Montana State University-Billings

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This Week's Schedule:

Oct. 28 vs. St. Edward's University, 1:00 p.m.

The Week in Review

The Yellowjackets began a three-game road trip last week with a win against the University of Texas-Permian Basin, 3-0. MSUB dominated the game from start to finish and out-shot UTPB 23-2, including a 12-1 shots on goal advantage. Goalkeeper Megan Plank needed to make just one second half save in her school-record 22nd career shutout.

The Jackets traveled to conference-leading St. Edward's University on Sunday. Both teams battled through a scoreless regulation and first overtime before St. Edward's managed to score the game-winner in the 103rd minute. The stingy Hilltopper defense kept the Jackets' shots to a minimum, allowing only six in the entire contest.

MSUB rebounded from their heartbreaking loss to St. Edward's with a convincing 4-0 win at Dallas Baptist on Monday in their final road game of the regular season. An early goal from Melissa Carlson was followed by second half scores from Ally Stroup, Caitlin Differding, and Jelisa Guy. With the victory, the Jackets' record improved to 13-5-1 and surpassed the 2004 team as the most successful in MSUB's history.

This Week's Opponent

St. Edward's University Hilltoppers

After finishing last season with a 6-11-2 record and fourth place finish in the Heartland Conference, St. Edward's has turned around with a dominating 16-2-1 record. The Hilltoppers are now ranked 13th in the nation and 2nd in the region, and they are first in the Heartland Conference standings. First year head coach Nick Cowell's team has a balanced offensive attack led by junior Kristen Gascoyne. Gascoyne leads the team with 14 goals to go along with her six assists. She has fired eight game-winning goals in 19 games this year, which is double that of the closest player in the Heartland. Her 34 points this season are second in the conference to MSUB's Ally Stroup.

The team has two freshmen that have added major production to the team's success as well. Kim Abbott's nine goals and conference-leading 11 assists have her second on the team in points, followed by Clare Cella's eight goals and one assist. Goalkeeping duties have been handled primarily by Heather Koudelka, who has notched a staggering 0.56 goals against average on the year. Alexis Adams has also made some starts and allowed just two goals.

St. Edward's hasn't lost a match since mid-September when they fell 1-0 to Dallas Baptist. Their only other loss came early in the year at the hands of nationally-ranked Metro State. The team has never won a regular-season championship, but will have its first opportunity to do so with a win or tie against Montana State University-Billings on Saturday.

2006 Women's Soccer Schedule & Results

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	Time/Result
Aug. 24	at Colorado School of Mines	W, 1-0
Aug. 26	vs. Fort Lewis	W, 1-0 OT
Aug. 27	at Eastern New Mexico	W, 3-1
Sep. 2	Texas-Permian Basin	W, 11-0
Sep. 3	University of Mary	W, 2-0
Sep. 9	at St. Mary's	W, 1-0 2OT
Sep. 10	at Texas A&M-International	W, 3-0
Sep. 12	at Incarnate Word	W, 2-0
Sep. 16	Texas A&M-International	W, 18-1
Sep. 20	vs. Rocky Mountain (Daylis)	W, 3-2 OT
Sep. 22	at Montana	L, 1-0 2OT
Sep. 28	Dallas Baptist	W, 1-0
Oct. 6	at Metro State	L, 5-0
Oct. 8	at Regis University	L, 1-0
Oct. 13	St. Mary's	T, 1-1
Oct. 15	Incarnate Word	L, 1-0
Oct. 20	Texas-Permian Basin	W, 3-0
Oct. 22	at St. Edward's	L, 1-0 2OT
Oct. 23	at Dallas Baptist	W, 4-0
Oct. 28	St. Edward's	1:00 p.m.

