

DIVISION III FIELD HOCKEY ALL TIME CHAMPIONSHIP BRACKET NORTH REGIONAL – FIRST ROUND

MIDD 2012

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LBURG 1981

18-1 • NCAA Quarterfinals

GAA: .87 GpG: 5.06 MoV: 4.19

22-4-1 • AIAW Runners-Up

GAA: .44 GpG: 2.37 MoV: 1.93

The 2012 Panthers raced through the regular season with a 14-0 record. The final seven games of that run were shutouts for Midd, a stretch in which they outscored their opponents 52-0. A 7-0 win in the NESCAC quarters and a 1-0 lead in the NESCAC semifinals pushed the consecutive goal streak to 60 before Amherst broke the streak in what would be an overtime win for Midd. The Panthers defeated Bowdoin for the NESCAC title and entered the NCAA tournament as the top seed. A 6-2 win over Skidmore moved Midd into the quarterfinals, where DePauw stunned the Panthers with a 2-1 overtime victory, handing Midd its first loss of the season. Lauren Greer was named the National Player of the Year and was named an All-American along with Margaret Souther, Cat Fowler, and Charlotte Gardiner.

The 1981 Hornets opened up with a pair of shutouts before falling to Division I Virginia 2-0. Undaunted, Lynchburg strung together three more shutouts to advance to the finals of the North-South Invitational, where they fell to Glassboro in the title game. Again the Hornets responded with six straight shutouts before a loss to Mary Washington broke the streak. Two more shutouts sandwiched a tie against Division I James Madison to close out the regular season 13-3-1 with all 13 wins by shutout. The Hornets then swept through the Virginia State tournament, shutting out all three opponents to advance to the Region II tournament. Again, Lynchburg held their opponents off the scoreboard and swept the tournament, heading to the national tournament just 15 miles up the road at Sweet Briar. A shutout over Carleton was the Hornets' eighth consecutive shutout, and the next day a win over reigning national champion Gettysburg in strokes pushed the streak to over 610 minutes, a streak that remains in the top-six all-time. A shutout over Wooster, the top seed in the tournament, advanced the Hornets to the final and gave them their 21st shutout of the season – the first and as-of-yet only team in Division III history to shutout 20 or more teams in a single season. A 3-2 loss to Bloomsburg ended the season, but Phoebe Phelps and Molly Brogan earned All-American honors for the Hornets.

