

Frosh open against K-State

The Nebraska freshman football team opens its season against Kansas State today at Memorial Stadium. Kick-off time is 1:30 p.m.

Frosh coach Jim Ross is confident his offense can move the ball against K-State, but adds, "We know nothing about them and we hope they know nothing about us."

Glen Ray and Scott Copple will alternate at quarterback for the Huskers. Ray, a 6-4, 205-pounder from Midland, Tex., will probably get the starting nod. Copple is from Lincoln East.

A third quarterback—Rick Lemerond from Green Bay, Wis.—has missed a week of practice with an illness and probably will not see action Friday.

Jim Belka from Prairie Village, Kan., will start at fullback and the I-back spot will be headed by John O'Leary from Port Washington, N.Y.

Four tackles will see action for the Huskers on both offense and defense. Ron Pruitt, Steve Hoins, Bob Lingenfelter and Jim Sledge are tackles who will see double duty.



Freshman team . . . "a real good bunch of hustlers."

"We want to take a good look at them both ways," Ross said.

Kansas State will run out of the pro-set offense with David Livingston, a 6-4, 197-pound quarterback from El Dorado, calling signals. David Cooper, who has excellent speed, heads a fine crop of KSU receivers.

Friday's game will also be the first for new Cornhusker assistant coach Larry Zeno. Zeno, who coached high school football in California, is the freshman offensive backfield coach.

"We have a real good bunch of hustlers," Zeno said. "This is the hardest group of football players I've worked with in my six years of coaching."

Nebraska students who present a regular season football ticket will be admitted to the game without charge.

Nebraska offense
SE 89 Dave Shamblin
LT 71 Steve Hoins
LG 77 Rich Varner
C 50 Rick Bonness
RG 63 Nick Zanetick
RT 73 Ron Pruitt
TE 83 Ken Homola
QB 13 Glen Ray
FB 30 Jim Belka
IB 42 John O'Leary
WB 22 Tom Heiser

Nebraska defense
LE 84 Randy Lessman
LT 72 Bob Lingenfelter
MG 76 Willie Thornton
RT 74 Jim Sledge
RE 80 Dan Brock
LLB 45 Percy Eichelberger
RLB 52 John Kane
LCB 44 Mark Weaver
RCB 35 Dave Butterfield
Mon 33 Randy Benish
S 27 Walt Slattery

Kansas Offense
SE 45 David Cooper
LT 71 Chuck Hogan
LG 62 Tim Wasw Miller
C 59 Robert Baker
RG 60 David Lawyer
RT 74 Mark Zier
TE 83 John Rhoades
QB 10 David Livingston
RB 34 Rocky Osborn
FB 32 Kenny Langston
FL 28 Mike Collier

Kansas defense
LE 86 Louis Wegerer
LT 75 Hal Batdorf
RT 70 Chuck Wasker
RE 65 Jim Cleveland
SLB 52 Denny Gragg
DLB 51 Geoff Naymick
BLB 21 Mike Wecker
Mon 67 Curtis Hightower
LHB 23 Randy Daniel
RHB 29 Ike Hayes
S 24 Norvel McElroy

Jim Johnston

Formula for football success

Most Nebraskans now have rationalized the loss to UCLA with such sour grape conclusions as "It's better to lose the first game than the fifth," or "That loss taught us something and we'll be a better football team because of it."

So, in an effort to satisfy those who are hungry for such conversation, here's a quick way the Cornhuskers can win a third straight national championship.

No. 1-rated Southern California will lose to either UCLA, Notre Dame or Washington. Oklahoma and Colorado will battle each other and then both will lose to Nebraska. No. 4-rated Tennessee will lose to either Alabama or Auburn.

Then there's Ohio State. The Buckeyes, now rated fifth, have the schedule in their favor. Their stiffest test will come Nov. 25 when they meet Michigan. If they survive that, they will then lose to USC in the Rose Bowl.

Alabama gets LSU in Birmingham this year. The Crimson Tide will still lose, however. Even if 'Bama survives that, there's always Auburn to gain a little revenge.

That leaves us with Nebraska as national champions. All the Cornhuskers have to do is survive the Big Eight schedule and a bowl game. How's that for rationalizing?

For those who thrive on records and statistics, here's something that can keep you busy for the next three seasons. It's a comparison game between David Humm and Jerry Tagge.

After Humm's first three games he has completed 32 of 56 passes (.571 pct) for 487 yards. After Tagge's first three games during his sophomore year, he had completed 29 of 48 passes (.604 pct.) for 343 yards. Tagge threw four interceptions in his first three games. Humm has thrown three.

Humm's total offense mark is 475 yards compared to 444

for Tagge.

Nebraska's Johnny Rodgers can establish a new Big Eight receiving record Saturday. Rodgers has totaled 1,943 yards in pass receiving and needs just 30 more to catch Hermann Eben's mark of 1,973.

Eben, who played for Oklahoma State, established the record from 1968-70.

NEBRASKA 41, Minnesota 7 . . . The Cornhuskers won't call timeout to score that final touchdown as Colorado did against the Gophers.

COLORADO 21, Oklahoma State 10 . . . It's tempting to pick an upset in this one.

KANSAS STATE 28, Tampa 14 . . . If the Wildcats lose this one, they may not win another game the rest of the season.

IOWA STATE 35, New Mexico 14 . . . The Cyclones should win easily even with Matt Blair and Jerry Moses on the injured list.

FLORIDA STATE 31, Kansas 14 . . . The Jayhawks meet their first of four Top 20 rated opponents.

CALIFORNIA 21, Missouri 14 . . . Both played poorly last week. If they both play poorly again, California will probably win. Missouri is just a little poorer.

OKLAHOMA 65, Clemson 10 . . . The Sooners will have a tougher time a week from Saturday when they have an open date.

Six returning lettermen open cross country season

With six lettermen returning from the team which finished third in the Big Eight and 4-1 in duals last year, Nebraska

cross country coach Frank Sevigne is optimistic as the Huskers open their season at Colorado Saturday.

Heading the list of returnees is Lincoln junior Bob Unger.

Besides Unger, Sevigne has lettermen Jim Hawkins, Mike Fertig, Roger Chadwick, Lynn Hall and Dan Speck returning.

Sevigne says he doesn't think the opener will give too good of an indication of how well the Huskers will do this year. He says the altitude at Boulder and the fact that it is the first meet could have a detrimental effect on the Husker's performance.

Nebraska 1972 Cross Country Schedule:
Sept. 30—at Colorado
Oct. 7—Kansas State, home
Oct. 14—Missouri, home
Oct. 21—at Drake
Nov. 4—Big 8 at Missouri
Nov. 11—NCAA District at Wichita
Nov. 20—NCAA at Houston

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