WOMEN’S SOCCER TEAM OPENS SEASON WITH BULLDOG CLASSIC

“Minnesota-Duluth worked us last year, so that will be an interesting game, but Colorado will probably be the toughest trip,” Cannon went on to say. “We haven’t beat Nebraska-Omaha yet, and we beat Northern Colorado, but they have a good team and will be tough at home.

“I think it helps us being at home that first weekend. The first six games will pretty much determine the course of the season.”

The Bulldogs then begin the new MIAA round-robin schedule with Southwest Baptist at home on Sept. 22, followed the next day by new league foe Emporia State (Kan.), a team that will be in its inaugural season of women’s soccer.

With another team in the conference, along with the round-robin schedule, Truman will be playing two more conference
games this season, than the last two years put together. This could make the 'Dogs' job of maintaining their perfect record in the MIAA a little more difficult.

The league coaches picked Truman to again finish first in the MIAA, but look for Central Missouri to make a run for the title too, along with an improved Northwest Missouri team.

GOALKEEPERS

Unless a catastrophe occurs, Huyck will appear in goal for the Bulldogs one last time. Senior Jennifer Buscher (Oakville, Mo./Notre Dame) and Karla Danekas (Naperville, Ill./Central) and sophomore Beth Wieman (St. Louis/Rosati-Kain) will likely redshirt the season, while training under Huyck.

"Emily is in better shape this year," Cannon said. "She worked hard this summer. We just need to keep her healthy. In the past, she's been a glutton for punishment."

DEFENDERS

Defense has been one of the team's strengths, but the loss of the MIAA's co-MVP, Meredith Hartle, will be a big hole to fill. However, senior Nicole Thorpe (Peoria, Ill./Richwoods), juniors Jennifer Buscher (Oakville, Mo./Notre Dame) and Karla Danekas (Naperville, Ill./Central) and sophomore Beth Wieman (St. Louis/Rosati-Kain) return with plenty of starting experience among them.

"We have good depth among the defenders," Cannon said. "It's just a matter of getting the lineup set this year, and not having to be switching people around due to injuries."

Danekas and Wieman earned all-conference honors last season, while Buscher was out most of 2000 with an injury. With the return of Buscher at the sweeper spot, Wieman will serve as a marking back, but is versatile enough to play either role if necessary.

Sophomore Angie Schuhler (Olathe, Kan./Olathe South) and freshmen Anna Sonderman (Manchester, Mo./Nerinx Hall) and Lisa Manns (Overland Park, Kan./St. Thomas Aquinas) have also looked good in the preseason, and will provide excellent depth in the backfield.

Redshirt freshman Rebekah Fredlund (Wichita, Kan./Northwest) also showed promise in preseason drills, but was hampered by an injury heading into the season.

Freshmen Chrissy Colpoy (Dallas/Lake Highlands), Katie Laws (Springfield, Mo./Kickapoo) and Jamie Sharp (Columbia, Mo./rock Bridge) will also work out with the backs, but could redshirt the season while gaining experience.

Senior Molly Adams (Omaha, Neb./Marian) was a first-team all-conference performer last year, but is probably going to sit out the 2001 campaign to recover from an injury.

MIDFIELDERS

Look for more scoring power from the midfield this year as four well-seasoned all-MIAA performers return.

In the central midfield, Miller, the team's leading scorer last year, returns to her starting role, along with senior Missy Ell (O'Fallon, Mo./St. Dominic), who was an honorable mention all-MIAA midfielder a year ago. Junior Heather Murray (St. Charles, Mo./West) will also see plenty of time in the central midfield, as could freshman Ellen Wright (Kirkwood, Mo.).

"Both Missy and Melissa have had a good preseason, but Heather will see a lot of playing time too," Cannon indicated.

Out wide, junior Anna Smith (Jefferson City, Mo.) is a shoe-in on one side, while seniors Kelli Best (Urbanballe, Iowa) and Laura Paul (Lee's Summit, Mo./Blue Springs) will battle for the other wide midfield spot.

