



Courtesy of Truman Bulls Rugby

Sophomore back Logan Anderson tries to break a couple of tackles earlier this season against the University of Missouri.

## Bulls bounce back against Oklahoma State

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Rugby head coach Bill Sexton did not mince words during practice last Thursday.

The Bulls had suffered their worst loss of the season five days prior and followed that with what Sexton said was a poor week of practice heading into their match against Oklahoma State University.

"How do you want to approach this?" Sexton told the team. "Do you want to just roll over and give up, or do you want to make a statement?"

Whether it was improved weather, a good film session Thursday night or the fact that the Bulls played an easier team than the week prior — Sexton's message got through.

The Bulls defeated Oklahoma State 45-12 two days later in Lawrence, Kan., avenging a 37-21 loss last fall in which a late comeback fell short.

The win last Saturday followed a

61-0 defeat at playoff-bound Kansas State University April 2, which Sexton called a "slap in the face."

"There was a little bit of redemption involved here," Sexton said. "They wanted to make up for their poor performance and they came out with a little more focus and it showed on the field. We were better in the tackle, we were better being tackled and maintaining continuity."

The win improves the Bulls' overall spring record to 2-3 as they head into the season finale 1:30 p.m. Saturday at home against the University of Kansas.

"Everybody was pretty pumped up," Sexton said. "Everybody was pretty high about improving the quality of the game."

The Bulls had the wind at their backs in the first half and took advantage with a 31-5 lead at the break, led by two tries from senior Jason Ralph. Junior Dan Bellavia, freshman James Flath and senior Aaron Loida contributed to the first-half scoring.

In the second half, the Bulls were outscored by one, despite playing into the wind. Graduate Luke Wenger and

Ralph each scored, with two conversions from Joe Krispin before Oklahoma State ended the scoring with a try and a penalty kick.

"I think the score shows that we kind of lit the fire under our butts and played better for Oklahoma State," Ralph said. "Everyone was playing better and everyone played up to their abilities for the game last Saturday. And the score shows what we can really do."

Sexton said he would like to think this is a turning point for the young team after improving compared to the loss to Kansas State. He said the inexperience showed in the loss the Oklahoma State in the fall but not as much last Saturday.

The Bulls entered the fall having lost half of their starters from 2009-10. They will lose just one — Wenger — after this season.

"We are not playing for this season," Sexton said. "We are playing for next season. Everything we do right now is building for next fall when the season starts over again."

## TRUMAN ATHLETICS News and Notes

### Women's Golf: Lawson wins third award

For the third time this year senior Jen Lawson has been awarded the MIAA female golfer of the week award. Lawson won the Mount Mercy Invitational as an individual this past weekend. The Bulldogs also placed first as a team.

Lawson has finished in the top five in the last seven tournaments in which she has competed, stretching back to the fall season during which she won three straight tournaments.

At the opening of the second round Lawson was five shots back of the lead but shot a 76 in round two to move past the rest of the field. She finished the two-round, 36-hole tournament with a score of 155. Junior teammate Liz Lestmann finished second.

For her career Lawson has averaged 82.8 strokes per round, and she has four tournament victories in 2010-11. She has not missed a round during her collegiate career.

This weekend's MIAA conference tournament will be the last regular season event of Lawson's Bulldog career.

### Football: UNO replaced on 2011 schedule

The Bulldogs have replaced the October 1, 2011, open spot on their schedule left by the departure of the University of Nebraska-Omaha.

Truman will travel to Lebanon, Ill., to take on McKendree University of the NAIA.

McKendree currently is in the process of becoming and NCAA Div. II school. Truman has been assigned as their mentor school to help guide them through the transition process by the NCAA.

Last season the Bearcats were eliminated in the second round of the NAIA playoffs by the University of Sioux Falls (S.D.).

The game will kick off at 1:30 p.m. at Leemon Field 25 minutes from downtown St. Louis.

The last time the Bulldogs took the field in St. Louis was at old Busch Memorial Stadium in 1986 against Southeast Missouri State University.

October 1 will be the first ever football game to be played between Truman and McKendree.

### Baseball: Truman pitchers tops in ERA

Truman pitchers junior Ryan Trimble and sophomore Jarrett Eiskina now lead the MIAA conference in ERA. Following a stellar start Friday against Fort Hays State University in which Trimble pitched seven complete innings with seven strikeouts and only two earned runs, his ERA is at 1.91 to lead the conference.

Eiskina's last start was the game after Trimble's on Friday against Fort Hays. He pitched six innings, allowing four runs but zero earned runs while striking out four. Following the loss, Eiskina's ERA is at 2.05, which is second only to Trimble's in the conference.

Truman is 4-3 after winning his last four starts. He started the season 0-3.

Eiskina is 3-2. He went 2-5 last year with a 5.65 ERA. Trimble was 5-5 with a 3.25 ERA. Both pitchers will pitch this coming weekend against Missouri Western State University. They then both will pitch again at Fort Hays State University.

The team has five more series remaining on their schedule. The Bulldogs currently have 11 conference wins.

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