



III year Melanie Ross was instrumental in the team's improved performances over the weekend

On Saturday RMC faced the host University of Victoria Vikes on a wet, overcast morning. RMC's best chance of the half came off a long throw by Katie Marasco. Her throw found Kate Searle all alone in front of goal but the first year striker's attempt was handled easily by the Vikes goalkeeper. Before the end of the half, U Vic would find goals in the 32nd and 37th minutes of play. Early in the second half the Vikes would extend their lead to 3 goals. The Paladins continued to compete hard with U Vic but could not find a goal to lift their game another level. Late in the match U Vic would add two more goals to capture a 5-0 win over the Paladins.



The Red and White run out as deserved winners (2-1) versus FC Victoria. #9 Sarah Greenwood scored RMC's first goal in the match. Also pictured are #4 Alexandre Brault and #2 Emily Bowen.

RMC's second Keg Cup match on Sunday was against the University of British Columbia (UBC) Thunderbirds who are the current CIS Women's Soccer champions. Again it was the Red and White who

had a great early chance to take the lead. Off a corner kick, UBC made a clearing error as the ball went straight to Mel Ross. The third year midfielder's shot was solid but was wide of the goal. UBC found goals in the 21st and 45th minute to take a 2-0 lead into the second half.

After UBC got a third goal in the second half, the Paladins' Calley Gray came as close to scoring as RMC could have in the match. Gray's shot, off a UBC mistake, looked destined for goal until it squarely struck the goal post and rebounded back into play. The Red and White was in disbelief to be denied such a chance. Unfortunately for RMC the final fifteen minutes showed their fatigue of playing 2 games in 2 days in difficult conditions. UBC took advantage, making numerous substitutions to add 3 goals to win comfortably 6-0.

With a win and two losses the Women's Soccer Program took advantage of a great opportunity to showcase their team spirit and competitive attitude to the Canada West Soccer powerhouses in the University of Victoria and University of British Columbia.