

# Close-Playing Huskers Hope to Block Buffs' Title Bid

## Husker Statistics

	G	FGA	FG	PCT.	FTA	FT	PCT.	RB	TP	TP	AVE.
Russell, Tom	17	107	51	.476	121	63	.521	134	19	255	15.0
Swett, Rex	15	100	41	.410	43	20	.465	90	20	152	10.1
Petsch, Daryl	15	150	69	.460	73	34	.466	42	22	192	10.1
Grube, Ivan	17	132	62	.470	63	36	.571	124	48	160	9.4
Bowers, Bill	17	67	27	.403	37	20	.541	54	43	70	4.1
Vincent, Bill	17	69	29	.420	30	15	.500	26	20	50	3.5
Jones, Charles	17	73	22	.301	20	17	.850	69	19	61	3.6
Sladovnik, Chuck	17	68	25	.369	19	10	.526	100	34	60	3.5
Ellis, Berni	1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	2	2.0
Fuchs, Dennis	1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	2	2.0
Yates, Jim	1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	2	2.0
Hansen, Neil	1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	2	2.0
Demuth, Roger	1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	1	0	2	2.0
Team Totals	17	1009	384	.380	309	249	.806	785	275	1017	59.8
Opp. Totals	17	1074	427	.397	345	224	.649	738	310	1088	64.0

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## By DAVE WOHLFARTH

The close-playing Cornhuskers of Coach Jerry Bush will travel to Boulder Saturday in an effort to derail the Buffs' Big Eight title hopes. Colorado leads the conference race with a 6-0 record, including four road wins. CU edged Nebraska, 58-56, on the NU floor in one of the Huskers' many tight games earlier this season.

"Colorado's two road wins over Oklahoma and Oklahoma State just about clinched the title for the Buffaloes," Bush commented. "The improved play of guard Gil Whissen has made

## Colorado a much-improved team since we played the Buffs here," Bush added.

Nebraska won another of its "close verdicts" Monday night by nipping Oklahoma State 57-56 before 2,500 fans in the Coliseum. The win evened the Huskers' Big Eight record at three wins and three losses.

The game was the sixth contest for the Huskers involving a one-point decision. NU has also played in two games which have been decided by a two-point margin.

Bush had praise for the play of sophomore Charley Jones in Monday night's

## thriller. "Jones provided the spark that got us going against Oklahoma State," Bush said.

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**WHO'S GOT THE BALL**—A mound of men fight for a rebound in the first half of Monday's OSU-Husker basketball game. Scrapping for the ball are Cowboys Epperley (24) and Gary Hassmann (42) along with NU's Ivan Grube (50), Rex Swett (4) and other cagers.

## Haas Tops Frosh Scoring

Gary Haas, former Lincoln High star, heads the yearling cage scoring chart as the Nebraska frosh prepare for their inter-collegiate home opener with Iowa State Monday. Game time is 5:45.

Bob Gates' crew will be looking for its first win after opening the four-game schedule with a 65-46 defeat at the hands of Kansas State's first year men.

Haas has an 11.7 average

	G	FGA	FG	PCT.	FTA	FT	PCT.	RB	TP	TP	AVE.
Gary Haas, Lincoln	7	33	16	.485	10	12	1.20	11	1	11	11.7
Joel Kortus, Lincoln	3	21	12	.571	3	3	1.00	11	0	11	11.0
Eob Cook, Lincoln	3	27	10	.370	8	10	1.00	10	3	10	10.3
Larry Boraschick, Geneva	2	20	11	.550	8	8	1.00	9	3	9	9.5
Earl Wright, Lincoln	2	25	11	.440	18	18	1.00	7	3	7	9.3
Mike Mercock, Lincoln	4	14	11	.786	10	10	1.00	6	2	6	8.7
John Jepson, Omaha Central	2	18	7	.389	5	5	1.00	4	1	4	6.4
Joe Gianfrancesco, Lincoln	7	15	7	.467	7	7	1.00	3	3	3	5.3
Jack Cramer, Lincoln	4	12	4	.333	4	4	1.00	4	0	4	4.0
Don Otto, Burwell	4	3	0	.000	4	4	1.00	4	0	4	4.0
Larry Martin, Lincoln	3	6	4	.667	3	3	1.00	3	3	3	3.3
Big Spence, Lincoln	4	7	4	.571	4	4	1.00	3	0	3	3.0
Mike Willis, Lincoln	6	7	4	.571	4	4	1.00	3	0	3	3.0
Jan Penner, Hastings	6	4	3	.750	3	3	1.00	3	0	3	3.0
Jim Moore, Lincoln	6	4	3	.750	3	3	1.00	3	0	3	3.0
Weeping Water	6	4	3	.750	3	3	1.00	3	0	3	3.0

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### Ex-Link Ace Leads Frosh Past NROTC

Gary Haas paced the Nebraska frosh en route to a 75-63 win over the Navy ROTC quintet Monday. The 6-3 yearling tallied 24 points.

John Lloyd of Newark, N.J., who had been the number one freshman scorer this season, saw limited action in the pre-lim to the Oklahoma State-Nebraska battle. Grades will keep Lloyd ineligible second semester.

NAVY ROTC	NU FROSH	G	PTS	FGA	FG	PCT.	FTA	FT	PCT.	RB	TP	TP	AVE.
Stimmons	5	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Oberg	1	2	5	2	1	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Davis	4	1	5	2	1	.500	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Travinsick	2	1	2	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Edison	0	1	1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Ratliff	3	1	1	1	1	1.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Janice	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Stacey	2	3	18	6	2	.667	4	4	1.000	4	4	4	6.4
Dick	2	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Crest	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0.0
Totals	22	13-21	83	24	18	.643	29	29	1.000	29	17-25	75	75
Navy ROTC													30-42
NU Frosh													42-78-75

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### IM Cage Slate

**TONIGHT'S GAMES**

Ag College

8:15 p.m. Jacey vs. Smith

7:15 p.m. Janssenbach vs. Gus III

8:15 p.m. Flay Bora vs. Vocational Ed

**Varsity Court**

6:15 p.m. Sigma Alpha Mu vs. Aroclia

7:15 p.m. Theta Chi vs. Pi Kappa Phi

8:15 p.m. Manus-A vs. Burnett-A

9:15 p.m. Section I-A vs. Section II-A

**Fresh Court**

6:15 p.m. Sellock-A vs. Gus I-A

7:15 p.m. Andrews-A vs. Carlfield-A

8:15 p.m. Boucher-A vs. MacLean-A

9:15 p.m. Gus II-A vs. Benton-A

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### Sports Show Slated

A sports panel featuring Tippy Dye, Nebraska's new athletic director; Jim Ross, new assistant football coach and members of the press, radio and TV will be aired Thursday night over KOLN-TV and KGIN-TV. The show will start at 9:30 p.m.

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