



Women's softball UNL hits Midland

Coming off a pair of weekend losses, the UNL women's softball team defeated Midland College of Fremont 2-1 at home Tuesday night.

Freshman Jan Bartels was the winning pitcher. Marsha Mohl and Jane Hoge shared batting honors, each producing an extra-base hit. Mohl tripled and Hoge rapped a double.

"We've worked on hitting in practice all week," said coach Terry Baumbach. "Against Wayne State Saturday we just were not hitting."

Errors also plagued the team in Saturday's doubleheader loss to Wayne. According to Baumbach, not being able to practice outside because of bad weather caused the fielding problems.

"Basically I feel that our fielding can match any team's that we play," she said.

Baumbach said the team's depth is lacking. The team relies mainly on two pitchers, she added. "Jan Bartels is our No. 1 pitcher, sophomore Sandy Stewart is her backup. Stewart is really starting to come along."

UNL has strength in the batting department, according to Baumbach.

Top hitters include Mohl, Hoge and the only freshmen to crack the starting line-up, Bartels and Sue Heiser, Baumbach said.

Friday, the women host Concordia in a doubleheader and Saturday they travel to Omaha for two games against Creighton.

The tentative starting line-up for this weekend is:

- 1b—Jan Hoge
- 2b—Kathy Matejka
- 3b—Julie DeWing
- ss—Jan Zink/Sue Hansen
- rf—Marsha Mohl
- cf—Betsy Anderson
- lf—Sue Heiser
- c—Jean Vrbka
- p—Jan Bartels/Sandy Stewart

Golfers improve with weather; weekend invitational important

By Pete Wegman

As Nebraska weather continues to improve, so does the play of the UNL's golf team, according to Head Coach Larry Romjue.

"We're coming along since we've been able to play regularly," he said. "We still have a lack of practice but we're overcoming that with each tournament we play in."

The team has participated in four tournaments this year and will play in the Kansas Relays Invitational in Lawrence on Thursday and Friday. The golfers were in Kansas Wednesday and played nine holes on the tournament course in the afternoon.

"The course is extremely difficult. It's long and in some sections very tight," Romjue said. "The scores will be high; anyone shooting under 80 there will be doing well."

The tournament is important for the Huskers since five Big 8 schools will be in the six-team field. Besides the Huskers, Missouri, Kansas, Kansas State and Iowa State will be in attendance. Wichita State will be the only non-Big 8 school playing.

Romjue said Missouri, the only Big 8 school in the tournament the Huskers haven't played yet this year, and Kansas are the tournament favorites.

Last week in the Great Plains Invitational at

Wichita, the Huskers finished fourth, ahead of Kansas, Kansas State, Iowa State and host Wichita State. The tournament was won by Oklahoma State, followed by Tulsa and Oral Roberts. Nebraska was only four strokes out of second.

"We played really poor the first day, but real well the second," Romjue said. Nebraska was seventh after the opening round.

Seniors Steve King, who will be the first four-year golf letterman in UNL history, and Bob Meyer tied for low individuals for Nebraska in the tournament.

However, freshman Doug Smith still has the team's best average with a 76. Meyer, sophomore Craig Moyer, and King have 77, 78 and 79 averages, respectively.

"These averages are a little high," Romjue said, adding that the team has played some tough courses under difficult weather conditions.

Smith, Moyer, King, sophomore Gary Stieneke and junior Dave Pauley will be playing at Lawrence. Meyer decided to remain at UNL for classes, Romjue said.

Following the Kansas tournament, the Huskers have one invitational and a triangular meet remaining before the Big 8 tournament May 16 through 17 at Norman, Okla.

sports shorts

UNL Athletic Director Bob Devaney said Wednesday the National Football League exhibition game between the Baltimore Colts and the Atlanta Falcons may be played in Memorial Stadium next August.

Devaney confirmed there have been contract negotiations regarding a game on August 16 and the moving of the annual Nebraska Shrine Bowl football game to August 9. But he stressed that absolutely nothing is definite, and the approval and the scheduling of a pro game at Memorial Stadium is a matter for the Board of Regents, NU administration and the NFL to decide.

"We have had contract discussions, but nothing at all has been finalized," Devaney said. "This is something for the regents and the administration to look at and the approval or disapproval is up to them."

Huskers competing in weekend Kansas Relays

By Scott Jones

Nebraska's track team will enter 12 men in eight events Friday and Saturday at the Kansas Relays.

Chuck Malito, last year's Big 8 440 champion, will compete in the 440 intermediate hurdles for the second time in his career at the meet. His 54-second clocking in a double dual with Arizona and host Texas at El Paso (UTEP) last Saturday was good for second place.

Malito said he hopes the switch of events can carry him higher than last year's Big 8 victory.

"I just think I have a better chance of going to the Olympics or being the national champion," he said. "I've always thought my 440 time was good but not exceptional," on a national level, "but with work I think this can be a super event for me."

Malito said he's been planning the move for more than a year. "Last year I talked about doing it but he (track coach Frank Sevigne) said it was too late—that we needed the entire year to work on it."

First chance

Malito's first chance to extensively practice the event came last week as the Huskers spent the week after the Texas Relays awaiting the double dual.

But because it was cold and windy for that meet and his form is still weak, Malito said he hopes to improve quickly.

"I was very pleased with my time of :54," he said. "My technique was terrible going over the hurdles and it should get better as I go along."

Malito also will run on the Husker's mile relay

team at Kansas along with freshmen Mike Thompson and Tom Dovel and sophomore Chris Grieb.

Nebraska will also enter a two-mile relay composed of Don Grow, Paul McClain, Harold Stelzer and Gale Wheeler, all freshmen. Stelzer, who ran 4:14.9 at UTEP also will run the mile.

In the field events, Nebraska will enter Steve Jepsen in the discus, Scott Sorchik in the javelin, Dean Herzog in the high jump and Kan Zaloudek in the long jump.

Second in discus

Jepsen, a Papillion native and the team's only senior, placed second in discus at UTEP with a 180 ft. 2 in. toss. Although his competitive best is 185 ft. 10 in. he said he has thrown 200 ft. in practice.

Given more practice time, he said he hopes to reach that level in meets and possibly break the Big 8 record of 192 ft. 8 in.

Jepsen, who was second in the Big 8 meet last year, also is close to the school record. Jerry Hannan set the varsity mark last year with a 189 ft. 2 in. heave.

A late bloomer, Jepsen said he weighed only 173 pounds as a high school senior when he was third in the state meet. After transferring to Nebraska from UNO, he made the team as a walk-on and now is "quite a bit stronger," at 6 ft. 3 in. and 242 pounds.

In the double dual at UTEP, Nebraska defeated Arizona, 68-53, but were beaten by UTEP, 99-37. Sevigne praised Thompson, third in the 100 and 200, Grow, third in the 880, Jepsen, Malito and Stelzer.



Chuck Malito, a junior from Lakewood, Colo., is looking for national recognition in the 440-yard intermediate hurdles. Malito and the rest of the Husker track team will compete in the Kansas Relays this weekend.