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Freshman Levi Hanks swims the 400 IM during the dual against Missouri S&T on Saturday in Pershing Natatorium. Hanks took first place in the 500-yard freestyle.

Swimming suffers weekend losses

BY MEREDITH KUSKY
Staff Reporter

The men's and women's swimming squads recorded two losses this weekend as the No. 15 women faced Div. I Illinois State and the men competed against No. 10 Missouri S&T.

The men lost the meet to the ranked Missouri S&T Miners 120-74 at home and the women lost the dual last Friday in Bloomington, Ill. to the Redbirds 185-85.

Both of head coach Ed Pretre's squads went into the weekend after wins against Div. I competition Western Illinois University. However this past Friday the women were not able to mirror the same results against Illinois State.

Despite the loss, sophomore Abby Hempen placed first in the 200-yard backstroke with a time of 2:28.10, while teammate senior Taylor Birska finished second behind Hempen with a time of 2:33.10.

A handful of Bulldogs were awarded with second place finishes. Freshman Adrian Rudd placed second in the 100 and 200-yard butter-

fly. Junior Casey Jepsen earned second place honors in the 100-yard freestyle with a time of 54.49. Freshman Kristin Van Oost placed second in the 200-yard backstroke and senior Allison Harding earned second as well in the 500-yard freestyle. The 800-yard free relay team consisting of junior Bailey Peterson, freshman Melanie Wilkes, Harding and Van Oost earned second place.

While the women were on the road the men were competed at home. The Bulldogs fell to the Miners but earned three first-place titles. One of the first place winners was senior Tony Hernandez in the 100-yard breaststroke with a final time of 59.58. Next to take first place was freshman Levi Hanks in the 500-yard freestyle with a time of 4:46.44. The 200-yard freestyle relay team also finished first. The relay was swam by freshmen Josh Daminato and Ben Devilbiss, junior Seth Holbrook and sophomore Andrew Tuisl.

The Bulldogs hit the water when the men's and women's squads come together Nov. 16 to 18 at the Phoenix Fall Classic in Chicago, Ill.

Women's basketball loses exhibition game

BY DAVID LEMON
Staff Reporter

During the first exhibition match of the season, the women's basketball team lost 62-87 against Missouri State University, the reigning MVC champions, Sunday afternoon.

The Bulldogs pulled within

nine points of the Lady Bears, 49-40 early during the second half, but a myriad of turnovers allowed the Lady Bears, who had the lead all game, to increase their advantage.

Coming off the bench, junior guard Amy Briggs led the way for the Bulldogs with a team high 15 points, five rebounds and four as-

sists, shooting 9-16 for the day. Close behind her were senior starters Becka McHenry and Jennifer Conway with 12 and 10 points respectively. The Bulldog's shot 50 percent from the three-point line, scoring 8-16 attempts beyond the arc.

The 'Dogs struggled from the free-throw line, shooting 47 per-

cent making 8-17 free throws. The other setback was the 24 steals the Bulldogs allowed while on the offensive including eight more turnovers totaling 32 for the afternoon.

Looking toward the rest of the season, and coming off a 17-10 year (11-9 in conference), the program looks to make an even bigger statement during the team's final

year with the MIAA. After starting last season 6-0, the Truman squad looks to reciprocate something similar facing six opponents they beat last season right off the bat during this season's schedule.

The women face off against the University of Illinois-Chicago for another exhibition game tomorrow in Chicago, Ill.

Top Bulldogs



Amy Briggs

Women's basketball, junior guard

Briggs finished 6-10 from the field and 3-6 from the three-point line in the 'Dogs' 62-87 loss to the Div. I Missouri State Lady Bears Sunday. Briggs finished with a team-high 15 points.



Allie Brak

Volleyball, sophomore outside hitter

Brak had a career-high 25 kills and hit .488 in the Bulldogs' loss to No. 6 Central Missouri. Her performance last weekend led to her second MIAA Hitter of the Week award of the season.

Mark your calendar

Men's Basketball

7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 9
Pershing Arena

The Truman men's basketball team faces William Penn University at home for an exhibition game.

