



Game 13: No. 5 Virginia at Virginia Tech
 Wednesday, April 7 • 4 p.m.
 Blacksburg, Va. • Thompson Field

Game 14: American at Virginia Tech
 Saturday, April 10 • 1 p.m.
 Blacksburg, Va. • Thompson Field

The Hokies will wrap up their home schedule this week, first playing host to No. 5 Virginia on Wednesday and later, for Senior Day, hosting American. The Hokies recently broke a two-game winning streak after dropping a game to a strong North Carolina team. Tech will look to bounce back this week and improve on its record at Thompson Field.

Live stats for both games: www.hokiesports.com/lacrosse/live

Scouting Report: Virginia

Virginia enters the midweek game as the fifth-ranked team in the nation, boasting a 10-3 record after defeating Harvard at home, 14-9, on Monday. Virginia also sits at 3-1 in conference play this year, good for second in the league.

Leading the Cavaliers' offense is Kaitlin Duff with 24 goals and Josie Owens with 15 assists. Both players are part of a group of five Cavaliers that have tallied 20+ goals and double-digit assists on the year. In goal for Virginia has been Lauren Berner, who owns an 8-1 record, having made 74 saves.

Scouting Report: American

American enters this weekend's game 5-7 on the season, playing at Navy this week before traveling to Blacksburg. Amanda Makoid leads the Eagles' offense this year with 22 goals, while Lauren Schoenberger posted a team-leading 13 assists on the season. Kaska Kominski has manned the pipes for the Eagles, claiming a 4-5 record and making 59 saves.

Last Time Out

The Hokies had their first week of rest since the beginning of the season last week, before facing a very talented and powerful North Carolina team. The Tar Heels entered the game with the No. 3 national ranking and showed they were deserving of the spot, scoring two goals in less than 30 seconds and tallying 10 in the first half before Tech could even put one on the board. The Heels took a 10-1 lead into the half and finished the game with a 19-3 victory.

Freshman Brooke Martin had her best game of the year and scored two goals against the Heels while her classmate, Alex Gale, made six saves in goal.

Looking Ahead

The Hokies will enter the final week of the regular season after concluding home play. Tech will travel to Longwood for a midweek match up, before shipping out for conference-leader Maryland on Saturday.

2010 Schedule 4-8 Overall, 0-3 ACC		
2/13	DREXEL	L, 9-13
2/20	PRESBYTERIAN	W, 19-5
2/24	at James Madison	L, 3-16
2/27	at George Mason	L, 6-11
3/7	at Geo. Washington	L, 8-9
3/11	at CCSU	W, 16-4
3/13	at Boston College*	L, 9-14
3/17	#3 DUKE*	L, 6-18
3/20	#18 WILLIAM & MARY	L, 16-23
3/24	DAVIDSON	W, 22-8
3/27	at Old Dominion	W, 13-12
4/2	at #3 North Carolina*	L, 19-3
4/7	#5 VIRGINIA*	4 p.m.
4/10	AMERICAN	1 p.m.
4/14	at Longwood	4 p.m.
4/17	at Maryland*	Noon
4/22-25	ACC Tournament (College Park, Md.)	TBA

Bold denotes home matches
 * Denotes ACC opponent

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Series Info: Virginia

The Cavaliers hold the series advantage over the Hokies, as Tech has never won in the previous 14 meetings. This midweek matchup will mark the seventh time that Virginia is ranked in the top-20 for the in-state, conference clash and, more specifically, the seventh time it has been ranked in the top-five. Last season the Cavaliers topped the Hokies, 19-3, in the regular season and 13-5 in the first round of the ACC Tournament.

American

Tech has the upper hand in its all-time series against the Eagles, winning five of the nine games, and three of four at home. The Hokies are currently in the midst of a four-game winning streak against American and will look to extend that streak over the weekend.

ACC In the Polls

The Atlantic Coast Conference ranks five teams in the national polls this week. Maryland is the highest-ranked conference team, sitting at No. 2 in the IWFLCA and Inside Lacrosse polls. North Carolina is next in line, ranking third in both polls. Duke currently holds the fourth spot in the IWFLCA and fifth in the Inside Lacrosse poll, while Virginia ranks fifth and fourth in each respective poll. Rounding out the conference rankings is Boston College, who holds the No. 19 position according to Inside Lacrosse.

