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Rafael Jara (Midfielder)

Brooklyn, NY – Last week, after a 1-0 victory against the Bridges of Brooklyn College, the Yellow Jackets faced Lehman College. Midway through the first period, Yellow Jacket midfielder Carl Michel (Samuel J. Tilden / Brooklyn) broke the scoreless tie with a goal off an assist from forward Vincent Mark (Art & Design / Brooklyn). Lehman responded 19 minutes later with a goal of their own, coming by way of midfielder Olavo De Paul. The opening minutes of the second period were filled with bursts of activity on both sides of the field. City Tech sophomore midfielder Rafael Jara broke the 1-1 tie with an unassisted goal 30 seconds into the second period. But Lehman answered back with another goal from De Paul, in the 47th minute. The game was very physical, with a total 31 fouls being called and two yellow cards issued. In the 63rd minute, striker Amirouche Hamouda scored for Lehman. Lehman would hold on to the lead and win by a score of 3-2.

Putting the Lehman loss behind them, the Yellow Jackets faced the College of Staten Island on Saturday. CSI took the lead early with a goal from Dimitri Sidiropoulos in the 10th minute. The Yellow Jackets would tie the score in the 33rd minute, with a goal from senior striker David Freire (Newtown / Queens, NY). Three minutes later, sophomore midfielder Carl Michel put the Yellow Jackets up 2-1, with an unassisted goal. Michel would score again just before the period ended, to send the Yellow Jackets into the halftime with a commanding 3-1 lead. The score would remain unchanged until late in the second period, when midfielder Rafael Jara's goal in the 83rd minute extended the Yellow Jackets' lead to 4-1. Dogan Altunsoy scored for CSI in the 86th minute, but the Yellow Jackets held on for a 4-2 victory.

The Yellow Jackets did not have long to celebrate as they looked ahead to their next opponent. Last night they faced the Bloodhounds of John Jay College. This was a heated match that included 36 fouls and 4 yellow cards. Both teams played hard but at the end of the first period the score was 0-0. The Yellow Jackets struck first with a goal by Vincent Mark off an assist from Rafael Jara. The Bloodhounds would tie the score in the 67th minute with a goal by Kareem Roberts. The score remained unchanged for the rest of regulation, and the first 17 minutes of overtime, when Jara scored the game winning goal in the 108th minute, lifting the Yellow Jackets to a 2-1 overtime victory. The Yellow Jackets out-shot the Bloodhounds 20-11. Jara recorded half of the Yellow Jackets' shots and kept John Jay goalie Joseph Rahilly busy, registering 6 of the Yellow Jackets 13 shots on goal.

The Yellow Jackets have been outstanding in conference play so far this season, with a 3-1 record in CUNYAC play. They are 3-7-0 overall. The next game is this Saturday, October 3rd, at York College, at 3 PM.

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