

Intramural Program Offers Wide Variety Of Sports

Many of the incoming freshmen, both men and women, may have dreamed of participating in a college sport and wearing the school emblem. Although a host of athletically inclined students win Nebraska numerals each year, there are many more who never get a chance for which they dreamed. If such is the case, then these persons, to which this article is directed, are cordially invited to engage in their favorite sport through the intramural facilities provided by the Physical Education Department of the University.

Headed by Ed Higginbotham of the P.E. Department the intramural program offered by the University is regarded as one of the most extensive in the nation. The intramural activity offers everyone at least one of his favorite sports ranging from Touch Football to Squash to Fly Casting.

The Intramural Sports Program is so arranged to offer everyone in the University a chance to participate in their favorite sport as well as some sports which they might like to engage simply to learn about them. Along with the intramural program the University provides certain classes through the facilities of the Physical Education Department in order that person may participate to improve their skills in leisure time sports which will be valuable in adult life, as well as providing greater skills that may be utilized for greater pleasure and success in the intramural activities. These courses stress the following activities:

Archery, Badminton, Bait and Fly Casting, Basketball, Bowling, Fencing, Golf, Gymnastics, Handball, Squash, Swimming, Track and Field, Volleyball, Weight Lifting, Wrestling.

The Intramural Sports Program provides, competitively rather than compulsory, recreational activities for every kind of a sports-minded person.

Some of the objectives of the Intramural Sports Program are as follows:

1. To encourage self-participation, transforming students from passive spectators into very active performers.
2. Offer a variety of activities balanced between vigorous and light exercise, team and individual sports, to meet present interests and future needs.
3. Seek to provide a welcome incentive to the far larger number of those most in need of a competitive experience on a reasonable equal basis rather than limiting itself to the few super-performers on varsity teams.
4. Furnishes a wholesome outlet for otherwise repressed play instincts, and acts as the most effective safety valve against either dangerous and anti-social practices.
5. Reasonably safeguarding health by choice of activities, preparation for them, medical examinations, safety rules, good equipment and proper supervision.
6. Believing that social relations and attitudes can be developed through intramural participation

by upholding high standards of sportsmanship, fair dealings with all individuals and groups, and providing multitudes of opportunities for leadership and cooperation.

7. The program should act as a growing ground for the discovery and development of high-class athletic performers who might fill the gaps left by graduation, or otherwise, in our athletic teams.

To this end the Physical Education Department will provide facilities, leadership, and never-ending assistance that all students may have an opportunity to engage in activities.

The first thing on the intramural program is the Hole-In-One Golf Contest starting yesterday and running through Thursday of this week. Also starting in this month's activities are touch football, fall golf, fall tennis, horse shoes, fall bowling and basketball free throws.

There will be tonight for all intramural managers (note bulletin) so urge your representative to be there and get an early start in the fall campaign of intramural sports.

Roland, Iowa Fans Honor Thompson; Establish Scholarship

The living legend of Roland, Iowa's greatest athlete was made a perpetual memory this past summer when the small Iowa



Courtesy Lincoln Journal
Gary Thompson

community of Roland announced the establishment of the Gary Thompson Scholarship Award. The occasion was Gary Thompson Day, Roland's way of honoring its three-time all-state and Iowa State's All-American athlete. Thompson was All-American in both basketball and baseball this past year. More than 2,000 people jammed the town on that day to pay personal tribute to the one tabbed as the "Roland Rocket" by many sportswriters and casters all over the country.

"He was All-American in every way," was Roland's description of the sensational but modest youngster who brought endless fame to his home town and college.

The original funds for the establishment of the scholarship were raised in Roland, but contributions to the fund are being added from all over the state and nation. Every sports fan in the state, as well as in the nation, will be given the opportunity to contribute to the fund which will be administered by the Iowa State Scholarship Committee.

No one in Roland knows just who suggested the scholarship idea. Any number of gift suggestions were made but all at once the entire community jelled on the idea of helping other "Gary Thompsons go to Iowa State."

over the fund beyond its original stipulation that the winner must, as nearly as possible, measure up to Gary Thompson. That, in the words of his home town friends, means an Iowa boy who is a good athlete, a good student, a good citizen and a good Christian.

Contributions, which are tax deductible, can be sent either to Roland or direct to the Alumni Achievement Fund at Iowa State College.

Thompson made his first impact upon the non-Roland sports world in 1951 as a 5 foot 6 inch soph-

more. He was the sensation of the state basketball tournament that year and led the Rockets to second place in the meet. He led them to the semifinal round for the next two years and won all-state honors all three years.

At Iowa State he broke all scoring records in the process of earning All-Big Seven honors every year. He capped his collegiate career by being named on all the major All-American basketball teams last winter and this spring was named as the third All-American shortstop in baseball.

