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The first game of the soccer season provided all the drama of a late run for a playoff berth, and it took a standout performance from a freshman to lift the Lady Redskins to a 2-1 overtime victory over Guymon.



Neither team scored in the first half, but a yellow card with 22:26 left in the game allowed Guymon to get a direct kick, and Lady Tiger Denise Longoria was able to get the ball between the hands of goalie Magali Vasquez on a shot high and to the right to give Guymon a 1-0 lead.

The Lady redskins continued to take shots but could not penetrate the Guymon defense until 7:09 to play.

That's when freshman Jasmine Chacon was able to get the ball past Guymon goalie Cathrine Elkin to tie the game, 1-1.

Neither team was able to score in the final seven minutes, and the game went to overtime.

Liberal was able to get a scoring opportunity with 4:02 left in overtime when Chacon received a pass from Crystal Vela and sent the shot toward the Guymon goal. Elkin could not stop the ball, and the Lady Redskins were able to earn a 2-1 overtime win in the first game of the season.

Chacon leads Liberal to 2-1 OT win

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The Lady Redskins took 16 shots in the game, and Vazquez recorded two saves.

Liberal will travel to Wichita Monday to compete in the Titan Classic. The Lady Redskins (1-0) will face Wichita South at 4 p.m.