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LONE STAR CONFERENCE SOCCER

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LSC SOCCER

Lone Star Conference action carries on this week with five contests. Angelo State and Midwestern State top the standings with identical 2-1 league records for six points.

The women's teams are 29-23-10 overall this season. The squads are currently 5-6-3 combined versus Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference teams, and 4-4-1 against the Heartland Conference, which are the other conferences in the NCAA South Central Region.

PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

OFFENSIVE

Tatyanny Griffiths, Midwestern State University, SR, MF, Dallas, Texas, Hebron HS

Griffiths started and ended the scoring with a two goals to lead Midwestern State to a 3-2 double overtime win Sunday afternoon over No. 24 Texas A&M-Commerce. It was her first career multiple-goal game as she played a hand in each of MSU's three goals. The senior midfielder from Dallas chipped in a deflection for the first score of the game in the 21st minute then served in a cross which led to the second and equalizing goal in the 79th minute. Griffith's serve toward an open net in the closing seconds of the first overtime bounded off the hand of an A&M-Commerce defender resulting in her game-winning penalty kick.

DEFENSIVE

Kallie Essary, Midwestern State University, SR, Carrollton, Texas, Hebron HS

Essary clinched her shutout of the season and allowed one goal in the run of play in leading Midwestern State to consecutive road wins over Texas Woman's and Texas A&M-Commerce last weekend. The senior from Carrollton stopped four shots in MSU's 1-0 win over the Pioneers Friday night then recorded six saves allowing a two goals -- one on a penalty kick -- in a 3-2 overtime win at Texas A&M-Commerce. Essary improved to 7-3 with a 0.81 goals against average and a .843 save percentage.

OTHER TOP PERFORMERS

Maurisa Jones, Eastern New Mexico University, tallied two goals for the Zias in a win over West Texas A&M, last week. The two goals matched the previous team high against the Lady Buffs.

Haleigh Wanzer, Texas Woman's University, helped the Pioneers snap a four-game winless streak with a 2-1 victory over Angelo State on Sunday. She scored the game-winning goal in the 81st minute in a come from behind victory. Wanzer, known for her long throw, set up numerous scoring opportunities for TWU to put pressure Angelo State the entire game.

Selena Alvarez, Angelo State University, scored her fourth goal of the season last Friday in Angelo State's 1-0 win over Texas A&M-Commerce off a header just before halftime. Alvarez, who leads the Rambelles with her season goal total, now has five goals in her two years at Angelo State. She had five shots in the two games played last week and continues to also play strong to battle for possession to help the ASU defense as well. She has scored her four goals on only 13 shots through the first 10 games this season.

Dominique Premac, West Texas A&M University, tallied the Lady Buffs' only goal on Sunday in their loss at Eastern New Mexico. It was her first goal as a Lady Buff after transferring from Northern Colorado. She also put up three shots while placing two of them on target in 79 minutes of action.

Savannah Henderson, Texas A&M University - Commerce, scored the second goal for A&M-Commerce versus Midwestern State that broke a 1-1 tie in the second half of a 3-2 overtime loss for the Lions. The goal came off a free kick from at least 30 yards out and was Henderson's fifth goal of the season. Henderson leads the Lions in goals and points and is second in the LSC with her five goals.

Alyxandra Ortiz, Eastern New Mexico University, allowed just one goal over 135 minutes of play, to earn wins over Lubbock Christian and West Texas A&M. Her five saves on Sunday allowed the Zias to register their fourth win over the Lady Buffs.

Brooke Hill, Texas Woman's University, helped the Pioneers to 1-1-0 record against the top-two teams in the Lone Star Conference last week. The two goals scored against TWU were on a penalty kick and on a corner kick. Hill led the Pioneers' defense and never allowed scoring opportunities for Midwestern State and Angelo State.

Caitlyn Conaway, Angelo State University, continues to play strong defense for the Rambelles who earned a shutout-win over Texas A&M-Commerce last Friday before TWU took a 2-1 win over ASU last Sunday. Conaway, who was named the LSC's Preseason Co-Defensive Player of the Year, has been a vital part of the ASU defense which has allowed only seven goals through the first 10 games of the season. Conaway and ASU have had five shutouts this season.

LSC NOTES (Submitted by LSC SID's)

Angelo State

The Rambelles went 1-1-0 last week with a 1-0 win over Texas A&M-Commerce before seeing TWU score two unanswered goals in a 2-1 win over ASU last Sunday. ASU's loss at TWU snapped a program-best five-game winning streak and was its first loss in conference play this season. Selena Alvarez scored the game-winner at A&M-Commerce with Brittany Martinez scoring on a corner kick against TWU. Martinez also had the assists on Alvarez's goal. Dani Edwards recorded four saves over the weekend in goal for the Rambelles and now has 28 saves this season. ASU has held opponents scoreless in half of its 10 games this season and has won six of its last eight contests. The Rambelles, who are coming off a five-game road trip, return home to host West Texas

2013 LSC STANDINGS

	LSC		Overall
Team	W-L	Pts	W-L
Angelo State	2-1	6	6-3-1
Midwestern State	2-1	6	7-3
West Texas A&M	1-1-1	4	3-4-4
Texas Woman's	1-2-1	4	4-6-2
Texas A&M-Commerce	1-2-1	4	5-3-1
Eastern New Mexico	1-1-1	4	4-4-2

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Thursday, October 10, 2013

*Texas Woman's at Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.

