

# 'Dogs fall to Fort Hays Tigers at home

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A late drive came up just short for Truman State at Stokes Stadium Saturday as the Bulldogs fell at home to Fort Hays State University 37-23.

Offensive miscues and big plays by the Tigers hurt the 'Dogs, who fell to 3-2 on the year and 0-2 in MIAA play. The victory was Fort Hays' first for the season and brought the Tigers' record to 1-4 and 1-3 in the MIAA.

Truman struggled offensively during the first half, with junior kicker Derek Koon missing a long 44-yard field goal on the Bulldogs' first drive of the game. During Truman's next possession, the 'Dogs drove to the Fort Hays 3 yard line before fumbling the ball and turning it over to the Tigers.

It looked like Truman had the Tigers stopped before Fort Hays used a 44-yard gain on a fake punt to keep the drive alive and score the game's first touchdown to take a 7-0 lead.

Truman answered, and it appeared as though the Bulldogs would enter the locker room at halftime trailing only 14-10, but the Tigers converted a long third down en route to scoring their third touchdown and taking a 21-10 lead with 1:06 left during the first half.

The second half seemed to begin well for the Bulldogs, as junior defensive end Matthew Smith forced and recovered a fumble on the Fort Hays 10 yard line on the first play of the third quarter. Junior quarterback Conrad Schottel was sacked and fumbled during Truman's first play from scrimmage, however, and Fort Hays recovered to kill another Bulldog scoring chance.

Trailing 28-10, Truman launched a come-



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The Bulldogs hosted Fort Hays State University Saturday in a MIAA matchup. The 'Dogs fell to the Tigers 37-23 despite a late surge.

back during the fourth quarter, with sophomore running back Garrett White plunging into the end zone with about nine minutes remaining to cut the Fort Hays lead to 11. Two minutes later, Schottel brought the deficit down to five with a 25-yard touchdown pass to sophomore Jared Haferbier, but the 'Dogs were unable to complete a two-point conversion.

Down 31-23, Truman had one last chance with three minutes remaining and the ball on their own 15. Helped by Fort Hays penalties,

the Bulldogs drove to the Fort Hays 28, before Schottel's fourth down pass for sophomore wide receiver Chico Orlando fell incomplete.

The junior quarterback for the Tigers, Tarean Austin, sealed the Fort Hays victory with a 67-yard touchdown run after the Tigers took possession following Truman's turnover on downs.

The loss was the first at home for the Bulldogs this year. Truman's next game is Oct. 6 against the University of Nebraska-Kearney in Kearney, Neb. for an MIAA matchup.

# Mens soccer falls to 5-4-1 for the season

BY TYLER POE  
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The Truman State mens soccer team lost to the No. 16 Rockhurst University Hawks 1-4 at home Tuesday to put Truman State at 5-4-1 for the season.

The 'Dogs' only goal was scored by senior midfielder Charlie Backus and assisted by senior Andy Chapman in the 60th minute of play. It was Backus' second goal of the season and Chapman's first assist of the season.

The men split a pair of weekend games on the field, falling 0-4 to Northeastern Oklahoma State University Friday before winning 3-1 against Harding University Sunday.

The Bulldogs' six-game win streak was snapped Friday when they lost a 0-4 decision to Northeastern. Chapman managed two shots on goal, while Northeastern scored with variety as the Riverhawks found the back of the net from a well-timed rebound from a corner kick and three assisted shots.

During their second game of the weekend, the Bulldogs rallied from an early deficit to defeat Harding by the score of 3-1.

Truman trailed early as Harding scored within the first minute of regulation, but a strong second half surge put the Bulldogs back in the scoring column with goals from freshman Felix Bruner, Chapman and Luedeck.

The Bulldogs will travel to Mount Pleasant, Iowa to face the Iowa-Wesleyan Tigers Saturday for their next matchup.