Maryland (12-0) remains the only unbeaten team in the league, taking down two top-10 opponents over the past week. Virginia and North Carolina also went 2-0 over the last week of play, each earning a conference victory and defeating Old Dominion. Duke split the past week of play, falling to top-ranked Northwestern but bouncing back against Davidson. Boston College and Virginia Tech finished the week 0-1, each falling in conference play.

Player Spotlight



Brooke Martin
Freshman Midfielder

Martin has become one of the most notable newcomers on this year's squad. Though she has not put up stellar numbers, she leads her class in nearly every category and recently tallied her first-career, multi-point game against No. 3 North Carolina, scoring two goals. The Hunt Valley, Md., native leads or ties all Tech freshmen with six goals, two assists, eight points, nine ground balls and five caused turnovers on the year.

Martin has yet to make a start in her collegiate premiere but has seen playing time in all 12 games.

Same Old, Same Old

Junior captain Allie Emala led the team in draw controls last season and has made her claim this season, as she has won 68 draw controls through the team's 12 games. Jessica Nonn is next in the statistical line for the category with 23.

Scoring Specialist

Sophomore Jessica Nonn has spearheaded the Hokie offense this season as the team's leading scorer, leading the team in scoring in six of its 12 games. Nonn has scored in every game so far this season for the Hokies and has tallied 26 goals on the year.

Lending a Helping Hand

Juniors Caitlyn Wier and Allie Emala currently lead the team in assists with 11 apiece and are also in the top-three on the squad in scoring. With one more assist, Wier will pass her career total (12) heading into this season, and Emala needs just four more assists to match her 15 from last season.

Rotanz's Hot Hands

Sophomore attacker Ryan Rotanz has had the hot hands for the Hokies as of late. With increased playing time coming against George Washington, Rotanz has answered the challenge. The Salem, Va., native matched her season total from last year in just two games and has doubled that seven-goal mark with 14 scores so far this season.

Homecoming

Of the 31 members of this year's lacrosse team, 27 of them will play at least one game in their home state this season. Of the 27 players, just eight are from Virginia, so 19 athletes will take advantage of the busy schedule that has the Hokies visiting five different states by season's end.

Freshman Charlotte Marsh had the chance to return close to home this season. The Hokies concluded their spring break road trip and opened ACC play at Boston College, just 25 miles from her native Reading, Mass.

Alex Gale (Cicero, N.Y.), Sarah Fletcher (Pittsburgh, Pa.), Liz Carpenter (Lewes, Del.) and Emile Hunter (Cincinnati, Ohio) are the only members of the squad that will not have the chance to compete in their home states this season.

Pronunciation Guide

Jamie ARIOSIA air-ee-osa
Allie EMALA emma-la
EMILE Hunter emily

Libby ROSEBRO rose-bro
Kristin SEMONES sem-oh-nes
Julie WOLFINGER wolf-in-ger

2010 Statistical Leaders

Goals

Jessica Nonn	26
Allie Emala	23
Caitlyn Wier	17

Assists

Caitlyn Wier	11
Allie Emala	11
Shannon Bone	8

Points

Allie Emala	34
Caitlyn Wier	28
Jessica Nonn	28

Groundballs

Jessica Nonn	35
Allie Emala	20
Liz Carpenter	19

Draw Controls

Allie Emala	68
Jessica Nonn	23
Liz Carpenter	11

Saves

Alex Gale	47
Alexis Carey	41

Scoring Streaks

Player	Games
Jessica Nonn	12
<small>(Drexel, PC, JMU, GMU, GW, CCSU, BC, Duke, W&M, Dav., ODU, UNC)</small>	

Fresh Start

Numerous members of this year's freshman class have seen significant playing time so far this season and are already making an impact. The team is dependent on two members of the freshman class in net and both players have seen about equal playing time.

Thus far, three Hokie newcomers have tallied at least six points as Julia Heaps (five goals, two assists), Brooke Martin (six goals, two assists) and Emile Hunter (five goals, two assists) have hit the mark, while Kate Sistare has also accumulated three goals and one assist on the season.

