Tacoma, Wash. Home non-conference games against Evergreen State and Warner Pacific will prepare the Bruins for the 14-game conference schedule to follow.

Veteran coach Manfred Tschan enters his 14th season with the Bruins, sporting a record at George Fox of 160-90-10, and an overall record in 19 seasons of coaching of 224-119-19.

The complete 2002 George Fox men's soccer schedule is attached, and may be also found at the University web site at [www.georgefox.edu/athletics](http://www.georgefox.edu/athletics). Fans are encouraged to call the GFU sports hotline at 503-554-3868 for the latest results and updates on Bruin athletic teams.

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