



P&D FILE PHOTO
South Dakota goalkeeper Mackenzie Viktor grabs a ball during the first half of the Coyotes' season-opening match with Loyola. The Coyotes have won as many matches this season (3) as they did in the previous two.

USD Enjoying Early Success

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VERMILLION — Though still early in its season, the USD women's soccer team is already on pace for its best showing at the Division I level.

The proof: The Coyotes, at 3-1-2, boast as many wins now as they had combined between the previous two seasons. USD is unbeaten in its last four games, including Sunday's double overtime tie with Nevada.

And for good measure, the Coyotes are already within range of the five victories by the 2008 team that kick-started the D-I campaign.

Calling it a "dream come true," junior midfielder Kaiti Porter compared it to "finally" being on the train tracks, heading in the right direction.

"We've worked so hard and been through so much since my freshman year; we deserve this," she said Monday. "We're finally on the right track and it almost feels impossible to fall off.

"It encourages us to even work harder and harder, because we like this feeling of being on track."

Using that analogy, the steam that has propelled the 2013 locomotive has been defense.

Prior to the start of the season, head coach Mandy Green made clear that one of her team's aims was to break the school record for fewest goals allowed in a season — 22 set back in 2005.

"We talk about defending literally every single day," Green said Monday.

And so far those chats — not to mention the numerous practices in the late summer heat — have paid off for the Coyotes.

Through six games, the team has allowed a total of six goals, an improvement from the 15 it gave up through at the same point a year ago.

Still with 12 games remaining on the season (including seven in the Summit League), the Coyotes, yes, are feeling pretty good.

"I know that we'll win a lot more; we're that confident," freshman forward Jamie Karch said Monday. "I just feel like we have to continue to work hard."

And of course, that starts with defense, Karch said — adding, with a chuckle, that she's never worked as much on defense in her career.

"It's good that everyone knows how to defend, then we can finally move on to offense," said Karch, the team leader in points (7) and goals (3). "You have to build from the back and connect passes; that's how you win the ball back."

And those wins are extra special for those players who experienced a 3-28-6 record over the past two years, said Porter, one of 11 juniors for the Coyotes.

"It makes you appreciate it that much more too."

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No. 23 Huskers Out To Settle Score Against Bruins

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LINCOLN, Neb. (AP) — Minutes after his team finished its win over Southern Mississippi, Nebraska coach Bo Pelini reminded his players that they have a score to settle this week against UCLA.

"They're coming into our house, and we owe them," players said Pelini told them before he walked out of the locker room.

Pelini on Monday downplayed, but didn't dismiss getting even as an incentive for the 23rd-ranked Cornhuskers in their meeting with the No. 16 Bruins (1-0) on Saturday in Lincoln.

Last year, the Huskers lost 36-30 in Los Angeles and gave up 653 yards — the second-most ever against a Nebraska defense.

Pelini said an estimated 300 of those 653 yards came after Nebraska defenders had made initial contact. The coach doesn't expect his players to forget that.

"I would hope, and I'm pretty positive, our team is motivated no matter what the situation," he said. "It just so happens we played this team a year ago, so if that provides our guys with extra motivation, so be it. I would hope it does. Hopefully that motivation will come in the form of great preparation, because that's

how you win a football game."

The Huskers said they were caught off-guard by the 2012 Bruins, who had a new coach in Jim Mora and new quarterback in Brett Hundley.

There are no excuses this year for the Huskers (2-0), who have ample video of UCLA's 9-5 season and its 58-20 win over Nevada in its season opener.

Hundley is well-established as one of the nation's top run-pass threats, and he's earning some mention as a Heisman Trophy candidate.

He threw for 274 yards and two touchdowns and ran for 63 yards and two more scores in the win over Nevada.

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Blazing Fast



LEFT: Wagner's Nick Dion is all alone in front of the pack during the varsity boys' race at Monday's Scotland Invitational in Scotland. Dion won, helping the Red Raiders to the boys' title.
RIGHT: Bon Homme's Maddison Hajek, left and Winner's Chloe Bartels run neck-and-neck during the varsity girls' 4,000-meter team country race at Monday's Scotland Invitational in Scotland. Bartels won with Hajek second, but Ethan-Parkston took the girls' team title.



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E-P Girls, Wagner Boys Win At Scotland

SCOTLAND — The Ethan-Parkston girls and Wagner boys claimed top honors in the Scotland Invitational cross country meet, held on Monday at Dawson Creek Golf Course in Scotland.

Ethan-Parkston finished with 16 points, half the score of runner-up Bon Homme. Winner was third with 36 points.

Winner's Chloe Bartels won the 4,000-meter race in 16:11, four seconds faster than Bon Homme's Maddison Hajek. Taya Heisinger of Ethan-Parkston placed third in 16:43.