Open Net

The battle for the starting job in net is still wide open, as the Hokies return no experience in net this season, though last season's veteran keeper Kari Morrison remains with the team as a volunteer coach to help transition the young talent.

Both Alexis Carey and Alex Gale have played in nearly every game so far this season, though Gale has seen the majority of playing time as Carey has been sidelined with illness. Gale has made seven starts on the year, while Carey has made five. The pair has made a combined 88 saves on the year while sharing the duties in net.

Katelyn Luker is also in the running for playing time in net. Luker has seen time in goal against Presbyterian College and Davidson.

Home Sweet Home

Due to the excessive winter weather this season, the Hokies were forced to play their first two home games on Moseley Practice Field, which is located just behind Thompson Field. Tech is 2-3 at home this year, 1-2 at Thompson Field. The Hokies will return home and wrap up play at Thompson Field next week when they host Virginia and American.

Family Affair

Though many of the players on Tech's roster are familiar faces since many attended the same high school or competed against each other before arriving at Tech, this year's roster also includes two sets of siblings. Junior defender Katie Rotanz has already spent a year at the collegiate level with sister and sophomore attacker Ryan Rotanz on the squad, while sophomore defender Christina Patten was recently joined by younger sister and fellow defender Kimberly Patten this season.

First Things First

The Hokies played two teams for the first time ever this season. Tech already defeated Presbyterian College in its first ever matchup with the Blue Hose and took on Central Connecticut State for the first time during the spring break road trip, earning another victory.

Record Setters

Two current players sit among the program's all-time best as they have already made their mark in the school's record books. Junior attacker Allie Emala currently ranks second all-time at Tech with 163 career draw controls and recently topped her single-season Tech record of 63 draw controls in a season, as she has accumulated 66 so far this season.

After causing 28 turnovers and scooping up 52 ground balls in her freshman campaign, Jessica Nonn ranks fifth and second in each respective category.

VIRGINIA TECH Quick Facts

Location.....Blacksburg,Va.
 Nickname.....Hokies
 Colors.....Chicago Maroon & Burnt Orange
 Home Field.....Thompson Field
 Conference.....Atlantic Coast Conference
 Website.....www.hokiesports.com
 Head Coach.....Katrina Silva (Towson '93)
 Record at Tech (yrs.).....16-36 (Fourth)
 Career Record (yrs.).....120-104 (14th)
 2009 Overall Record.....7-10
 ACC Record/ Finish.....1-4 (Sixth)
 Starters Returning/ Lost.....10/2

VIRGINIA Quick Facts

Location.....Charlottesville,Va.
 Nickname.....Cavaliers,Wahoos,'Hoos
 Colors.....Orange & Blue
 Home Field.....Klockner Stadium
 Conference.....Atlantic Coast Conference
 Website.....www.VirginiaSports.com

AMERICAN Quick Facts

Location.....Washington,D.C.
 Nickname.....Eagles
 Colors.....Red,White & Blue
 Home Field.....Jacobs Field
 Conference.....Patriot League
 Website.....www.AUEagles.com