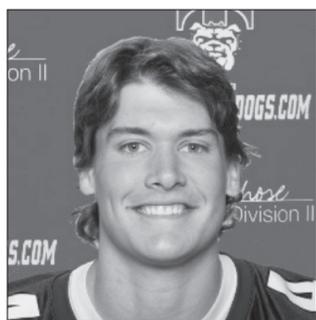
## Top Bulldogs



Kelsey Twellman

Womens soccer, senior midfielder

Twellman scored the deciding goal for the Bulldogs during the 1-0 victory against the University of Central Missouri on Sunday. She is currently second on the team in goals scored and assists this season.



Conrad Schottel

Football, junior quarterback

Schottel finished 34-59 for 384 yards and two touchdowns with no interceptions during the Bulldogs' 23-37 loss to the Fort Hays State University Tigers. This season, Schottel has thrown for 1,113 yards and 10 touchdowns.

# Mark your calendar

### Volleyball

9:30 a.m. & 4:30 p.m., Friday, Oct. 5  
Pershing Arena

The volleyball team will face off against East Central University during the morning, then face Harding University.

### Mens and Womens Tennis

Oct. 5-6  
Quincy, Ill.

Mens and womens tennis will play at the Quincy Invitational.

### Mens and Womens Swimming

Friday, Oct. 5  
Columbia, Mo.

Mens and womens swimming will participate in the Missouri Show-Me Showdown.

### Mens and Womens Cross Country

Saturday, Oct. 6  
Rolla, Mo.

Mens and womens cross country will compete in the Jackling Jocks Invitational hosted by Missouri S&T.

### Volleyball

11 a.m. & 3:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 6  
Pershing Arena

The volleyball team takes on Southwestern Oklahoma State University.

### Mens Soccer

2:30 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 6  
Mount Pleasant, Iowa

The mens soccer team faces Iowa-Weselyan College.

### Football

2:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 6  
Kearney, Neb.

Football takes on the University of Nebraska-Kearney Lopers. The team has a record of 3-2.

### Womens Soccer

1 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 7  
Soccer fields

The Truman womens soccer team faces Lindenwood University at home.

### Mens Soccer

3 p.m., Thursday, Oct. 11  
Soccer fields

The mens soccer team faces Fort Hays State University.

### Volleyball

6 p.m., Friday, Oct. 12  
Pershing Arena

The volleyball team will compete against University of Nebraska-Kearney.

### Womens Soccer

6 p.m., Friday, Oct. 12  
Topeka, Kan.

The womens soccer team plays away, facing Washburn University.

### Football

1 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13  
Topeka, Kan.

Football will compete against Washburn University.

### Mens Soccer

2 p.m., Saturday, Oct. 13  
Soccer fields

The mens soccer team squares off against Southern Nazarene University.

### Volleyball

3 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 13  
Hays, Kan.

The volleyball team will take on the Fort Hays State University Tigers on the road.

### Womens Soccer

12 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 14  
Emporia, Kan.

The womens soccer team go on the road to face Emporia State University.

### Womens Golf

Oct. 14-15  
Kirkville Country Club

The women host their home tournament — the Bulldog Fall Classic at the Kirkville Country Club.

### Volleyball

7 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 16  
Rolla, Mo.

The women take on the Missouri S&T Miners.

## Womens soccer wins one, draws one

BY KIRK SCHLUETER  
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No. 18 Truman State womens soccer played Quincy to a 1-1 double overtime draw Tuesday at the Bulldog soccer field to bring their record for the season to 8-2-1.

The game was the second time all season the Bulldogs have not won a home game after dropping their home opener 2-1 to No. 5 Minnesota State-Mankato Aug. 31.

Although currently unranked, Quincy was the No. 7 team in the nation last week before a loss to No. 20 William Jewell dropped them out of the top 25.

The Hawks struck first in Kirksville Thursday, scoring at the 12:32 mark to take an early 1-0 lead. Despite seven shots in the first half, Truman could not answer and Quincy held the lead at halftime.

The Bulldogs evened up the score at 71:18 in the second half on a goal from freshman Alexis Heffernan.

Despite out-shooting Quincy 8-2 during the two overtime periods and 6-1 during the second overtime period alone, Truman was unable to score. The women defeated the University of Central Missouri 1-0 Sunday during a game that did not count toward the MIAA standings.

