MVC WOMEN’S SOCCER BEATS MCKENDREE IN WILD MATCH

Marshall, Mo. (September 5, 2013)- The Missouri Valley College women’s soccer team defeated NCAA Division II McKendree University Thursday evening at Gregg-Mitchell Field 2-0, in a game with ten total cards, including four ejections.

Both teams played even through the first half until MVC broke through with a goal just before halftime. Coming on as a sub just moments earlier Freshman Midfielder Presley Roberts (Cambridge, Ontario) snuck one past the McKendree keeper with just one minute left in the half for her first goal of the season. She received the ball off a free kick from Freshman Midfielder Andrea Garcia (Toldeo, Spain) who got the assist.

Things took a turn after halftime as both teams had to play with less than 11 players throughout most of the second half. McKendree lost its first player to a red card less than three minutes after the restart, then lost a second player 10 minutes later. The Vikings also lost two players, one at the 57-minute mark and another at the 67-minute mark, as both teams finished the game with only nine players to a side. Still, the Lady Vikings pulled through and padded their lead in the 54th minute when Haley Ennis scored to give MVC a 2-0 lead.

From there the Vikings held off some late McKendree chances on goal and pulled away with a 2-0 victory. Sophomore Keeper Irene Sanchez (Barcelona, Spain) recorded her second shutout of the season with seven saves.

The win improves MVC to 2-1-1 on the season while McKendree falls to 0-1.

Up next for the women’s soccer team is a road trip to Parkville, Mo. for a matchup with Park University Saturday at 1:00 p.m.

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