2010 Roster

No.	Name	Yr.	Pos.	Hometown	High School/College
00	Alex Gale	Fr.	G	Cicero, N.Y.	Cicero North-Syracuse
1	Emile Hunter	Fr.	A	Cincinnati, Ohio	Sycamore
2	Jacquelyn Duggins	Sr.	D	Charlottesville, Va.	Albemarle/Old Dominion
3	Christina Patten	So.	D	Chantilly, Va.	Chantilly
4	Tori O'Shea	So.	M	Richmond, Va.	Collegiate School
6	Shannon Bone	So.	A	Pylesville, Md.	North Harford
7	Dylan Garner	Jr.	M	Cornelius, N.C.	North Mecklenburg
9	Amanda Moschetti	So.	D	Fallston, Md.	Fallston
10	Charlotte Marsh	Fr.	M	Reading, Mass.	Reading Memorial
11	Ryan Rotanz	So.	A	Salem, Va.	Salem
12	Jessica Nonn	So.	M	Catonsville, Md.	Catonsville
13	Jamie Ariosa	Jr.	D	Parkton, Md.	Notre Dame Prep
14	Julie Wolfinger	So.	M	Finksburg, Md.	Westminster
15	Morgan Widlake	So.	A	Catonsville, Md.	Seton Keough
16	Sarah Fletcher	Fr.	A	Pittsburgh, Pa.	Upper St. Clair
17	Sam Voelker	Jr.	D	Timonium, Md.	Maryvale Prep
18	Liz Carpenter	Jr.	M	Lewes, Del.	Cape Henlopen
19	Mackenzie Hanley	So.	D	Parkton, Md.	Notre Dame Prep
20	Joanna Kiser	Jr.	D	Severna Park, Md.	Severna Park
21	Caitlyn Wier	Jr.	A	Cockeysville, Md.	Notre Dame Prep
22	Allie Emala	Jr.	A	Baltimore, Md.	Bryn Mawr
23	Katie Grogan	Fr.	M	Woodbine, Md.	Glenelg
24	Libby Rosebro	Fr.	A	Richmond, Va.	Collegiate
25	Brooke Martin	Fr.	M	Hunt Valley, Md.	Dulaney
26	Julia Heaps	Fr.	A	Street, Md.	North Harford
27	Kristin Semones	Fr.	D	Westminster, Md.	Westminster
31	Katelyn Luker	Fr.	G	Takoma Park, Md.	Montgomery Blair
32	Kate Sistare	Fr.	M	Ashburn, Va.	Broad Run
33	Kimberly Patten	Fr.	D	Chantilly, Va.	Chantilly
34	Alexis Carey	Fr.	G	Charlottesville, Va.	Albemarle
37	Katie Rotanz	Jr.	D	Salem, Va.	Salem

Head Coach: Katrina Silva

Assistant Coaches: Megan Burkner & Lynz Keys

Trainer: Angie Arndt

Around the ACC

Monday, April 5:

Virginia 14, Harvard 9

Wednesday, April 7:

Virginia at Virginia Tech 4 p.m.
Iona at Boston College 4 p.m.

Saturday, April 3:

Maryland at North Carolina 11 a.m.
Boston College at Duke 1 p.m.
American at Virginia Tech 1 p.m.

ACC Standings

Team	Overall (ACC) Rec.	Streak
Maryland	13-0 (3-0)	Won 13
Virginia	10-3 (3-1)	Won 4
North Carolina	10-1 (2-1)	Won 4
Duke	10-3 (1-2)	Won 1
Boston College	7-3 (1-3)	Lost 1
Virginia Tech	4-8 (0-3)	Lost 1



National Polls

IWLCA Division I

Rk. Team	Last Wk.
1. Northwestern (20)	1
2. Maryland	2
3. North Carolina	3
4. Duke	5
5. Virginia	4
6. Pennsylvania	6
7. Syracuse	8
8. Towson	7
9. Dartmouth	9
10. Vanderbilt	10
11. Stanford	11
12. James Madison	12
13. Loyola	13
14. Georgetown	15
15. Notre Dame	14
16. Hofstra	19
17. Boston University	18
18. Penn State	16
19. William & Mary	20
20. Ohio State	RV

Also receiving votes:

Florida, Princeton, Rutgers

Inside Lacrosse

Rk. Team	Votes
1. Northwestern (12)	220
2. Maryland	209
3. North Carolina	198
4. Virginia	182
5. Duke	173
6. Pennsylvania	173
7. Dartmouth	156
8. Towson	137
9. Syracuse	136
10. Vanderbilt	120
11. James Madison	112
12. Stanford	93
13. Loyola	83
14. Georgetown	55
15. Ohio State	52
16. Notre Dame	50
17. New Hampshire	39
18. Penn State	37
19. Boston College	29
20. Florida	19

Also Receiving Votes:

Louisville 14, Albany 13, William & Mary 6, Boston University 4, Johns Hopkins 2, Hofstra 1, Rutgers 1