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Husker End Corps Features Four Returning Lettermen

Coach Bill Jennings is counting on seven men to carry the load at end for the Huskers this year. Those slated for end duties are as follows: Marlin Hilding, Mike Lee, Clarence Cook, Bill Hawkins, Ray Engel, Roger Brede, and Bill Tuning.

Hilding, a two year letter winner, led the squad in minutes played last year. After suffering a serious back injury as a sophomore, Hilding came back to star for the Huskers both defensively and offensively. He has improved steadily.



Courtesy Lincoln Star
Lee... Starting End

fly in three years of college football. Hilding, a 6-1 190 pound senior, hails from Red Oak, Iowa.

Lee won All-state honors as a junior at Grand Island and as a senior at Lincoln High. He is a 5-11 138 junior letterman and a top student. Lee is a good pass receiver and is strong both defensively and offensively. He was coached in high school by his father, Jerry Lee.

Cook is a senior in eligibility as he played one year at Doane.

He lettered for the Huskers last year and was praised for his outstanding pass receiving. Cook, 6-4 and 205, played his high school football for McCook High. While in the service, he played football for the Ninth Marines.

Hawkins is a two-letter man in track and football. He has good speed and is an excellent receiver, blocker, and tackler. Hawkins, who has played tackle and halfback has never played end before. He was athlete of the year at Beatrice High in 1952. Hawkins stands 6-2 and weighs 181 pounds.

Engel was a standout athlete at South Sioux City, Nebraska. He spent two years in the service. Engel, a 6-2 150 pound sophomore, looked good in spring practice and was lauded by his coaches as a "top prospect."

Brede is a 19-year old sophomore from Ainsworth. He is 6-0 and weighs 170 pounds. Brede was also a hurdler on the freshman track team last year. He won Class B honors in the hurdles in 1955.

Jack Hansen, senior wing back from Omaha, Neb., probably personifies the things Jim Myers has done to Iowa State football as well as any player on the Cyclone squad.

Hansen came to the Cyclones a highly touted frosh from Omaha Tech. He led the Cyclones in a brilliant display against Nebraska as a freshman, then literally disappeared from view.

Today he is the No. 1 wing back, fiery in his play, well conditioned, eager, hard hitting. He fought his way from No. 4 to No. 1 this fall and intends to hold off all challengers—a pretty tall order, too.

His No. 1 battle right now is with Jim Lary, another 1956 letterman. Lary has an edge in speed, but hasn't matched the play of the former Nebraskan as yet. But he does make a fine replacement.

Panthers Sport Big Line Face Huskers October 1

Next Saturday the University of Nebraska Cornhuskers unveil their grid talents to the football fans of our beloved state and to the rest of the nation. This will be the first team to take the field under the highly touted William Jennings, head coach of the gridiron crew this fall.

As per usual, the predictions of the outcome of the season are well under way by now and, as per usual, the Nebraska squad has been ranked in a not to enviable position.

This year's football squad will face one of the roughest schedules ever to confront a Scarlet and Cream crew. But still the avid fans of the Nebraska team are hoping for a Husker grid comeback to place the home state as one of the football greats it once was.

Jennings, first in a long line of Nebraska coaches to bypass a pre-season scrimmage on the Saturday before the first game, is relying on simply another week of basic fundamentals for the Huskers instead of taking any chances on injuring what he has left of his physically battered squad.

The Washington State opener will probably be a rough game for the initial contest but it should give a fairly good indication of what is in store for the Jennings mentored gridmen. Let's hope it's a good outcome as well as a good indication.

Monroe Look

The Pittsburgh team is going to

have that Marilyn Monroe look this fall—big up front.

From tackle to tackle the Pitt team will average a moderate weigh in of 227 pounds per man.

Starting at the center position the Pittsburgh Panthers will put forth All-American Charley Brueckman, co-captain center who bounces on the scales at 220. He is considered Pitt's best center in twenty-five years and ranks with former Pitt star, Joe Schmidt, captain of the Detroit Lions, as a linebacker.

Next man in line is the biggest and meanest man on the squad. He is Giant Jim McCusker, who personifies the real meaning of football to any coach. Jim, high on every pro team's draft list, ranges from 240-250 throughout the season and right now weighs in at 241.

The next man, guard Dan Wisniewski, is the lightest man of the "Five Jumbos." Dan is a slight man at 214.

Ron Kissel, a two-year letterman, plays the other tackle and receives very little publicity because he is more outstanding on offense than defense.

The fifth member of the quintet is guard, John Guzik, middle linebacker on defense. John is a hefty 230. All five members are seniors.

It could be that October 12 will be a long Saturday for the Nebraska boys as well as Bill Jennings.

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