BRIGHTON SOCCER



ABOVE:

RIGHT: Jayden Jones and Kami Dhjanhani defend a Riverton player.

Aug. 22 – Brighton 3, Fremont 1

Story of the game: Nadia Gomes scored two goals and Stephanie Ringwood added another as Brighton went on the road for the first time and downed Fremont in a non-region game.

Brighton's highlights: Gomes' first goal gave the Bengals a 1-0 lead at intermission. Jocelyn Loomis and Becky Fuller added assists, but the game was still in doubt until late.

Fremont's highlights: The Silverwolves started the season with two bigs, but were dominated by fellow Region 3 power Alta two days prior. Hannah Loftus scored the team's lone goal in the second half.

Statistical notes: Brighton never trailed and the defense dominated, keeping Fremont's Mariah Elmer from scoring. Ringwood's goal was her first of the year.

What we learned from this game: Brighton played its third game with just a few practices under its belt and dominated play much of the time. So far, the Bengals have not had any easy opponent.

Coach Stoker's comments: This was an adventure. At one point all the sprinklers turned on in the middle of the game. Our back line was stellar in this match, shutting down their star forward. The girls had their patience and composure tested with a remarkably horrible officiating team, but we showed that we are a classy team that lets our play do the talking.



Aug. 27 – Brighton 3, Riverton 0

Story of the game: Jocelyn Loomis, Becky Fuller and Jayde Jones scored goals and Brighton recorded its first shutout of the season, surprising Riverton in a non-region game.

Brighton's highlights: The Bengals grabbed a 2-0 lead at halftime and put the game away shortly afterward. Tamaryn Braun and Carly Olsen combined for the shutout.

Riverton's highlights: The Silverwolves' offense had been potent in its first three matches until running up against Brighton. There were few good points to remember from this game.

Statistical notes: Jocelyn Loomis, Kami Djahanbani and Raquel Watts were credited with assists on Brighton's goals. For the second straight game, the Bengals silenced the opponent's big scorer (Hailey Skolmoski).

What we learned from this game: Beating Viewmont was a big deal, but handling Riverton was another welcomed statement after the season-opening disappointment vs. Maple Mountain.

Coach Stoker's comments: Riverton came into our match undefeated and very confident. When we left the field it was apparent who the dominant team was on that day. The Riverton coach commented that he thought he had an excellent squad, but he now realized that he had a lot of work to do to compete with teams like us.