ITALICS denotes ACC team

Virginia Tech Lacrosse

Individual Season Stats

##	Player	gp-gs	g	a	pts	sh	sh%	sog	sog%	up	dn	fpg-fps	gb	dc	t/o	ct	pen-min	foul
22	Allie Emala	12-12	23	11	34	55	.418	34	.618	0	0	5-9	20	68	16	4	1-3.0	15
12	Jessica Nonn	12-12	26	2	28	50	.520	38	.760	0	0	5-10	35	23	16	22	5-10.0	36
21	Caitlyn Wier	12-9	17	11	28	36	.472	26	.722	0	0	2-4	5	6	17	0	-	8
11	Ryan Rotanz	9-5	14	5	19	20	.700	19	.950	0	0	1-1	6	3	8	3	-	5
6	Shannon Bone	12-12	10	8	18	29	.345	18	.621	0	0	2-5	14	7	12	2	-	12
18	Liz Carpenter	12-12	9	3	12	33	.273	23	.697	1	0	3-9	19	11	12	4	1-3.0	13
15	Morgan Widlake	11-7	6	3	9	16	.375	10	.625	0	0	2-2	7	10	2	5	-	5
7	Dylan Garner	12-4	5	4	9	25	.200	16	.640	0	0	0-3	2	9	17	2	-	14
25	Brooke Martin	12-0	6	2	8	17	.353	14	.824	0	0	1-6	9	3	8	5	-	9
26	Julia Heaps	11-7	5	2	7	18	.278	12	.667	0	0	0-4	6	3	11	3	-	6
1	Emile Hunter	10-1	5	2	7	12	.417	9	.750	0	0	2-2	2	2	8	1	-	3
32	Kate Sistare	7-0	3	1	4	3	1.000	3	1.000	0	0	1-1	1	0	2	0	-	2
4	Tori O'Shea	5-0	1	0	1	3	.333	1	.333	1	0	-	3	0	1	2	-	5
2	Jacquelyn Duggins	7-7	1	0	1	1	1.000	1	1.000	0	0	-	7	1	3	4	-	7
14	Julie Wolfinger	12-7	0	1	1	2	.000	1	.500	0	0	0-1	7	9	5	5	-	6
24	Libby Rosebro	12-0	0	0	0	2	.000	1	.500	0	0	-	3	1	4	5	1-0.5	9
16	Sarah Fletcher	4-0	0	0	0	1	.000	1	1.000	0	0	-	0	0	2	0	-	1
37	Katie Rotanz	12-11	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	7	4	7	1	1-0.5	2
34	Alexis Carey	9-5	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	3	0	6	0	-	0
31	Katelyn Luker	2-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	1	0	0	0	-	0
27	Kristin Semones	9-2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	9	3	2	4	-	8
23	Katie Grogan	3-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	1	0	1	1	-	1
20	Joanna Kiser	4-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	2	0	0	1	-	0
19	Mackenzie Hanley	3-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	1	0	2	3	-	1
17	Sam Voelker	1-1	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	1	0	0	0	1-3.0	0
13	Jamie Ariosa	12-11	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	15	3	9	4	-	25
10	Charlotte Marsh	5-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	0	0	0	2	-	2
3	Christina Patten	12-12	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	10	1	5	3	-	15
00	Alex Gale	12-7	0	0	0	0	.000	0	.000	0	0	-	10	0	4	2	-	0
Total		12	131	55	186	323	.406	227	.703	2	0	24-57	206	167	180	88	10-20.0	215
Opponents		12	152	55	207	309	.492	240	.777	1	1	24-54	193	139	193	77	8-16.5	232

##	Goalie	gp-gs	min	ga	gaavg	saves	pct	w	l	t	shots faced
31	Katelyn Luker	2-0	11:42	0	0.00	0	.000	0	0	0	0
34	Alexis Carey	9-5	291:08	62	12.78	41	.398	1	4	0	127
00	Alex Gale	11-7	387:10	90	13.95	47	.343	3	4	0	182
Total		12	690:00	152	13.22	88	.367	4	8	0	309
Opponents		12	690:00	131	11.39	96	.423	8	4	0	323

