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TRUMAN MEN'S SOCCER TAKES WINNING STREAK AND NO. 5 NATIONAL RANKING TO COLORADO

THE GAME: Truman State University Bulldogs (Independent/NCAA II) vs. Colorado School of Mines Orediggers (Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference/NCAA II)

Date: Friday, Oct. 3, 2003

Time: 7 p.m. (MST)

Location: Golden, Colo.

THE GAME: Truman State University Bulldogs (Independent/NCAA II) vs. Colorado Christian Cougars (Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference/NCAA II)

Date: Sunday, Oct. 5, 2003

Time: 12 p.m. (MST)

Location: Lakewood, Colo.

TRUMAN (8-0-0 OVERALL): Truman will take its 8-0-0 record to Colorado this upcoming weekend as it faces Colorado School of Mines on Friday night and Colorado Christian on Sunday afternoon.

Last weekend, the Bulldogs played just once, defeating Missouri-Rolla by a 2-0 score. The win helped the squad move up to fifth in this week's national poll.

Truman has the opportunity to rewrite its record book this weekend. A pair of wins would tie three records: the best start in school history, the most consecutive wins for a Truman team and most consecutive games unbeaten.

The Bulldogs are also looking to extend its shutout streak which currently stands at six games, which ties the school record. If the team can manage two shutouts this weekend, they will be just the 12th team in NCAA Division II history with eight or more straight shutouts.

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES (5-5-0): The Orediggers are 5-5 overall on the year, but have an 0-4 record outside of Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference play. The team, which has been ranked in the top 25 this year, has lost three straight, all by shutouts.

Colorado School of Mines is strong defensively with a team goals against average of 0.88. The team has allowed just one goal or less in every game but two. Kevin Galloway has seen most of the action in goal. He has a 0.92 goals against average and two shutouts in nine games.

Offensively, the Orediggers are averaging 1.3 goals a game. Scott Phipps leads the team with three goals while four players are tied with two apiece. Jared Peacock has six of the team's 10 assists on the year.

Colorado School of Mines is coached by Frank Kohlenstein. He has a 64-41-5 record in six years at the school and a 315-128-35 mark in 24 years as a collegiate head coach.

This match will be the first meeting all-time between Truman and the Orediggers.

COLORADO CHRISTIAN (1-9-0):

Before a Wednesday contest with Metro State, the Cougars were 1-9 on the year and on a nine-match losing streak.

Colorado Christian is allowing just under four goals a game while averaging just 1.27. The team is being outshot by an average of 26-10.

Chris Palik is the top offensive threat for the Cougars. He has five goals and one assist on the year. Bodi Gauksson and Jordann Griffith each have a pair of goals.

A.J. Kurtz has been in goal in seven matches and has a 3.73 goals against average. Joe Marino has been in net in four matches and has a 3.71 average.

Head coach of Colorado Christian

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2003 BULLDOG SCHEDULE

Aug. 30-31	at Quincy Soccer Bowl (Ill.)	
Aug. 30	vs. SIU-Edwardsville	W 1-0
Sept. 6	Lewis (Ill.)	W 3-2
Sept. 7	Wisconsin-Parkside	W 1-0 (OT)
Sept. 13	@ Northern Kentucky	W 2-0
Sept. 14	@ Indianapolis (Ind.)	W 1-0
Sept. 20	@ Rockhurst	W 2-0
Sept. 21	William Penn (Iowa)	W 2-0
Sept. 27	@ Missouri-Rolla	W 2-0
Oct. 3	@ Colorado School of Mines, 8 p.m.	
Oct. 5	@ Colorado Christian, 1 p.m.	
Oct. 10	@ Southern Indiana, 5 p.m.	
Oct. 11	@ Oakland City (Ind.), 2 p.m.	
Oct. 18	Gannon (Pa.), 12 p.m.	
Oct. 22	Missouri-St. Louis, 3 p.m.	
Oct. 26	@ William Woods, 1 p.m.	
Oct. 28	@ Quincy (Ill.), 7:30 p.m.	
Oct. 31	@ Christian Brothers (Tenn.), 7 p.m.	
Nov. 2	vs. Harding (in Memphis, Tenn.), 12 p.m.	
Nov. 8	Missouri Southern, 2 p.m.	

