

# Thacker shines; track teams win

By Jack Denker and Jeff Korbellek

If Saturday's performance was any indication, then Nebraska's Angela Thacker seems to have picked up right where she left off last year. The sophomore from

St. Louis won the long jump and 60-yard dash, then anchored the Huskers' winning mile relay team as Nebraska's women's track team posted a triangular victory against Western Illinois and Wichita State Saturday at the Bob Devaney Sports

Center.

Thacker said she was happy with her performance this weekend, because she has been bothered since last summer by tendonitis in her right knee.

Despite the soreness, Thacker jumped 20-1, which is a national qualifying mark. Though the jump was considerably short of her personal best of 20-9/4, NU Coach Gary Pepin said it was still a pretty good jump for her first meet.

"That 60 was exceptional for me," Thacker said. Thacker led a first through fourth place finish for Nebraska in the event with a national qualifying time of 6.77.

Three other Nebraska women qualified for the NCAA indoor championships. Rhonda Blanford qualified in the 60-yard hurdles with a winning time of 7.85. She also qualified in the 60-yard dash with a second-place time of 6.96.

Marcia Tate and Nicole Ali qualified in the 600. Tate won the event in 1:02.97 and Ali finished second

in 1:21.07.

"We placed well with our new people," Pepin said. "They should all be real assets to the team."

One of those newcomers was freshman Karlene Erickson, who in her college debut, won the two-mile run in 10:41.00.

Laura Wright, a newcomer from England, was the 880-yard victor with a time of 2:13.43. Other individual event winners for Nebraska were Sue Nelson in the 1000-yard run with a time of 2:38.37, and Jennie Borham-Badami in the 440-yard dash, with a time of 56.15.

The Cornhuskers' mile relay team, consisting of Holly Ashmore, Blanford, Carol Nunnally and Thacker, was victorious with a time of 3:56.83.

Pepin said if he had to pick somebody to open the men's indoor track season again, it wouldn't have been Southern Illinois.

Southern Illinois, fielding what Pepin called a national-caliber team, was upset by the Cornhuskers 67-64 in a dual at the Bob Devaney Sports Center Saturday.

The Huskers won eight of the 15 events. Three wins were captured by familiar faces: seniors Marc Adam, two mile; Glen Loontjer, pole vault and junior Mark Gunby, 880-yard run. The other events were won by athletes new to the Husker program.

Freshman Stephen Fletcher edged out veteran teammate Ed Ross in the 60-yard high hurdles. Glen Cunningham, junior college transfer from Mount San Antonio Junior College in California, won the 1000-yard run, while John Hasting, a junior college transfer from New Jersey won the 440 dash, Anthony Small, a junior college transfer from Canada, took the 60-yard dash. Von Shepard, a freshman wingback on the Nebraska football team, won the long jump after practicing only two days before the meet.

Pepin said he wasn't surprised by how well his newer people did.

"They had a good meet and they did what they had worked on," Pepin said.

Loontjer was the only Husker to qualify for the NCAA meet with his vault of 17-1/4.

# Wrestlers, swimmers see weekend action

The Nebraska wrestling team improved its dual record to 11-4 over the weekend with three victories. They defeated Northern Illinois 33-16 Friday, then defeated Northwestern, 33-10, and Illinois State, 28-11, Saturday.

Coach Bob Fehrs said the Huskers have struggled this season in the middle weights while being carried by wrestlers in the upper weights, but this weekend's wins were keyed by the middle weights. Middleweights Bill Ferrie at 150 and Jake Sabo at 167 came away from the meets with two wins each.

Against Northern Illinois at DeKalb, Matt Campbell at 118, Jim Scherr at 177, and heavyweight Gary Albright scored pins.

In Saturday's double dual at Evanston, Ill., Bill Scherr at 180 and Albright scored pins against Northwestern, while Campbell, Gil Sanchez at 126, Ferrie, Sabo, and Jim Scherr won decisions.

Against Illinois State, Sanchez, Chris Mariette at 134, Ferrie, Sabo, the Scherra, and Albright won decisions.

The women's swim team went 1-1 in weekend duals, while the men lost their first Big Eight dual since 1981.

On Friday, the women lost to No. 12 Iowa, 74-85, falling behind 17 points after the first six events. "We came back and lost by only nine points," Coach Ray Huppert said. "I was pleased with the character they showed."

On Saturday the women traveled to Columbia and easily beat Missouri, 71-23.

The men lost 82-31 Friday to Southern Illinois in Carbondale but made the meet in Columbia Saturday close, losing 59-52.

# Softball teams defeat snow, extreme cold

By Kevin McCoy

Thirty-eight teams braved cold temperatures and icy fields in the first-ever intramural snow softball tournament this weekend at the 19th and Vine streets intramural fields.

Twenty-four men's, 12 Co-Rec and two women's teams bundled up in nearly every article of winter clothing imaginable to tackle below-freezing temperatures and winds up to 20 mph.

"Quite a few more teams entered than I expected," Kenda Scheele, director of intramurals, said. "I only expected 12 to 15 teams. I didn't think there would be that much interest as cold as it has been."

"Friday night was so bitter cold that I couldn't even feel my toes," said Mark Schmer of Alpha Tau Omega.

ATO was an 8-1 victim to the Snowballers in the men's final. The Gators triumphed 10-0 against Sandoz Five in women's play, Sigma Chi/Pi Phi defeated the Flyswatters 15-7 in the Co-Rec final.

Special modifications for the tournament included optic yellow softballs and shorter basepaths. A makeshift wood-filled garbage can was used to warm up hands and other frozen body parts.

The reasons given by players for participating in the tournament varied.

"We had a lot of fun with our fall team, the Swedes, and we're just bizarre and crazy enough guys that we thought we'd give it a shot," Jerry Bartek of the Snowballers said.

Sandoz Five's Amy Gibbs said regular softball got too boring for her team. They wanted a new challenge.

The snow-packed ground presented several unique problems for Schmer.

"You see a lot of people falling down and the ball takes some weird bounces," he said.


Snowballer Jeff Braun said the weather was responsible for some of the high-scoring games.

"The snow helps the offense because it's very difficult to play bounces," he said. "It's harder to hit the ball in the cold, but I'd still say there's a slight advantage to the offense."

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