

Harlan 2, D-S 1
D-S drops to 5-3-1 this season, 1-3 in the Hawkeye 10

Shots: Harlan 16, Denison 15
Shots on goal: Harlan 11, Denison 8
Saves: Sam Chandler had 9 saves in goal for the Lady Monarchs
Halftime score: Harlan 2, D-S 1

Goals: Denison scored first with 25:56 remaining in the 1st half. Anayahira Bernal scored her 6th goal of the season, assisted by Janet Castillo (1st assist of the season). Sam Chandler picked up a pass from a Harlan player near the top of the box and punted the ball to the 50 yard line, where Bernal received the ball on the bounce and headed the ball to Castillo at the Harlan 45 yard line. Castillo passed the ball 10 yards up to Bernal, who dribbled 25 yards fending off a defender the entire time getting a 1 on 1 with Harlan's keeper from 20 yards out. Bernal put the shot in off the hands of Harlan's keeper.

Harlan scored both of their goals off of corner kicks. The 1st goal came with 4:07 remaining in the half. The kick from the right corner was deflected by a Harlan player 6 yards out on the near post right across the middle of the net where a Harlan player finished the shot from 5 yards out. The 2nd goal came with 28 seconds left before halftime on a 1 touch shot from 8 yards out just outside the near post.

Comments by Coach Eller: "It was a good, back and forth soccer game that was pretty evenly played by both teams. We did a great job of not allowing any goals in the flow of play. I thought our defense was outstanding. Jimena Lupian, Jocelyn Serrato and Leilany Carrasco did a great job of picking up their counters and the players who attacked who weren't man marked. Xochi Arellano, Lynnae Johnson and Leilany Morales did a great job of marking their leading scorer and middle midfielder. Sam Chandler had some good saves again on some solid shots by Harlan players. Offensively, we created some opportunities for some shots against a team with good speed, but we had many of our counters stopped without getting a shot off. The game came down to Harlan converting on 2 corner kicks. I need to do a better job of working on us defending corner kicks so we can be better prepared to defend them. Overall, I was happy with how the girls played".