"Kelli may have more experience, but Laura has really been playing well," Cannon said.

Sophomore Deidra Reasoner (Shawnee, Kan./St. Thomas Aquinas) will vie for time among the midfielders after redshirting the 2000 season, and seeing limited action in 1999.

Chayil Wiedeman (Skokie, Ill./Niles West) is the other newcomer in the midfield and will probably redshirt.

FORWARDS

Cepicky, who established herself as a scoring threat last year, leads the forwards. She was the only player to score multiple goals in a game with two vs. Northern Colorado.

Junior Becky Ojile (St. Louis/Nerinx Hall) has been gaining valuable experience the past two seasons, and seems to have proven herself among the forwards going into the season slated as the other starting forward.

"We're pretty pleased with the forwards this year," Cannon said. "Everyone has had a great preseason."

Junior Carrie Hegenderfer (Cedar Rapids, Iow/John F. Kennedy) will also see a lot of time on the pitch, while freshman Sara Murray (Eden Prairie, Minn.) has been a pleasant surprise as well. Wright could see time among the forwards as well, along with freshman Whitney Fancher (Springfield, Mo./Kickapoo) who is more likely to redshirt the season if everyone stays healthy.

SERIES RECORDS: Truman has won all three meetings with the North Dakota State Bison, including a 6-1 thrashing back on Sept. 21, 1997, in the two team's most recent encounter.

The Bulldogs have not been so lucky with Minnesota State, Mankato, however, losing an 3-2 double-overtime game in the season-opener at Mankato last year. Truman won the two previous meetings, 2-0 on Oct. 3, 1998, and 3-1 on Sept. 13, 1997.

TRUMAN VS. MINNESOTA STATE, MANKATO LAST YEAR: In the season opener, Mankato scored first just 35 seconds into the game to put the 'Dogs on edge from the start. Miller put the first Truman goal in the net at the 13-minute mark, served up by transfer Molly Adams. The Bulldogs took the lead following a goal by Adams from Miller at the 20-minute mark, and carried the lead into intermission. The Mavericks tied the score in the 74th minute which held up through the remainder of regulation time and sent the 'Dogs into overtime. Neither team put the ball in the net in the first extra period. However, it took MSUM just a minute and 15 seconds into the second OT period to score the game-winning goal.

Huyck made 13 saves, while Miller led the team with five shots.
Heading into his
The No.
Career,
gram qualified for the 1999 NCAA
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selected the 1999 Central Region Coach of
Year in 1998 and 1999, and was also
North Central Conference Coach of the
Region Coach of the Year and North
College graduate of 1992 was named the
winningest coach with a 3-0 win over
Baker University on Sept. 27.

Minnesota State, Mankato head coach
Chris Miskew owns a 53-36-4 (.570) as she
enters her sixth season. The Rockhurst
College graduate of 1992 was named the
2000 NSCAA/Adidas Division II Central
Region Coach of the Year and North
Central Conference Coach of the Year.
North Dakota State head coach Matt
Townsend begins his fourth year at NDSU
with a 11-7-1 record. He is a two-time
North Central Conference Coach of the
Year in 1998 and 1999, and was also
selected the 1999 Central Region Coach of
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gram qualified for the 1999 NCAA
Division II Women's Soccer Tournament
for the first time.

TRUMAN IS 7-9-1 IN SEASON OPENERS.
The Bulldogs had not lost in four straight
season-openers until falling to Minnesota
State, Mankato 3-2 in double overtime last
year. The Bulldogs are 11-5-1 in home
openers.

MINNESOTA, MANKATO: The No.
19 Mavericks knocked off No. 16
Minnesota-Duluth in both team's season
opener last Saturday in Mankato, 2-1.
MSUM did not take long to get the ball
in the net for the first time in 2001 as
junior all-America forward Amber Dusosky
put it in just 1:39 into the game. Senior
defender Krystal Anderson was credited
with the assist.

