

Swedes tie record for most wins

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The Gothenburg volleyball team bumped its winning streak to 12 straight with Thursday's four-set victory over Southwest at home.

The achievement puts the Swedes at 17-3 on the year, tying the school record for most wins in a season.

The only other time Gothenburg reached that many wins was in 2003 when the team finished the year at 17-10.

"The neat thing is, the girls are still working very hard to improve," said coach Mary Clark. "They go into each match expecting to win but it's not like we're looking past anyone."

They certainly couldn't look past Southwest, which pushed the Swedes the whole way.

"Southwest is not the same team as when we played them earlier in the year," Clark said. "They've improved a bunch and they made us work for our points."

Gothenburg won the first set handily 25-14 before the Roughriders took advantage of a series of Swede errors to get back in the match with a 25-21 win in the second set.

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Swedish women's national volleyball team captain, Pernilla Wiberg, said the team was "very happy" to tie the record for most wins in the history of the Swedish women's national volleyball team.