

Cougars Downed by Reds

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Zach DeFrancis

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The Cougars ended their first away game with a disappointing 2-1 loss against the Yakima Reds.

"It was a really tough game," said BYU forward Zach Defrancis. "We gave our all, but the luck just wasn't on our side tonight. Yakima is a very skillful and aggressive team and they had a good strategy tonight. We just weren't able to convert enough goals."

The first goal of the game was scored by Ceveriano Garcia in the 43rd minute when the Reds penetrated BYU's defense, crossed the ball in, and Ceveriano finished the ball into the back of the net.

Zach Defrancis earned a penalty kick in the 89th minute after being fouled while he was dribbling into the box, and he finished the ball into the left side of the net. In stoppage time, Yakima's Alonso Rojas beat the Cougar defender and scored the game-winning goal.

"We showed a lot of fight tonight," said Zach Defrancis, "and we're looking forward to a big win tomorrow night."

The Cougars take on the Tacoma Tide tomorrow night.

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