Nick Dion led Wagner to the boys' title, winning the 5,000-meter race in 18:09. Winner's Colton Schuyler (18:17) was second, followed by Burke-South Central's Tyson Vogt (18:36).

McCrossan finished second at 29 points, followed by Winner (34) and Bon Homme (36).

GIRLS' DIVISION
TEAM SCORES: Ethan-Parkston 16, Bon Homme 32,

Winner 36, Canistota 56, Chamberlain 56, Platte-Geddes 62

TOP 20: 1. Chloe Bartels, Winner 16:11; 2. Maddison Hajek, Bon Homme 16:15; 3. Taya Heisinger, Ethan-Parkston 16:43; 4. Reganne Engelbrecht, Platte-Geddes 17:21; 5. Jessica Enders, Ethan-Parkston 17:47; 6. Emily Hanson, Hanson 17:56; 7. Morgan Rothschild, Bon Homme 18:13; 8. Shailyn Schweigert, Burke-South Central 18:23; 9. Katie Murtha, Ethan-Parkston 18:32; 10. Abby Hanson, Hanson 18:33; 11. Brianna Johnson, Burke-South Central 18:36; 12. Cassidy Buse, Canistota 18:37; 13. Jayden Bornmann, Ethan-Parkston 18:41; 14. Sierra Volaw, Burke-South Central 18:47; 15. Madeline Tyeel, Chamberlain 18:50; 16. Lexie Fernau, Burke-South Central 18:51; 17. Allison Sebern, Burke-South Central 18:58; 18. Hayley Halverson, Winner 18:59; 19. Sierra Liewer, Burke-South Central 19:07; 20. Ryahna Schweigert, Burke-South Central 19:08

BOYS' DIVISION
TEAM SCORES: Wagner 18, McCrossan 29, Winner 34, Bon Homme 36, South Central 43, Ethan-Parkston 44, Marty Indian 59, Bridgewater-Emery 94

TOP 20: 1. Nick Dion, Wagner 18:09; 2. Colton Schuyler, Winner 18:17; 3. Tyson Vogt, Burke-South Central 18:36; 4. Nick Zolnowsky, Ethan-Parkston 18:39; 5. Orson Running Enemy, McCrossan 19:25; 6. Kyle Klinnert, Bon Homme 19:43; 7. Edward Solo, McCrossan 19:50; 8. Jacob Mattis, Wagner 20:00; 9. Trajan Holiday, Wagner 20:07; 10. Jacob Lopez, Chamberlain 20:14; 11. Hugh Jackovich, Wagner 20:22; 12. Damien Fuerst, Scotland 20:23; 13. Richard N., Burke-South Central 20:31; 14. Nathaniel Klinnert, Bon Homme 20:37; 15. Pat Aeschbacher, Winner 20:42; 16. Mason Decker, Canistota 20:48; 17. Hunter Jackson, Ethan-Parkston 20:56; 18. Arlan Iron Elk, Marty Indian 20:59; 19. Derek Wynia, Platte-Geddes 21:01; 20. Ashton Zepher, Wagner 21:06

Augustana Twilight
SIOUX FALLS — Gayville-Volin's Laura Nelson ran away

from a largely big-school field to win the girls' race of the Augustana Twilight cross country meet, held late Friday at Yankton Trails Park.

Nelson ran the two-mile race in 11:18.60, 20 seconds faster than Lincoln's Mollie Kelly.

West Central's Summer Smith (11:40.03) and Hanna Wahl (11:54.18) finished third and fourth.

Sioux Falls Lincoln put six runners in the top 10 in the high school boys' division. Lincoln's Will Lauer won the 3-mile race in 14:28, five seconds ahead of teammate Nathan Schroeder.

BOYS' DIVISION
TOP 5: 1. Will Lauer, Lincoln 14:28.00; 2. Nathan Schroeder, Lincoln 14:33.17; 3. Jesus Urtusustegui, Roosevelt 14:37.78; 4. Free Bump, Lincoln 14:43.00; 5. Tyler Slaba, Roosevelt 15:12.76

AREA: 44, Cole Hofer, Freeman Academy 17:39.23; 45, Josh Stahl, Freeman Academy 17:52.71

GIRLS' DIVISION
TOP 5: 1. Laura Nelson, Gayville-Volin 11:18.60; 2. Mollie Kelly, Lincoln 11:38.90; 3. Summer Smith, West Central 11:40.03; 4. Hanna Wahl, West Central 11:54.18; 5. Kylie Werner, Roosevelt 11:59.67

AREA: 29, Clara Koerner, Freeman Academy 13:48.79

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Parkston Golfers Win Home Invite

MITCHELL — The Parkston Trojans beat out a 10-team field that included two Class AA teams in claiming a 13-stroke victory at its home boys' golf invitational, held on Monday at Mitchell's Lake-

view Golf Course.

