



Football loses 26-52 to Emporia State

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In front of a large Homecoming crowd, the Truman State football team [4-4, 3-4 MIAA] suffered a 26-52 defeat Saturday at the hands of No. 18 Emporia State University [8-0, 8-0 MIAA].

The 'Dogs struck first after sophomore running back Garrett White plowed into the end zone for an 11 yard run, putting the score at 7-0 at the beginning of the first quarter. After trading the lead with Emporia following a Hornet touchdown and field goal, the Bulldogs tied the game at 10 before taking the lead for the last time after a botched snap on a punt earned the Bulldogs a safety and a 12-10 lead.

The Hornets went on to score 21 unanswered points and never looked back. Junior Bulldog quarterback Conrad Schottel was pulled from the game during the third quarter in favor of senior quarterback Taylor Breen. Breen finished the rest of the game for the Bulldogs and went 12-24 for 164 yards, one touchdown, an interception, 44 yards rushing and a rushing touchdown.

On the ground, the Bulldogs relied on the talent of White, who took sole control of the rushing game after the back he was splitting carries with, freshman Aaron Hartfield, went down with an injury during the second half. White rushed 19 times for 97 yards and a touchdown, averaging 5.1 yards a carry. Defensively, the Bulldogs

failed to slow down the Emporia State offense, currently ranked first in the MIAA in total yards. Senior defensive back Tremaine Millender led the team in tackles with 12. Senior safety Richie Schumacher had the team's only interception while senior cornerback Robert Gayden recovered a fumble for the 'Dogs, with the turnover being forced by junior defensive end Jeramey Dockery.

The 'Dogs will stay at home next Saturday as they face off against No. 22 Pittsburg State. Saturday marks the third game in a row against a ranked opponent for the Bulldogs. The game starts at 1 p.m. at Stokes Stadium and will be broadcasted on 88.7 The Edge and the radio feed will be streaming live on tmn.truman.edu/ktm.

Sam Gorden/Index
Junior quarterback Conrad Schottel throws a pass in the Bulldogs' Homecoming 26-52 loss to the No. 15 Emporia State Hornets. Schottel finished the game with 132 yards and three interceptions.

Top Bulldogs



Sharpe finished with eight kills and a team-leading nine blocks in the Bulldogs' three-set sweep of Lindenwood University on Tuesday. Sharpe currently is second on the team in kills with 278 and first on the team in blocks with 109.

Megan Sharpe
volleyball, senior middle blocker



Chapman recorded his second hat-trick of the season during Sunday's game against Southwest Baptist University. The performance brought him to an MIAA-leading 12 goals and an MIAA-leading 29 points.

Andy Chapman
men's soccer, senior forward

Mark your calendar

Women's Soccer

7 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 25
Warrensburg, Mo.

The women's soccer team plays away, facing University of Central Missouri.

Men's Soccer

3 p.m., Friday, Oct. 26
Truman Soccer Park

The men's soccer team faces Upper Iowa University at home. The men are ranked No. 2 in the central region.

Women's Soccer

12 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 27
Bolivar, Mo.

The team goes on the road to square off against Southwest Baptist University.

Football

1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 27
Stokes Stadium

Football takes on the Pittsburg State University Gorillas at home during its Breast Cancer Awareness Game.

Men's and Women's Swimming

11:30 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 27
Pershing Natatorium

The swimmers compete against the Western Illinois University.

Volleyball

6 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 27
Pershing Arena

The women host Southwest Baptist University at home for the Dig Pink game.

Volleyball

7 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 30
St. Joseph, Mo.

The team travels to St. Joseph, Mo. to face the Missouri Western University Leathernecks.

Women's Soccer

Time TBD, Tuesday, Oct. 30
Location TBD

The women play in the quarterfinal round of the MIAA tournament.

See all the results of last week's games online at <http://tmn.truman.edu/theindex>

Men's soccer wins big on Senior Day

BY CORY WEEKES
Staff Reporter

Truman State's men's soccer team rebounded from a tough 3-2 loss Friday against No. 23 Lindenwood University to defeat the Southwest Baptist Bearcats 7-1 at home Sunday afternoon.

The Bulldogs scored seven goals during Senior Day against Southwest Baptist on Sunday. A goal during the 22nd minute by junior Tony Diepenbrock sparked senior Andy Chapman's second hat-trick of the season. After being recognized during the pre-game ceremony, senior Charlie Backus notched three assists, to go along with his team leading nine goals.

Sunday's win improved the teams overall record to 9-5-1, and 6-1 in conference matchups as well as brought the Bulldogs closer to achieving a national ranking. Friday's loss to Linden-

wood ended a three game winning streak for the Bulldogs that included a 2-1 victory against the No. 17 Fort Hays State University Tigers on October 11.

After the first twelve minutes, the Bulldogs jumped out to an early 2-1 lead against the nationally-ranked Lions behind goals from sophomore Nick Franta and senior Charlie Backus.

Despite the early lead however, Lindenwood scored an equalizer during the 55th minute, followed by a late game-winner in the 88th minute. The Lions outshot the Bulldogs 14-12 during the game.

The Bulldogs have one final regular season game remaining. The team plays Friday at home against the Upper Iowa University Peacocks. A win would give the Bulldogs added momentum heading into the MIAA tournament Nov. 1.



Sam Gorden/Index
Senior forward Andy Chapman takes the ball downfield during the 'Dogs' 2-3 loss to the Lindenwood Lions on Friday. Chapman leads the conference in goals with 12.

Karen Grauel places first at MIAA championships

BY TYLER POE
Staff Reporter

For the second time in her career, senior cross country runner Karen Grauel crossed the finish line first at the 2012 Mid-America Intercollegiate Athletics Association Championships. Grauel's second championship also is the program's second as the women's cross country team finished seventh of a field of 12 while the men defeated Emporia State University to finish ninth of 10 teams.

Grauel finished the six kilometer course in 22:11.59, 54 seconds behind her 2010 championship finish but 13 seconds better than Lincoln University's Twishana Williams who finished in second. Grauel won the title two years ago as a sophomore and was fourth last season to earn all-MIAA honors for the fourth time in her career.

Senior Cindy Grauel also earned all-conference honors with an 11th place finish in a time of 23:05.10. Junior Katie Hirsch was 54th with a time of 24:28.74, freshman Miranda Biddle was 58th coming in at 24:33.05, junior Abby Palm was 60th with a time of 24:38.24 and freshman Taylor Schulz came in 67th finish-

ing with a time of 25:02.74. Truman completed the meet with 177 points, finishing behind the University of Nebraska-Kearney and ahead of Fort Hays State University to take seventh. Missouri Southern State University won the team championship with 78 points followed by Southwest Baptist University with 84.

On the men's side, sophomore Brad Hart placed 34th and was the top place finisher for the Bulldogs as the men finished with 259 points and next to last in the field of 10. Hart finished the eight kilometer course in 26:42.19, while junior teammate Andrew Sheets followed in 47th with his 27:12.35 mark. Junior Patrick Fink finished 70th with a 28:03.79, while senior Chad Petrofsky (73rd, 28:28.28), sophomore Eric Volstromer (79th, 29:54.19) and sophomore Christopher Floyd (80th, 30:11.24) rounded up the men's team finishers. Fort Hays State won the team title with 64 points followed by Southwest Baptist in second with 74.

The teams will next compete at the NCAA Central regional race on November 3rd hosted by Missouri Southern State University in Joplin.

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