



Freshman Jack Alexander holds two UNL swimming records.

Swimmers seek exit from Big 8 cellar

By Bob Hill

Today through Sunday the Husker swimming team will be participating in the Big 8 Conference meet at Boulder, Colo.

Last year at this meet, UNL finished in last place. According to Husker Swimming Coach John Reta, UNL has improved over last year, but, he said, every other conference team has improved also.

He tabbed defending champion the University of Kansas as an almost sure repeat winner, "although Colorado, Missouri and Iowa State could make things close."

Husker hopes rest on freshman Paul Duxbury in the 50-yard freestyle, freshman John Williams in the 200-yard individual medley and freshman Jack Alexander in the 500-yard and 1,000-yard freestyle events. The all-freshman 400-yard medley relay team of Noem Jackman, Stu Waterbury, Rick Redfield and Scott Martin have a good chance at placing, according to Reta.

Iowa State University Swimming Coach Jack McGuire describes the Cornhusker swimming squad as "one of the best in Nebraska history." Reta said his team has but five lettermen, no seniors and only two juniors.

Alexander, who now holds Husker records in both the 500- and 1000-yard freestyle events, said the UNL squad will be a better team during the conference meet than any other time this year.

Streaking strikes swiftly

It was only a question of time. Streaking has come to the UNL campus.

A month ago the term streaking had little significance. It is now a near universal collegiate term. Streaking is the latest college fad. In the '40s there was mass goldfish swallowing; the '50s brought panty raids; in the '60s scientific experiments were conducted to determine the capacity of a telephone booth to hold students; and now the '70s bring streakers.

How does one become a streaker? Disrobe and race across campus.

Streaking has been done at several universities and colleges in the nation. However, to my knowledge, it was not until Tuesday night that the fad became a reality on campus.

Campus Security spokesman, Lt. Robert Edmunds, said he is "sure there are not going to be any mass arrests as a result of streaking." However, he warned that things of this nature often get out of hand. The crowd may spill onto the streets, congesting traffic.

"We cannot let this happen," he said.

"Streaking is a new ball game we haven't played before. We have not as yet set a policy for streakers," Edmunds said.

What satisfaction is there in such high speed exposure? One Tuesday night a male streaker who preferred to remain anonymous said, "I want to do things in college that some day I can think back on and laugh. College is a time to do crazy things on impulse."

Another male streaker stated the "funny thing is catching your friends' expressions as you run by."

Streaking will probably be short lived. Its novelty will wear out quickly. I can see no real harm in streaking. It creates a pleasant change of pace on campus. However let's make the most out of it while we can. Added female participation would enhance its appeal.

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