Team Season Stats

TEAM STATISTICS			VT	OPP	TEAM STATISTICS			VT	OPP
SHOT STATISTICS					GROUND BALLS			206	193
Goals-Shot attempts	131-323		152-309		DRAW CONTROLS			167	139
Goals scored per game	10.92		12.67		TURNOVERS			180	193
Shot pct.	.406		.492		CAUSED TURNOVERS			88	77
Shots on goal-Attempts	227-323		240-309		CLEARS			93-118	115-150
SOG pct.	.703		.777		Clear Pct.			.788	.767
Shots/Game	26.9		25.8		PENALTIES				
Assists	55		55		Number			10	8
Free position made-Att	24-57		24-54		Minutes			20:00	16:30
Free position pct.	.421		.444		ATTENDANCE				
MAN-UP OPPORTUNITIES					Total			850	1535
Goals-Opportunities	2-8		1-10		Dates/Avg Per Date			5/170	7/219
Conversion Percent	.250		.100		Neutral Site #/Avg			0/0	

Game Summaries

Game 1: Drexel 13, Virginia Tech 9

Feb. 13 - Blacksburg, Va. - Moseley Field

Tech fell just short in its season opener, running out of gas in the closing minutes after a four-goal scoring streak from the Dragons. Junior Allie Emala tacked one more on for the Hokies in the closing minutes but the outcome was already decided. The game was full of physical play, with 10 yellow cards and one red card being issued. Sophomore Jessica Nonn led Tech's offense, scoring three goals and Katie Lawson headed the Dragons' attack with four scores.

Freshmen Alexis Carey and Alex Gale each played a half in net with Carey tallying four saves in the game. Whitney Johnson was in goal for Drexel and made nine saves on the day.

Game 2: Virginia Tech 19, Presbyterian College 5

Feb. 20 - Blacksburg, Va. - Moseley Field

The Hokies were able to bounce back after dropping their season-opener a week before, as they defeated Presbyterian College, 19-5. Jessica Nonn led all scorers with five goals, while Caitlyn Wier added four goals and assisted four more. Allie Emala also tallied four scores for the Hokies.

The game got out to a slow start as things stayed close in the opening minutes, but Tech began to pull away midway through the first half with a seven-goal run and never looked back.

Alex Gale earned the start for the Hokies, and played the entire first half, making one save in her limited action.

Game 3: James Madison 16, Virginia Tech 3

Feb. 24 - Harrisonburg, Va. - JMU Lacrosse Complex

James Madison came out attacking from the very beginning of the game and never stopped, winning the first three draw controls of the game and scoring almost immediately on each one. The Dukers scored nine goals through the first half before Tech's Emile Hunter could finally get the Hokies on the board after burying her first goal of the year on a free position attempt.

The Dukers began the second half in similar fashion, scoring two quick goals to start the half, but Tech was able to score earlier on as Jessica Nonn extended her scoring streak to three games when she put away a free position attempt. Caitlyn Wier also scored for the Hokies. Freshman Alex Gale earned her second start of the year but was replaced by Alexis Carey in the second half.

Game 4: George Mason 11, Virginia Tech 7

Feb. 27 - Fairfax, Va. - RAC Field

Tech fell just short to George Mason after allowing them to pull away late in the second half. GMU opened the game up in the first half, taking the lead back from the Hokies early on and never looking back. The Patriots closed out the half on a 6-0 run and held the 7-2 advantage at the half.

Scores from four different Hokies, including two from Jessica Nonn, put Tech back in it, tying the game at 7-7. With 7:24 remaining, the Patriots finally got their first goal of the second half, which also sparked a four-goal run to put the game out of reach as the Hokies were unable to answer.

Alex Gale earned the start for Tech and was relieved by Alexis Carey in the second half. The two combined for five saves in the game.

Game 5: George Washington 9, Virginia Tech 8

March 7 - Washington, DC - Mount Vernon Ath. Complex

The Hokies dropped a tough game to George Washington, falling 9-8 in Washington, DC. Jessica Nonn extended her scoring streak to five games as she led the Hokies with two goals.

Tech let the close game go midway through the first half, allowing the Colonials to go on a run, but the Hokies got back into it, making it 5-7 at the break. The Hokies came close in the second half but were never able to break the one-goal differential.

Alex Gale got the start in goal for Tech, but Alexis Carey saw the bulk of the playing time and finished the game with four saves, allowing just two goals.

Game 6: Virginia Tech 16, CCSU 4

March 11 - New Britain, Conn. - Arute Field

The Hokies tallied their second-largest point total of the year as they dominated Central Connecticut State. Juniors Allie Emala and Caitlyn Wier led the Tech offense with three goals each. The second of three games during the team's spring break excursion was the best of the trip. The game had a relatively slow start but the Hokies pulled away quickly, putting the game out of reach in the first half.