All game time are local to site played Home games are listed in **bold**

Heartland Conference Standings (as of 10/22/06)

<u>W/L</u>	Pct.
16-2-1	.868
13-5-1	.710
9-3-5	.676
9-8-1	.528
8-8-0	.500
	13-5-1 9-3-5 9-8-1

NCAA Midwest Region Poll (as of 10/25/06)

- 1. Metropolitan State (19-1-0)
- 2. St. Edward's (16-2-1)
- 3. Central Oklahoma (16-3-0)
- 4. West Texas A&M (14-2-1)
- 5. Montana State-Billings (13-5-1)
- 6. St. Mary's (9-3-5)
- 7. Texas A&M-Commerce (10-7-3)
- 8. Regis (10-6-4)

Next Poll: October 30, 2006

Ticket Information

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General Admission Adult	\$5.00
Seniors	\$3.00
Faculty & Staff	\$3.00
Preschool & K-6	Free
MSUB Students	Free
For more information on tickets call 657-2369	

Corner Kicks

After already achieving a record-setting season, the Yellowjackets are in a position to add to their success on Saturday. The Yellowjackets set a new single season school record for wins last week with their 13th of the season. To improve that school record, they'll have to win against a nationally-ranked team for the first time in the program's history. St. Edward's, which edged the Jackets in double overtime less than a week ago, will come to Billings ranked No. 13 by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America...The most recent MSUB victory over Dallas Baptist couldn't have come at a better time. With their NCAA Tourney hopes on the line, the team responded on Monday with a resounding 4-0 victory. The four goals are the third most the Jackets have scored in a game this season, trailing only the school-record 18 scored against Texas A&M International and 11 tallied against Texas-Permian Basin earlier this season...Saturday's match also marks the final home game for three Yellowjacket seniors. Ally Stroup, Jenny Moellendorf, and Megan Plank will end their regular-season careers at Montana State University-Billings. Co-captain Stroup has started and played in every game since her freshman year at MSUB. She holds most major school scoring records, including goals, assists, and points. Jenny Moellendorf leaves MSUB after playing in all but a single game during her four-year career. Last year Moellendorf was named to the Heartland Conference Commissioner's Honor Roll. Co-captain Plank has started as goalkeeper in every game for the past three seasons. In her four-year span with the team, she tops the record books in many categories, including career saves, wins, shutouts, and goals against average...Along with being Senior Day, Saturday's game against the Hilltoppers could be the most important home game the Jackets have ever hosted. The Yellowjackets are ranked 5th in this week's NCAA Midwest Region poll. The top four teams in the region at the end of the season will qualify for the NCAA Tournament. Saturday's game against St. Edward's, the region's 2nd-ranked team, is critical for the Jackets' chances of reaching the postseason for the first time in school history.

School Record Watch

Goals

Ally Stroup, 1st, 40

Brittney Sandau, 4th, 20 (Margot Merrill-Johnson, 3rd, 30)

Game Winning Goals

Ally Stroup, 1st, 12

Assists

Ally Stroup, 1st, 28

Brittney Sandau, 2nd, 17 (Ally Stroup, 1st, 27)

Ally Stroup, 1st, 109

Brittney Sandau, 4th, 55 (Abby Farmer, 3rd, 70)

Jelisa Guy, 7th, 26 (Lacey Miles, 6th, 26)

Mandy Ploskonka, 8th, 21 (Jelisa Guy, 7th, 22)

Goalkeeping Wins

Megan Plank, 1st, 41

Saves

Megan Plank, 1st, 323

Shutouts

Megan Plank, 1st, 23

	2006	Women	's Soco	er Roster
No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Hometown/Previous School
0	Kaily Hoffman	GK	Fr.	Fort Collins, CO/Rocky Mountain HS
1	Megan Plank*	GK	Sr.	Phoenix, AZ/Thunderbird HS
2	Mandy Ploskonka	MF	So.	Federal Way, WA/Federal Way HS
3	Amy Stephens	MF/D	Jr.	Colorado Sprgs.,CO/Rampart HS
4	Jenny Moellendorf	MF/F	Sr.	Green River, WY/Green River
5	Abby Bennett	D	Jr.	Livingston, MT/Park County HS
6	Whitney Prescott	D	Fr.	Colorado Sprgs.,CO/Rampart HS
7	Brittney Sandau	MF/F	Jr.	Billings, MT/West HS
8	Janica Larsen	D	Jr.	Salt Lake City, UT/Skyline HS
9	Chelsea Libby	F	So.	Puyallup, WA/Emerald Ridge HS
10	Jelisa Guy	MF/F	Fr.	Kalispell, MT/Flathead HS
12	Micah Merrill-Johnson	D	So.	Salt Lake City, UT/East HS
14	Samantha Boehm	D	Fr.	Wilsonville, OR/Wilsonville HS
15	Ally Stroup*	MF/F	Sr.	Ojai, CA/Nordhoff HS
16	Melissa Carlson	MF	So.	Renton, WA/Lindbergh HS
17	Sara Gress	D	So.	Boise, ID/Mountain View HS
20	Danielle Ritter	D	Fr.	Great Falls, MT/C.M. Russell
21	Emily English	GK	Fr.	Whitefish, MT/Whitefish HS
22	Ashley Glathar	MF	Fr.	Graham, WA/Bethel HS
23	Caitlin Differding	F	Fr.	Sammamish, WA/Eastlake HS
* Team	Captains			