Parkston had three golfers shoot 74 or 75 and put its four top golfers in the top nine to finish at 304, well ahead of Dell Rapids. Mitchell was third at 321, followed by

Pierre at 357.

Mitchell's Jacob Rice won with a 73. Parkston's Jake Weber and Ty Kinneberg, and Mitchell's Jaron Weich all shot 74.

TEAM SCORES: Parkston Varsity 304, Dell Rapids 317, Mitchell Black 321, Pierre 357, Mitchell Gold 362,

Chamberlain 369, Parkston JV 395, Wagner 445

TOP 15: Jacob Rice, Mitchell Black 73; Jake Weber, Parkston 74; Jaron Weich, Mitchell Black 74; Ty Kinneberg, Parkston 74; Adam Karst, Dell Rapids 75; Garrett Hohn, Parkston 75; Ty Hoglund, Dell Rapids 79; Zach Schroeder, Dell Rapids 80; Jacob Lee, Parkston 81; Tegen Priebe, Chamberlain 82; Anthony Bizardi, Todd County 83; Devon Weber, Dell Rapids 83; Landon Pooley, Mitchell Black 83; Alex Scott, Parkston JV 85; Adam Hutmacher, Chamberlain 86

Frenetic Eagles Roll Past Washington 33-27

LANDOVER, Md. (AP) — Just try to keep up with Michael Vick, LeSean McCoy and the Philadelphia Eagles this season. Robert Griffin III and the Washington Redskins sure couldn't.

Playing at a frenetic pace that left the Redskins stumbling and stumbling, the Eagles unleashed coach Chip Kelly's offense on the NFL and crammed 77 plays into 60 minutes of football. They had their share of miscues, of course, but they held on for a 33-27 upset of the defending NFC East champs.

Vick, running the don't-take-a-breath attack that won 87 percent of the time during Kelly's four years at the University of Oregon, completed 15 of 25 passes for 203 yards and two touchdowns, and he ran nine times for 56 yards and a score. McCoy had 31 carries for 184 yards, including a 34-yard TD. DeSean Jackson piled up 104 yards on seven catches.

Vick hit Jackson for a 25-yard touchdown and Brent Celek for a 28-yard score, then found the end zone himself on a 3-yard run — and that was just the first half. It would have been a bigger rout if Vick hadn't missed three open receivers in the first quarter, or if his sideways lat-

eral on first-and-goal at the 4 hadn't been tipped by linebacker Ryan Kerrigan and returned 75 yards for a Redskins touchdown.

Perhaps the most remarkable accomplishment by Vick, McCoy, Kelly and the Eagles: They managed to upstage Griffin. The game was played eight months to the day since the Redskins quarterback had major knee surgery, and his return Monday was the culmination of a dedicated, high-profile rehab that included a public clash with Washington coach Mike Shanahan that barely put a dent in the fans' fervent adoration for their franchise player.

As it turned out, they didn't have much of a chance to chant "R-G-3!" — because the Redskins offense couldn't stay on the field. Their first seven plays: lost fumble by Alfred Morris, 3-yard loss by Morris, penalty for illegal shift, screen to Morris that got back some yards, interception thrown by Griffin into triple coverage, pass dropped by fullback Darrel Young, safety that occurred when Morris bobbled a pitch in the end zone.

The Redskins were trailing 33-7 late in the third quarter before three consecutive touchdowns — the last coming with

1:14 to play — made the score more respectable.

Wearing a brace on his right knee, Griffin completed 30 of 49 passes for 329 yards, but 169 yards came in the fourth after the Eagles had taken control. He was also intercepted twice — the first multi-interception game of his career. He ran only five times for 24 yards. He reached down to touch his knee after he was slammed down by Mychal Kendricks late in the second quarter — Griffin was flagged for intentional grounding on the play — but the quarterback remained in the game.

Washington didn't run a play in Philadelphia territory until the second half. At one point, the Eagles were out-gaining the Redskins 146-3. There was a moment in the second quarter when the weary defense had more cramps (two) than the offense had first downs (one). Even Kai Forbath, who made 17 of 18 field goals in his rookie year, was wide right in the third quarter. Shanahan's team also committed 10 penalties for 75 yards. Kerrigan left in the fourth quarter with concussion symptoms.



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Yankton pitcher Jaclyn Arens sends the ball home during the opening game of the Gazelles' softball doubleheader with top-ranked Sioux Falls Washington on Monday at Yankton's Sertoma Park. Results were not available at presstime.