Women's Basketball

7 p.m., Friday, Nov. 9
Chicago, Ill.

The women square off against the University of Illinois-Chicago.

Volleyball

7 p.m. Friday, Nov. 9
Emporia, Kan.

The women travel to Kansas to face off against the Emporia State University hornets.

Wrestling

Saturday, Nov. 10
Galesburg, Ill.

The wrestling team competes in the Knox College Open.

Football

1 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 10
Stokes Stadium

The team takes on Lindenwood University for the last game of the season.

Volleyball

6 p.m., Saturday, Nov. 10
Maryville, Mo.

The team faces Northwest Missouri State University during the last game of the regular season.

Volleyball

7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 13
Pershing Arena

The women face a currently unknown opponent in the first round of their last MIAA conference tournament.

Wrestling

7 p.m., Tuesday, Nov. 13
Hannibal, Mo.

Wrestling face off against Hannibal-LaGrange in a dual.

Men's Basketball

7:30 p.m., Wednesday, Nov. 14
Pershing Arena

The men host Upper Iowa University at home.

Football loses fourth game in a row this weekend

BY SAM SHERMAN
Truman Media Network,
Sports Director

The Truman State football team hit the road this week to play Missouri Southern State University in Joplin, Mo. and lost 10-34.

The loss is the latest in a four-game losing streak, leaving the Bulldogs at 4-6 as they wrap up their final season in the MIAA conference after 100 years of membership.

For the third week in a row, the 'Dogs struck first with a 22-yard field goal from junior kicker Derek Koon. Sophomore running back Garrett White scored next, capitalizing on a Lion fumble at Missouri Southern's 12-yard line, making the score

10-0 in favor of the Bulldogs at the start of the second quarter.

Truman was shut out from that point on, giving up 27 points during the second quarter to give the Lions a 27-10 lead heading into halftime. A 93-yard drive from the Lions during the third quarter sealed the 34-10 victory for Missouri Southern.

The Bulldogs' defense allowed 409 rushing yards and 42 passing yards as they struggled to contain the Lions' triple-option, run-heavy offense. Senior safety Michael Elliott led the team in tackles with 12 and junior defensive end Matthew Smith picked up a sack in the team's defensive effort.

Offensively, Truman finished with 215 yards of total offense

and committed two turnovers for the day. Junior quarterback Conrad Schottel finished 20-37 for 156 yards and one interception, while junior wide receiver junior Dallas Grier led the Bulldog offense with 10 catches for 67 yards. On the ground, White received the majority of the carries, rushing 14 times for 56 yards and a touchdown.

The 'Dogs now look to end their MIAA days on a high note as they play their last game of the season and of MIAA conference play against the Lindenwood Lions at 1 p.m. Saturday at Stokes Stadium.

The game will be broadcasted on KTRM 88.7 and will be live-streamed on tmn.truman.edu/ktrm.

Wrestling finishes fifth at first competition

BY CORY WEEKES
Staff Reporter

Five Truman State wrestlers placed in the team's season opening competition Saturday at the Loras College Invitational.

Among the top performers, were junior senior Colton Schmitz and sophomore returner Alec Rentschler. Each placed seventh in the Gold Division competition at their respective weight classes. Freshmen Chase Wrisinger, JJ Dorrell and Dustin McClintock all placed in the Silver Division.

Coming off a redshirt season last year, and wrestling at a higher weight class, Schmitz won his first match 3-1 but after a major decision loss in his second match, he fell to the wrestling side where we went 2-1 and won the seventh place match. In the

197-pound weight class, Rentschler went 2-2, winning the seventh place match in a 7-0 decision.

McClintock's fifth place finish represented the team's highest of the competition. Wrestling at the 157-pound weight class, McClintock secured the fifth place finish with a tech-fall victory.

The solid performance of Wrisinger and Dorrell during the competition bodes well for Truman as Schmitz said that it was important for the newcomers to step up and be successful. Wrisinger won the sixth place match at the 174-pound weight class, while Dorrell recorded his first collegiate victory en route to an eighth place finish at the 125-pound weight class.

The team's next competition will be this Saturday at the Knox College Open in Galesburg, Ill.

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