



"Hey, Joe . . . introduce me to that filly over there!" a trained horse apparently whispers to his owner at the NU rodeo Saturday.

## Crew--waiting, wading sport

by JIM JOHNSTON  
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Crew, from the spectators' standpoint, is a waiting sport.

It took more than 2½ hours to organize and complete two races Sunday. But the approximately 300 spectators who lined the shores of Branched Oak Lake near Malcolm didn't mind the wait.

They were watching history in the making. The first crew team in the history of the University of Nebraska competed in the state's first crew race.

Nebraska's reserve team raced to a draw in the first race, but the Washburn University varsity squad recorded a length and a half victory in the main event.

But Nebraska's failure to wind didn't disturb the spectators. The majority didn't know which shell was

Nebraska's anyway. They were in attendance for a simple reason...to see what the ancient sport of crew is all about.

Temperatures in the low 60's, a chance in the site of the race and confusion in finding the new site failed to dampen their spirits. Each race took about seven minutes to cover 1¼ miles and the long wait in between races was unique.

One man tossed an empty Pepsi can in the water which was retrieved by his dog. Children were tossing sticks in the water. Most people were sitting, covered with blankets, and just talking.

"Next time we'll have to get the pep band out here," said Art Thompson, assistant program manager of the Nebraska Union, who has taken a special interest in crew. "We need something to do in between races."

Washburn, which has competed against Purdue and Notre Dame this season, has had crew for three years. Like Nebraska, the Washburn team is without financial support from the University.

The lack of a nearby lake has hindered Washburn's spectator participation. And during a recent trip from Alabama the wind caught the Washburn shell and shattered it to pieces on the freeway. Washburn used one of Nebraska's shells Sunday.

"I can't believe the people out here," said one Washburn crew member. "You've really got something going here."

It was the only home race for Nebraska. The team travels to Manhattan, Kan., for a meet between Kansas State, Minnesota and Washburn on Saturday.

## Huskers win first series

Nebraska's baseball team upped their conference record to 4-5 taking two of three games from Kansas over the weekend. But despite winning their first series this season, the Huskers are still in seventh place in the Big Eight.

Ryan Kurosaki went the distance on the mound in the Huskers opening 6-1 victory Friday. He limited the Jayhawks to eight hits in recording his third win while Frank Vactor contributed a home run to lead the offense.

The bottom end of Fridays' double-header was another story, though. Kansas racked

up 16 hits of four Nebraska pitchers on their way to a 15-0 win.

But Saturday the Huskers reversed the tables to win the rubber match of the series, 15-7. Nebraska slugged 16 hits in the contest including six in the sixth inning when they scored eight runs. Bruce Cramer picked up the win with seven innings of strong relief pitching.

The Huskers, now 6-12 overall, are home this weekend with a double header with Oklahoma State Friday followed by a single tilt on Saturday.

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# Bronco bucks hopes of Nebraska finalist

by STEVE KADEL  
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For the average person, a ride on a bucking bronco is about as appealing as a chance to wrestle a grizzly bear or parachute into a burning forest. There is, one might reason, a slight amount of danger involved that tends to discourage participation.

But for Tom Frazer, it's a challenge to be enjoyed as often as possible—even at such unlikely places as Brookings, S. Dak., or Hays, Kan., and often at great personal expense in terms of travel and entry fees.

Frazer, a Nebraska sophomore, got a taste of his specialty Saturday night when he competed in the bareback bronc riding event at the NU Rodeo Club's fourth annual Intercollegiate Rodeo. It's an event that pits rider against horse in a battle of wills, with a painful finish for the cowboy who loses the confrontation.

RULES FOR bareback bronc riding are simple. The cowboy is held to the horse by a narrow belt called a rigging and must come out of the chute with his spurs on the point of the horse's shoulder. Holding the rope with one hand and keeping the other in the air he must continually spur his horse for the next eight seconds. The final score is determined by two judges who total points for the cowboy's riding ability and spurring action plus bucking ability of the horse.

Saturday night, Frazer came into the finals as the only Nebraskan in the eleven-man field. But an important factor of the game, horse selection, was against him. He drew an especially mean bronco and was bucked off early in the ride, failing to place.

Later he sat dejectedly on a metal barrel, his eyes

downcast, and explained his feeling for riding.

"I GUESS I just went into it for something to do," he said. "But it's a real challenge to me now. I'd say riding broncos is at least 70 per cent confidence. The rest of it is a combination of strength and coordination. I think anyone with average coordination can be a champion rodeo rider."

But what about the risk to life and limb?

"I don't consider any area of rodeo any more dangerous than something like football," he said. "There's really no danger involved—I've never been hurt bad myself. Just a few minor bruises once in a while."

But there are compensations for the aches and pains, he pointed out, with money heading the list. Larry Mahan, one of the country's top rodeo cowboys and the NU Rodeo Club's special guest during last week's Western Days, earned an all-time high of \$55,000 in 1969. Although Frazer isn't quite in Mahan's class he hasn't done too badly.

"I'D SAY I've won a couple or three thousand dollars in rodeos since I began in high school," he said. "But I've also spent that much, too, traveling and paying entry fees."

A member of the NU Rodeo Club, Frazer works out every day by riding the same horses he meets in competition—the meaner the better.

Since the club doesn't have an official coach, everyone helps one another, giving tips and advice on technique.

He won't let Saturday night's disappointment bother him long. There's another rodeo in Vermillion, S. Dak., next weekend and he'll be there to prove his will is as great as any bronco's. Besides, riding a bucking bronco is a thrill he wouldn't want to miss.

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