

Bantams Fall to Division Leader Charlotte Eagles

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Columbia, SC- The SC United Bantams entered their fifth home game of their 2016 season against the Charlotte Eagles on Thursday, July 7, at 7 pm at Brookland-Cayce Stadium. After battling for possession for the majority of the ninety-one minutes played, the Bantams could not break the Eagles' defense and were only able to come up with one goal in the 1-5 loss.

The Eagles lead the South Atlantic division with a record of 9 wins, 1 tie and 2 losses. The three points tonight keep them on top of the division board with 28 points, which also has them leading the entire Eastern Conference in points.

This was the 11th league game for the Bantams. Their record of 6 wins, 2 ties and 3 losses, places them third in the division. The Bantams were looking to upset the division leaders in hopes of advancing to a second place standing.

The Bantam's backline had a rocky game, allowing the Eagles' forwards to score in the 33rd, 44th, 51st, 66th and 87th minutes. The Eagles took advantage of their opportunities and had quality finishes to put the game away. The Bantams' strikers worked hard to try to break down the Eagles' back four. They created a few quality chances, and were able to produce a goal in the 67th minute, with Wyatt Millard attacking down the right side, finding a seam in the Eagles defense and scoring a great goal.

The Bantams' Head Coach, David Kenga, commented on the loss. "Tonight's loss was a little disappointing for us with the kind of season we have had, but again we will take this experience into Saturday's game and make sure we don't come out on the wrong foot again." When asked about future improvements for the team, Kenga replied, "We plan on taking the positives from tonight and build on them going into the next game. We are in a great position still to seal a playoff spot and therefore will keep working towards that goal and put tonight's game behind us."

The Bantams are on the road for their next match against the Carolina Dynamo on July 9, 2016 at MacPherson Stadium in Greensboro, NC.