Friday, October 11, 2013

- *West Texas A&M at Angelo State, 4 p.m.
- *Eastern New Mexico at Midwestern State, 6 p.m.

Saturday, October 12, 2013

Oklahoma Christian at Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m.

Sunday, October 13, 2013

- *West Texas A&M at Midwestern State, 1 p.m.
- *Eastern New Mexico at Angelo State, 2 p.m.

All times are CST; * denotes LSC game

LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Complete results at lonestarconference.org.

WEEKLY AWARDS

Women's Offensive

- S-11 Kathleen Keoughan, ASU
- S-18 Ashley Cottrell, MSU
- S-25 Brionna Minde, A&M-C
- O-2 Savannah Henderson, A&M-C
- O-9 Tatyanny Griffiths, MSU

Women's Defensive

- S-11 Vicky Back, A&M-C
- S-18 Alyxandra Ortiz, ENMU
- S-25 Yvette Bedoy, WTAMU
- O-2 Yvette Bedoy, WTAMU
- O-9 Kallie Essary, MSU



A&M and Eastern New Mexico this weekend at the ASU Soccer Field.

Eastern New Mexico

Maurisa Jones tallied two goals, while Alyxandra Ortiz made six saves to earn a pair of wins, last week. Alysia Carrasco's second-half goal allowed ENMU to earn their first-ever win over Lubbock Christian, last Thursday. It also marked the first time this season that the Zias completed a home game in regulation play. On Sunday, the Zias registered multiple goals against West Texas A&M for the fourth time in team history, scoring the most goals against the Lady Buffs in team history. Jones tallied the winning goal in the second half an added an insurance goal on the way to a 4-1 win. This week, ENMU will visit Midwestern State and Angelo State.

Midwestern State

Midwestern State surged to the top of the Lone Star Conference standings after claiming back-to-back road wins over Texas Woman's and Texas A&M-Commerce last weekend to move to 7-3 overall and to 2-1 in league play... Both of MSU's game-winning goals came as a result of penalty kicks... Sophomore Ashley Cottrell converted her LSC leading sixth goal of the season on a PK in the 80th minute Friday night in a 1-0 win at Texas Woman's... Senior midfielder Tatyanny Griffiths converted a PK with one second left in the first overtime period to give the Mustangs a 3-2 win over Texas A&M-Commerce. It was her first collegiate PK and just her third collegiate goal as she also tallied the first score of the game in the 21st minute... Sophomore defender Alex Edwards scored her first collegiate goal to give MSU the equalizer in the 79th minute Sunday afternoon in Commerce... The Mustangs have scored three goals in five of their last seven matches to rank second in the LSC with 1.70 goals per game... Cottrell ranks 47th in NCAA II and leads the LSC in total goals with six while ranking 59th nationally in total points (14.0), 70th in goals per game (0.6) and 85th in points per game (1.4)... Senior goalkeeper Kallie Essary notched her third shutout of the season while making four saves Friday night against Texas Woman's... Essary ranks 49th in NCAA Division II in save percentage (0.84) and 58th in goals against average (0.81)... MSU has won six of its last seven matches while outscoring the opposition 16-7 during the stretch...

Texas A&M-Commerce

The Lions dropped both games this past week to visiting Angelo State and Midwestern State.

Texas Woman's

TWU soccer team posted a 1-1-0 record over the weekend and improved their overall record to 4-6-2 on the season and 1-2-1 in the Lone Star Conference. The Pioneers fell to Midwestern State, 1-0, on a penalty kick in the 80th minute on Friday. TWU bounced back to knock off the top team in the conference Angelo State, 2-1, in a come from behind win Sunday. Freshman Gabrielle Larson scored the first goal to tie the game and sophomore Haleigh Wanzer found the net in the 81st minute for the game-winner. Three of the top four point leaders are freshmen. Freshman Alisa Velasquez is the leader with 11 points while junior Emily Davila is tied with freshman Tori Crook for second with 7 points. Larson is fourth with six points.

West Texas A&M

The Lady Buffs dropped their first LSC match of the season to Eastern New Mexico on Sunday in Portales. WT outshot the Zias 21-9 in the contest while sophomore Dominique Premac got her first score of the season off a Lauren Connel helper. WT will return to action this weekend as it travels to play Angelo State on Friday before battling Midwestern State on Sunday.



Women's Soccer Championship November 8-10, 2013 at No. 1 Seed