The Blue Devils would only go on to score one goal in the second half, while Tech tacked on six more in the final period. Leading scorer Betsy Vendel put away three of CCSU's four goals in the game.

Alexis Carey earned the start for the Hokies and was replaced by Alex Gale in the second half. The pair saw limited action on their end of the field but combined for five saves in the game.

Game 7: Boston College 14, Virginia Tech 9

March 13 - Newton, Mass. - Newton Campus Lax Field

Tech fell just short in its first conference game of the year, despite a hard fought battle and evenly matched play. The Eagles outshot the Hokies, 26-23, and were simply able to capitalize on more shots to obtain and maintain the advantage in the game. BC got out to an early, 4-0 run before Tech could get on the board, but a three-goal streak from the Hokies later in the first half would be the closest they could get to the Eagles.

The biggest story of the game was the play of both freshmen goalies, Alexis Carey and Alex Gale. The two combined for seven saves in the game but their presence was felt as both blocked big shots and helped keep the game close. Carey came up big on two different free position attempts, denying the Eagles on what would have been easy scores.

Game 8: No. 3 Duke 18, Virginia Tech 6

March 17 - Blacksburg, Va. - Thompson Field

In Tech's return home for the first time in three weeks, the Hokies fell to a talented Duke team. The game was also Tech's first at Thompson Field this season as extreme winter weather forced the team play on its practice field.

The Hokies were the first on the board and kept the Blue Devils close in the opening minutes, but Duke would soon take over, holding Tech to just three goals in each half.

Tech's freshman goalie Alexis Carey earned her third consecutive start and played the best game of her career so far, making 11 saves in 42 minutes played.

Game Summaries cont.

Game 9: No. 18 William & Mary 23, Virginia Tech 16 March 20 - Blacksburg, Va. - Thompson Field

The Tribe got out to a quick start, putting four goals on the board early and despite Tech's best efforts, the Hokies were never able to match the offensive production of William & Mary,

Junior captain Allie Emala had her best game of the year, tallying six goals and assisting on another as she paced the Hokie offense. Nine total Hokies scored in the game, matching the team's second-highest scoring list of the year.

Freshman Alexis Carey earned the start, making eight saves as she and classmate Alex Gale split time throughout the game.

Game 10: Virginia Tech 22, Davidson 8 March 17 - Blacksburg, Va. - Thompson Field

The Hokies earned just their third win of the season and their first at Thompson Field as they dominated Davidson. Ryan Rotanz led all scorers with four goals.

Tech made an impression early, scoring two goals in under a minute and putting five on the board before the Wildcats were able to score their first goal. The Hokies took off from there allowing the difference to only get as close as nine goals.

Alex Gale made the start in goal for Tech and earned her second win of the season after making a career-high 11 saves on the day.

Game 11: Virginia Tech 13, Old Dominion 12 March 27 - Norfolk, Va. - Powhatan Sports Complex

Jessica Nonn's late heroics and Alex Gale's first complete game in goal were the stories of the day as Tech made it back-to-back wins for the first time this season. After scoring the game-winning, free-position goal with eight seconds remaining, Nonn won the following draw control to secure the victory for the Hokies. She also led the team with four goals in the game.

Back-and-forth play dominated the evenly-matched game, although the Hokies blew two leads in the game. Gale played one of her best games in goal against the Lady Monarchs as she came up big in the clutch and made 10 saves in the game.

Game 12: No. 3 North Carolina 19, Virginia Tech 3 April 2 - Chapel Hill, N.C. - Fetzer Field

The Hokies had their first week of rest since the beginning of the season last week, before facing a very talented and powerful North Carolina team. The Tar Heels entered the game with the No. 3 national ranking and showed they were deserving of the spot, scoring two goals in less than 30 seconds and tallying 10 in the first half before Tech could even put one on the board. The Heels took a 10-1 lead into the half and finished the game with a 19-3 victory.

Freshman Brooke Martin had her best game of the year and scored two goals against the Heels, while her classmate, Alex Gale, made six saves in goal.