NSCAA/ADIDAS NATIONAL POLL

	Record	Prev.
1. Lynn University (Fla.)	9-0-0	1
2. East Stroudsburg (Pa.)	8-0-1	4
3. Incarnate Word (Texas)	8-0-1	5
4. South Carolina-Spartanburg	6-0-0	6
5. Truman	8-0-0	7
6. Cal State Dominguez Hills	9-1-1	2
7. Southern Connecticut State	6-1-1	8
8. Mercyhurst (Pa.)	6-1-0	3
9. Rollins College (Fla.)	6-0-1	10
10. North Carolina-Pembroke	8-0-0	14
11. UC-Davis	4-1-3	19
12. Fort Lewis (Colo.)	7-2-0	13
13. New York Institute of Technology	6-1-2	NR
14. SIU-Edwardsville	6-2-0	19
15. Ashland (Ohio)	6-1-1	17
16. Franklin Pierce (N.H.)	5-3-1	24
17. Nova Southeastern (Fla.)	6-2-1	NR
18. Cal State Bakersfield	6-2-2	NR
19. Northeastern State (Okla.)	6-2-0	22
20. Tusculum (Tenn.)	6-1-1	NR
21. Shippensburg (Pa.)	7-2-0	NR
22. Southern Indiana	5-3-0	NR
23. Tampa (Fla.)	5-1-2	18
24. Northwood (Mich.)	5-3-0	NR
25. Chico State (Calif.)	8-2-1	11

NSCAA/ADIDAS REGIONAL POLL

	Record	Prev.
1. Truman	8-0-0	1
2. SIU-Edwardsville	6-2-0	2
3. Southern Indiana	5-3-0	5
4. Rockhurst	4-4-0	2
5. Wisconsin-Parkside	6-3-0	9

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is Brian Todd, who is in his first year as a collegiate head coach.

The match between Colorado Christian and Truman will also be the first between the two schools.

TRUMAN VS. MISSOURI-ROLLA: The Bulldogs won another regional road battle on Saturday with a 2-0 victory over Missouri-Rolla. Truman is now 7-0 on the year in games against Central region opponents.

The Bulldogs outshot the Miners 17-9 for the game, including a 7-5 margin on shots on goal. Two early goals by new sources was the difference in the game.

Brenton Freeman scored his first goal of the season and first game-winning goal of his career in the 16th minute. Sean Birrell received his team-high third assist on the goal. In the 30th minute, Ryan Cravens scored his first collegiate goal off an assist from Geoff Brengle, Brengle's first point of the 2003 season.

Nate Gibson recorded the shutout in goal for the Bulldogs. He had to make seven saves in his sixth shutout of the year. Gibson has now not allowed a goal in his last 473:14 in goal.

NATIONAL STATISTICS: Through Sept. 21, Truman led the nation in shutout percentage (0.86), was second in goals against average (0.28) and one of five teams in Division II with a 1.000 winning percentage.

Individually, Nate Gibson was fourth in the country with a 0.329 goals against average.

Currently, the Bulldogs have a 0.88 shutout percentage and a 0.25 goals against average. Gibson has a 0.28 goals against average.

HEAD COACH ALF BILBAO:

Alf Bilbao became the seventh coach in the 24-year history of Bulldog soccer prior to the 1998 season. His teams have compiled a mark of 72-23-7 (.740), giving him the best winning percentage of any head coach in school history. Prior to the season, he ranked seven among active Division II coaches in winning percentage. He needs five more wins to tie the Truman mark for most wins by a men's soccer head coach.

UP NEXT: The Bulldogs end a five-match road trip with a pair of games in Indiana. On Oct. 10, the team takes on Southern Indiana, and the following day, Truman is at Oakland City.

2003 TRUMAN STATISTICS

Name	GP-GS	G	A	Pts	Sh	Sh%	Y-R	GW	PK-AT
Sean Birrell	8-8	3	3	9	18	.167	2-0	2	0-0
Martin Clayes	8-1	3	2	8	13	.231	0-0	3	1-1
Ricky Vigil	8-8	3	0	6	18	.167	2-0	0	1-1
Chad Baldwin	8-3	2	1	5	9	.222	1-0	1	0-0
Ryan Cravens	8-8	1	1	3	8	.125	2-0	0	0-0
Brenton Freeman	7-7	1	0	2	7	.143	1-0	1	0-0
Mike Boyle	8-8	1	0	2	3	.333	0-0	1	0-0
Geoff Brengle	7-4	0	1	1	2	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Brett Coppage	8-8	0	0	0	14	.000	1-0	0	0-0
Luke Bolar	7-5	0	0	0	10	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Bryan Defoe	8-8	0	0	0	6	.000	1-0	0	0-0
Nate Gaudreault	5-4	0	0	0	5	.000	1-0	0	0-0
Brent Rauch	4-0	0	0	0	5	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Lars Pottgiesser	3-0	0	0	0	2	.000	1-0	0	0-0
Jared Atwood	8-8	0	0	0	2	.000	3-0	0	0-0
Kevin Barry	1-0	0	0	0	1	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Andy Lakers	5-0	0	0	0	1	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Nate Gibson	7-7	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Paul Link	5-0	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Adam Johnson	1-1	0	0	0	0	.000	0-0	0	0-0
Total	8	14	8	36	124	.113	15-0	8	2-2
Opponents	8	2	0	4	70	.029	8-1	0	0-0

