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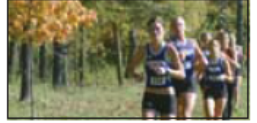
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Two women Mavs place
in Top 10 at MSU Open



USD downs MSU 35-14

VERMILLION, S.D. — Fifth-ranked South Dakota rushed for 324 yards and scored 21 fourth-quarter points to beat Minnesota State 35-14 in a North Central Conference game Saturday at the DakotaDome.

The Coyotes' 35 points were the team's lowest offensive output this season.

"We took a step in the right direction today," Mavericks coach Jeff Jamrog said. "We held a team like that and battled through most of the game. I believe the final score was deceiving, but it's still frustrating."

The Mavericks fell to 1-6 and 0-3 in NCC play.

The Coyotes held a 14-7 lead until early in the final quarter when Travis Mlady scored on a 44-yard run.

Mlady finished with 62 yards and two touchdowns. Stefan Logan had 19 carries for 155 yards.

The Mavericks were led by receiver Tyrell Smith, who had

nine catches for 81 yards and two touchdowns. His 23-yard touchdown reception from Joshua Bryant helped MSU tie the game 7-7 with 11:20 to go in the second quarter.

South Dakota broke the tie with 4:56 to go in the half when quarterback Wes Beschorner hit Desmond Allison on a 10-yard scoring strike.

The game stayed that way until the fourth quarter when the Coyotes scored three touchdowns in a span of five minutes.

Smith's other touchdown, on a 27-yard pass from Bryant, came in the middle of that stretch.

Bryant finished 15 of 26 passing for 114 yards, two touchdowns and one interception.

Running back Sean Treasure had 15 rushes for 59 yards, moving into 10th place on MSU's all-time career rushing list.

South Dakota is now 7-0 (3-0 in NCC) for the first time since 1902.