Head Coach: Don Trentham (5th Season)

Assistants: Kevin Petritz (3rd Season); Greg Alario (3rd Season)

The Last Time in Yellowjacket Women's Soccer ...

A player had 5 or more points in a game — Sept. 16, 2006 (Guy (14), Stroup (8), Ploskonka (7), Sandau (5) vs. TAMUI)

A player had 3 or more assists in a game -- Sept. 16, 2006 (Jelisa Guy (4), Mandy Ploskonka (3) vs. TAMUI)

A player had 3 or more goals in a game — Sept. 16, 2006 (Jelisa Guy (5), Ally Stroup (3) vs. TAMUI)

A player had 15 or more saves in a game — Oct. 29, 1999 (Gretchen Kaus, 20 vs. Humboldt)

A player scored a goal in the first 5 minutes — Sept. 16, 2006 (Ally Stroup, 1:05 & 1:40 vs. TAMUI)

A player scored back to back goals < 5:00 — Sept. 2, 2006 (Stroup (:35), Guy (:52), Guy (1:28) vs. TAMUI)

Two players scored back to back goals < 2:00 — Oct. 29, 2005 (Gress/Stroup (:36), Stephens/Sandau (1:01), Ploskonka/English (1:54) vs. TAMUI)

A player scored goals in 3+ cons. games—Sep. 10-Sep. 20, 2006 (Ally Stroup (4), Amy Stephens (4))

A player posted 200+ consecutive shutout min—Aug. 27-Sep. 16 (Megan Plank, 525:53)

The team had 15 or more points in a game—Sept. 16, 2006 (50 vs. Texas A&M-International)

The team had 5 or more goals in a game—Sept. 16, 2006 (18 vs. Texas A&M-International)

The team had 5 or more assists in a game—Sept. 16, 2006 (14 vs. Texas A&M-International)

The team had 15 or more saves in a game—Oct. 29, 1999 (20 vs. Humboldt)

MSUB Season Stats Leaders

Goals

Ally Stroup - 16

Jelisa Guv - 9

Brittney Sandau - 8

Assists

Brittney Sandau - 10

Jelisa Guy - 8

Ally Stroup - 7

Points

Ally Stroup - 39

Jelisa Guy - 26

Brittney Sandau - 26

Goals Against Average

Megan Plank - 0.71

Saves

Megan Plank - 80

Visit www.msubillings.edu/athletics/womenssoccer for complete season statistics and information

<u>Heartland Conference Stats Leaders</u> (10/25/06)

Goals

Ally Stroup, MSUB - 16

Kristen Gascoyne, SEU - 14

Sarah Graef, UIW - 11

Assists

Kim Abbott, SEU - 11

Brittney Sandau, MSUB - 10

Jelisa Guy, MSUB - 8

Ally Stroup, MSUB - 39

Kristen Gascoyne, SEU - 34 Kim Abbott, SEU -29

Goals Against Average

Heather Koudelka, SEU - 0.56 Megan Plank, MSUB - 0.71

Lily Cano, STMU - 0.94

Megan Plank, MSUB - 80

Emily Evans, DBU - 76

Lily Cano, STMU - 71

Visit www.heartlandsports.org for complete season statistics

2006 MSU-Billings Soccer

Mont. St.-Billings Combined Team Statistics (as of Oct 25, 2006)
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20 Danielle Ritter	16	1	2	4	7
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