Dusosky later fractured her leg in the
win over Minnesota-Duluth and will not
play for the rest of the season. Dusosky
was a second-team all-America and the
MVP of the North Central Conference last
season after tallying 28 goals and 62
points in 20 games.

The North Central Conference named
freshman midfielder Randi Warhol the
player of the week. In her first career
start, Warhol scored the game-winner at
the 75:07 mark, taking one of MSU's 14
corner kicks and putting in the right cor-
er of the net.

UMD would make a rally near the end,
however MSUM junior goaltender Allison
Vroman recorded four saves to earn the
complete game victory.

Senior midfielder Amanda Burrows is
second in three career categories with 28
goals, 20 assists, and 76 points. The North
Central Conference Freshman of the Year
in 1998 is tied for second on the team in
goals (4). Alberg ranks third on the career
games played in her career. Burrows
led the Mavericks the past two seasons in
assists and had four game-winners includ-
ing the lone goal in a 1-0 victory over
North Dakota (10/1/00).

Senior forward Katie Alberg has had to
prove her resiliency several times after sit-
ting out the 1999 season and part of the
2000 campaign with a knee injury. Her 51
career games ranks fifth on the squad and
set the MSU single season record in points
and goals her sophomore season. In 1998, she
led the NCC in points per game (1.69),
goals per game (.69) and game-winning
goals (4). Alberg ranks third on the career
goals list (24), fourth in assists (14), and
tied for third in points (62).

Goalkeeper Jenny Koehler earned hon-
orable mention all-conference honors last
season as she allowed only 13 goals in
233 minutes played.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY
goalkeeper Kelly Tierney was named the
North Central Conference Defensive Player
of the Week on August 27. Tierney, a
junior, posted a pair of shutouts during
the opening weekend of the 2001 season
as the Bison defeated Jamestown College
(12-0) and the University of Mary (1-0) at
the Dakota Cup on August 25-26.

Tierney made 13 saves during the two
matches to push her career shutout total
to 11.5 and closed to within 0.5 saves of
the NDSU all-time record of 12 set by
Margaret Palo from 1996-1997. She is the
career leader in goals against average at
0.66 (13 goals in 1785 minutes).

Freshman Olivia Cole scored a goal in
the game's 29th minute as NDSU edged
host University of Mary 1-0 in the Dakota
Cup on Sunday, August 26 at Bismark.
Cole, a forward, recorded the lone score of
the contest after taking a pass from Amy
Masterson. Tierney posted her second
straight shutout.

Nine different players scored as the
Bison defeated Jamestown College. 12-0. It
was the season opener for both teams.
Cole scored two goals and added two
assists, junior Tara Sweeney booted a pair
of goals with an assist and sophomore for-

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**Truman Career Leaders**

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**Keeper Minutes**

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| 3 | 3:49:07 BOOBEK EGGLESTON, 86-88 |
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Active players in bold.
ward Caitlin Schultz drilled in two goals to lead the Bison. Cole, Sweeney and Schultz each scored a goal to put NDSU ahead 3-0 at halftime.

North Dakota State, which outshot the Jimmies 36-6, exploded for nine second-half goals. Senior Tiff Koerner and Cole opened the scoring in the final period with goals just 33-seconds apart in the 48th minute of the match.

Freshman Angie Eichten, senior Kelly Gilbertson and freshman Jamie Graden were each credited with a goal and an assist. A pair of freshman, Carly Christensen and Betty Wey and Koerner each added one goal, and junior Amy Masterson finished with an assist. Tierney made six saves for NDSU.

CENTRAL MISSOURI: Truman and CMSU do not meet until conference action on Sept. 29 in Warrensburg, and then again in the season finale on Nov. 4. Last Saturday, Central Missouri lost its season-opener at home to Winona State (Minn.), 2-0, but beat St. Cloud State (Minn.) the next day, 8-0 in Warrensburg.