

Women's soccer 'excited' to enter the MIAC

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The College of St. Scholastica women's soccer has entered the Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (MIAC) after leaving the Upper Midwest Athletic Conference (UMAC). The players are very excited for this new level of competition. The Saints are 3-6-2 following their loss to Augsburg on Wednesday,

along with Alexa Ickert, junior, about the transition to the MIAC. Both players were very positive about this new experience. Ickert said, "I mean, obviously everyone was a little nervous. Everyone was saying 'Oh wow, this is a huge change.' I think we went into it thinking we were going to make these MIAC teams surprised."

in sixth in the conference standings. In order to make the MIAC playoffs, women's soccer must stay in sixth or above. Ickert and Zamzow said that both St. Mary's and St. Catherine will be their biggest conference competition. These two schools are currently ranked first and second in MIAC standings, respectively.



Hunter Zamzow is focused on the ball against UWEC on Sunday, Sept. 5. Photo courtesy Derek Montgomery

Oct. 6. After going 0-0 in the first half, Hunter Zamzow, junior, was the first to score for the Saints. Augsburg later scored two goals, resulting in a 1-2 loss for CSS. Zamzow was interviewed,

Zamzow added, "We've come into it where you have to compete every game." So far, the Saints have a good showing in the MIAC with a 3-2 record in conference play, and are

Other than Augsburg, the Saints' other MIAC loss comes from Gustavus. Both Zamzow and Ickert are confident in the team's development this year. Ickert said, "If we could play [Gustavus] again right now, we could show how much we've grown over the season." The women's soccer team has just six MIAC games left as of Saturday, Oct. 9. They hope to continue to make improvements that will land them in the MIAC playoffs which begin Monday, Nov. 1, 2021.

Golf plays well despite dismal weather

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From Saturday Oct. 2 to Monday Oct. 4, the men's and women's golf teams played in the MIAC Championship at the Bunker Hills Golf Course in Coon Rapids, Minn. Heavy rain caused a two hour delay for both teams on Saturday, limiting them to only 9 holes instead of 18.

and placed 43rd overall. The women's team finished 6th overall with a total score of 833. Olivia Wright shot a season-best by finishing with a total score of 80 (+8) and tied for 20th. She shot two birdies and finished with 20 pars. Carissa Oberding finished with a total score of 86 (+14) after shooting an eagle on the 9th hole and tied for 23rd.

remained determined and played well despite the conditions. This was the last match of the fall for both teams, who are now off until the spring season begins this upcoming March. With strong starts to the teams in their preseason tournaments, both the men's and women's teams are in strong standings for the spring.

Overall the men's team finished in 9th place with a total score of 839. Zach Madill shot three birdies on Monday and finished with a score of 81 (+9) and tied for 36th. Carter Anderson also shot a birdie and finished with an overall score of 85 (+13), putting him in 39th place. Jamin Durfee shot an 84 (+12) and tied for 40th overall. Ian Olson finished his tournament with a score of 88 (+16)

Hannah Garcia shot two birdies, as well as 19 pars, to finish with a season-best score of 79 (+7), putting her at a tie for 29th. Ruby Mohelsky finished her last hole with a birdie, which put her final score at 85 (+13) and tied her for 36th. The Saints were the only team to shoot multiple eagles in the tournament. Despite the poor weather on Saturday, both teams

Men's soccer transitions smoothly into MIAC

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The men's soccer team has historically been quite successful through their years here at the College of St. Scholastica, but since joining a new conference, the team has undergone changes. The MIAC (Minnesota Intercollegiate Athletic Conference) differs greatly from the previous conference, the UMAC (Upper Midwest Athletic

Conference), by offering more competitive and prestigious opponents. The question remains: how will the men's program adjust to the change? He said, "Other teams initially doubted their presence in the conference... Nobody thought we could keep our own in a group as competitive as the MIAC, but I think we've shown that we most certainly can." The team's current record is 6-5, an impressive feat for its first year.

Considering that the men's program has won the UMAC regular season championship 18 times in the last 25 years, some assume that success will roll in as usual. To gain more insight on the change due to the MIAC, The Script also spoke to Zach Madill, a senior. "In previous years, we usually had a couple games a year that were considered easier. However, this year we will have none, every competition is



The CSS men's cross country team. Photo courtesy Derek Montgomery

Cross country runners set personal records

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On Friday, Oct. 1, both the men's and women's cross country teams ran at the Blugold Invitational in Colfax, Wisconsin. The men's team finished in 18th place with a total score of 505. Calvin Boone finished with the fifth-fastest 8k time in program history at 25:40, Devon Byers set a personal-best with 27:50 and Jonathon Laughlin finished with a season-best time of 28:13. Teammates Nathan Neu and Derek Douglas also set seasonal-best times with 28:29 and 28:54 respectively. UW-Whitewater won the meet overall with a score of 38, and their runner David Fassbender was the individual winner with a time of 24:59.

a time of 22:52, making her the first CSS women's runner to break the 23 minute mark since 2017. Emma Stertz finished with a personal-best time of 25:04, Avery Tolbert with a time of 25:36, Charlotte Mae Whitcomb with a time of 26:16 and Jenna Terrio with a seasonal-best time of 26:31. UW-Eau Claire won with an overall score of 70, and Fiona Smith from St. Benedict was the individual winner with a time of 21:37. The women's team is set to run again at the Tori Neubauer Invitational on Oct. 15 at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse. The last time the women's team was able to run at this meet was back in 2019, as the 2020 meet was cancelled during the uncertainties of COVID-19 last fall. In prior years, this meet has also proved to hold healthy competition for the Saints, and with new talent, CSS aims for the best.

The men's team is set to run again at the Jim Drews Invitational on Oct. 15 at the University of Wisconsin La Crosse. The women's team finished 15th overall with a score of 448. Maj-Lis Helmer finished 6th with



A member of the women's cross country team. Photo courtesy Derek Montgomery

tough." He also said that the mindset was much different in preceding years, saying, "Since joining the MIAC we are now considered underdogs, fighting for a playoff spot and making a statement after every game." Before the move to the MIAC was officially made, the men's soccer program knew what they were in for: gruelling contests sure to include adversity. However, the program seems to be leaning into adversity with enthusiasm. Taking pride