Women’s soccer aims to reclaim MIAA

Junior midfielder Brigitte Pohren fires the ball ahead to a teammate during a 4-0 victory against Upper Iowa last September. The Bulldogs compiled a 12-5-3 overall record in 2006, but for the first time in eight years they did not finish first in their conference. The Dogs graduated six starters from last year’s team but bring back MIAA Freshman of the Year Jessica Wiegert.

Bulldogs search for eighth conference title in nine seasons

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Amid the summer humidity of Kirksville there is something else beginning to stir: the women’s soccer team. Even though they’ve been practicing since January, the team has already began to feel the progress they’ve seen in the off-season.

“Having someone who is very fit and ready to work,” said senior Emily Roark. “It’s important because the goalkeeper gets the last line of defense.”

Roark said Davis set a great example for the Bulldogs last fall. A four-year starter, Davis is one of seven Bulldogs to be on the MIAA All-Conference first team four times. She leaves the team as the all-time wins leader for each of the last two seasons.

Junior Emily Roark will take over for Davis in net. She has been the primary backup for the last two years and is now the full-time starter.

Net Loss

Lauren Davis played her last game in a Bulldog uniform last fall. A four-year starter, Davis is one of seven Bulldogs to be on the MIAA All-Conference team four times. She leaves the team as the all-time leader in minutes played with more than 6,800 and is third all-time in shutouts.

Lauren Davis career stats

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