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Vikings capture second UMAC championship



Mavs end season with loss to UNO

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OMAHA — A season of disappointment for Minnesota State football was punctuated by a 42-14 loss to Nebraska-Omaha Saturday.

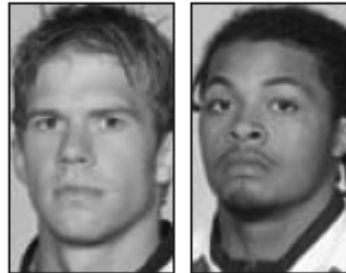
Facing off against No. 25-ranked Mavericks of UNO, MSU fell behind quickly in the first quarter.

UNO running back Jamar Day scored on touchdowns of 1 and 54 yards, and quarterback Brian Masek scrambled for a 52-yard score for a 21-0 UNO lead.

MSU's opening possession in the second half ended when Jason Tompkins' punt was blocked and returned for a 33-yard touchdown by Jacob Chandler.

MSU responded on the next possession, with quarterback Joshua Bryant completing a 47-yard touchdown pass to wideout Kyle Krivoruchka.

Up 28-7 entering the fourth quarter, UNO closed the books on MSU's season with a 1-yard touchdown scamper by Stuart Frazier and a 18-yard touchdown run by Zach Miller.



Senior wide receiver Kyle Krivoruchka (left) scored two touchdowns in his final game as a Maverick. Joshua Bryant found Krivoruchka on both touchdowns. Bryant finished with 231 yards on 20 of 33 passing.

Krivoruchka ended his MSU career with a touchdown in the waning minutes of the game, with Bryant finding the senior with a 20-yard toss.

MSU was out-rushed 274-101. Bryant finished 20 for 33 passing for 231 yards, two touchdowns and one interception.

Tyrell Smith reeled in eight receptions for 95 yards, and Krivoruchka totaled five receptions for 77 yards and two touchdowns.

MSU finished the season 2-9 overall and 0-6 in the NCC.