Name	GP-GS	GOAL AVERAGE			SAVES		RECORD			
		Min.	GA	Avg	Saves	Pct	W	L	T	Sho
Adam Johnson	1-1	90:00	0	0.00	7	1.000	1	0	0	1
Nate Gibson	7-7	637:50	2	0.28	28	.933	7	0	0	6
Total	8	727:50	2	0.25	35	.946	8	0	0	7
Opponents	8	727:50	14	1.73	43	.754	0	8	0	0

2003 TRUMAN ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.	Hometown	Previous School(s)
0	Adam Johnson *	GK	5-11	180	Sr.	Des Moines, Iowa	Hoover
2	Jared Atwood *	M	5-11	170	So.	Lee's Summit, Mo.	Lee's Summit North
3	Mike Boyle *	B	6-1	190	So.	St. Louis	CBC
4	Andy Lakers **	B	6-0	165	Jr.	Urbandale, Iowa	Urbandale
5	Bryan Defoe **	B	5-10	175	Sr.	Blue Springs, Mo.	Blue Springs
6	Ryan Cravens	B	5-10	156	Fr.	Fulton, Mo.	Fulton
7	Geoff Brengle *	M	5-6	145	So.	Arnold, Mo.	Fox
8	Luke Bolar **	M	6-2	175	Jr.	Marshalltown, Iowa	Marshalltown
9	Lars Pottgiesser (POT-gees-er) *	F	6-0	176	So.	Hattingen, Germany	Gymnasium Waldstrasse
10	Brett Coppage (CAHP-ihj) ***	M	5-8	155	Sr.	Kansas City, Mo.	Rockhurst
11	Sean Birrell (Beer-ELL) *	F	6-0	175	So.	Perth, Scotland	Perth (Univ. of Stirling)
12	Brenton Freeman **	M	6-0	190	Jr.	Urbandale, Iowa	Urbandale
13	Brent Rauch (like owe) *	B	6-0	200	Jr.	Urbandale, Iowa	Urbandale
14	Ricky Vigil (VEE-hill) ***	F	5-11	185	Sr.	Crestwood, Mo.	SLUH
15	Nate Gaudreault (Goo-DROW) *	M	6-1	169	So.	Granite City, Ill.	Granite City
16	Paul Link *	M	6-0	167	So.	Prairie Village, Kan.	Rockhurst
17	Martin Clayes (KLAYS) *	M	5-8	150	So.	Perth, Scotland	St. Columbus (Napier Univ.)
18	Chad Baldwin *	M	6-0	175	So.	St. Peters, Mo.	Ft. Zumwalt South
19	Kevin Barry *	M	6-0	155	Jr.	Webster Groves, Mo.	CBC (Forest Park CC)
20	Nathan Pearsall (PEERCE-all) %	B	6-1	175	Fr.	Colorado Springs, Co.	Doherty
21	Wes Frevert (FREE-vurt) %	B	6-1	160	Fr.	Lee's Summit, Mo.	Lee's Summit North
22	Sam Phelps	B	5-10	173	Fr.	Jefferson City, Mo.	Jefferson City
23	Matt McCarthy	B	6-0	170	Fr.	Glendale, Mo.	SLUH
24	Andrew Pichee	B	5-7	175	Fr.	Town and Country, Mo.	Chaminade
25	Stian Gundersen	B	6-2	170	Fr.	Rygge, Norway	Bjorkness Private
31	Nate Gibson %	GK	6-0	200	Fr.	Edwardsville, Ill.	Edwardsville

Head Coach: Alf Bilbao

Student Assistant: David Salvatierra

* Letters Earned * Previously Redshirted