With the victory, the Bulldogs improved their record for

the year to 8-2. The game was the first time Truman defeated the Jennies during the team's last six games. Truman's last win against UCM came during 2009.

Senior Kelsey Twellman made the lone goal of the day early during the seventh minute. The goal was Twellman's fourth of the year. The Bulldogs kept the lead the rest of the way behind four saves in goal by junior Emily Bozdeck, who recorded her seventh shutout this season.

The Bulldogs also were successful Friday afternoon against Missouri Southern, downing the Lions 2-0.

Junior Trisha Shoemaker scored her team-leading ninth goal of the season during the eighth minute to give the 'Dogs the early lead. It was the seventh time Shoemaker has scored Truman's first goal of a game this season.

During the 68th minute, freshman Alexis Heffernan scored to extend the Bulldogs' lead to two, which would prove to be enough. Bozdeck made two saves en route to the shutout.

Truman is back in action Sunday, Oct. 7 against Lindenwood University at home in an MIAA matchup. The 'Dogs are 4-1 in conference play and third in the MIAA standings behind Central Oklahoma and Central Missouri.

## Volleyball improves to 12-4 after weekend home stand

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Truman State volleyball completed a successful weekend home stand Saturday night to improve to 12-4 with a 5-2 conference record for the season, defeating Northwest Missouri State University during three sets at Pershing Arena.

Freshman Abby Heise led the way for the Bulldogs with nine kills and two service aces. Sophomore Allie Brak also had nine kills, while senior Megan Sharpe had eight.

Truman trailed the Bearcats early during the first set. But after senior Emily Brisenko killed a set from

sophomore Meghan Zimmerman to put the Bulldogs up 7-6, Truman didn't trail again the entire night.

The win keeps the Bulldogs in fifth place in the MIAA, just behind Northwest Missouri. The other top three teams are all ranked in the top ten nationally.

Truman had a harder time coming away with the win Friday night, but led by Brak with 19 kills, the Bulldogs defeated Missouri Western State University 3-1.

The 'Dogs took the first set 25-14 to take a quick lead in the match, but the next three sets would all be close. Truman won the second set 26-24, but was unable to finish in set

three, as the Griffons won the set 25-23 to send the match to a fourth and deciding set.

Despite eight kills during the fourth set from Brak, Truman trailed 20-24, with Missouri Western serving for game point. The 'Dogs rallied and won six straight points on freshman Ali Patterson's serve to take the final set 26-24 and seal the home victory Brak's 19 kills tied her career high set.

Truman volleyball is back in action next Friday and Saturday at the Washburn Lady Blues Crossover in Topeka, Kan. against four nonconference opponents from the Great American Conference.

## Mens and womens tennis come out of tournament on top

BY TYLER POE  
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When the lights went down on the tennis courts Tuesday night, the Truman State mens and womens tennis teams emerged with victories against Quincy University.

The men downed the Hawks 7-2, while the women triumphed with a score of 6-3.

Both teams were victorious at 2 and 3 doubles to take an early lead. The men then won the two through six singles matches, with only sophomore Griffin Smith at two and junior Adam King at three facing difficult matches.

The women won four singles matches, led by senior Maggi Schutte's victory at one singles. Sophomore Kati Austin was also victorious at two singles filling in for the injured Kim Birenbaum.

During the weekend, the men won 32 of 40 matches played at the 2012 Truman Men's Tennis Invitational. The Bulldogs won three of four individual flights in round robin play while all four doubles teams went undefeated during the weekend.

Junior Mike Merchant, freshman Tanner Morris and junior Joe Stuhlmann finished the tournament without a blemish, going undefeated during their respec-

tive flights. Merchant continued his winning streak with his fifth straight victory this season.

Playing in the number one spot, sophomore Jake Olhausen continued his productive season for the Bulldogs defeating Alec Belden of Westminster by the score of 6-1, 6-3 and Connor Stephenson 6-1, 6-0 before losing during round robin play to Tony Stephenson 1-8. Olhausen went 3-1 during the weekend and will compete in the number one position again at the Quincy Invitational occurring this week.

The Bulldogs will continue their season this Tuesday at the Quincy Invitational.