

Swimmer Hayward makes All-American

Husker swimmer Sherri Hayward placed 12th in the 200-yard backstroke Saturday in the AIAW Swimming and Diving Championships and became the first UNL female swimmer to achieve All-American status.

Hayward's time of 2:05.55 gave the Huskers seven points, good for 35th place in team standings.

Rene Sullivan, competing in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle races, failed to qualify for Saturday's finals. Also failing to qualify were the 200-yard and 400-yard freestyle relay team of Sullivan, Ann Kennedy, Marla Thompson and Carol Hall, and the medley relay team of JoDea Eckstrom, Mary Freathy, Sullivan and Hayward.

Gymnastics tickets available

Tickets to the NCAA gymnastics meet scheduled April 3-5 at the Bob Devaney Sports Center are still available at the UNL Athletic Ticket Office, 111 South Stadium.

Tickets to all meets Thursday, Friday and Saturday are \$14. Tickets to individual sessions are \$4.

Thursday at 7 p.m., the all-around competitors from each of the 10 participating teams will compete in the compulsory routine event. Friday at 7 p.m., individuals will compete in the optional routines, and the top three teams will be selected for Saturday's finals. Saturday at 1 p.m. the top three teams will compete in the finals, and at 7 p.m. individuals will compete in the finals.

Female gymnasts second in region

Husker gymnast Renee Reisdorff placed second in the vault and third in the floor exercise Saturday on the final day of the AIAW Region VI gymnastics competition in Minneapolis, Minn.

Nebraska finished second in Friday's team competition, losing to Minnesota.

Nebraska's Sue Litrenta and Nancy Evans finished seventh and eighth in the vaulting respectively.

Teammate Debbie Harrison tied for fourth place with Missouri's Kathy Danielson in the uneven bars.

Reisdorff was eighth in the balance beam, and teammate Crissy Robertson finished 12th.

Husker Carol Chmelka finished sixth in the floor exercise. Harrison finished ninth.

Litrenta, who qualified for the floor exercise in Friday's competition, scratched because of a foot injury. Patty Carmichael-Gerard also scratched from Saturday's finals because of ankle injuries.

Lottery for football tickets is April 8-11

The UNL student football ticket lottery is scheduled April 8-11 from 9 a.m. to noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Full-time students now on campus will be able to purchase tickets either singularly or within a block for \$35.

Organizations wishing to purchase blocks of tickets must send a representative with each student's identification card and \$35 for each ticket.

Beginning Sept. 3, each student must present his ticket receipt and student identification card at the athletic ticket office to receive his ticket.

Any student not participating in the lottery during April 8-11 can purchase a ticket in the fall along with new students.



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UNL pitcher Ray Tromba lets one loose during the Huskers win over Wayne State last week. The Husker baseball team suffered its third loss in 15 games, losing to Southern California College 3-2, Friday in Costa Mesa, Cal.

Gymnastics finalists to be picked today

By Shelley Smith
Sports Editor

The NCAA Gymnastics Committee will select 10 teams and six individuals from each of the four gymnastics regions today to compete in the NCAA Gymnastics meet scheduled for April 3-5 at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

One team must be selected from each region (East, Midwest, Midwest and West) upon recommendation from each regional advisory committee. Six more teams will be selected at large.

Bill Roetzheim, chairman of the NCAA Gymnastics Committee said he will conduct a conference call with representatives from each regional committee at 10 a.m. today to determine the participants.

Defending NCAA champion Nebraska, currently No. 1 in team point averages, is almost assured of a bid because of that ranking, Roetzheim said.

Iowa State, Oregon, Southern Connecticut, Oklahoma and UCLA ranked 2-6 respectively, are also almost assured of bids, he said.

Until this year, teams and individuals competing in the national meet were selected by regional competitions. Because of the expense for teams paid to travel to the regional competition, the meets were eliminated, Roetzheim said.

The NCAA pays for all travel and accommodations to national meets, but not regionals, he explained.

Nebraska Gymnastics Coach Francis Allen, serving as assistant meet director until the competition begins, said plans for the meet, thus far have had few problems.

"It should be a neat showcase for gymnastics," he said. The gymnastics equipment will be brought in from the American Equipment Company in Jefferson, Iowa to ensure what Allen termed "neutral" equipment advantage. "Gymnastics equipment is like a pole vaulter's pole. You get used to a certain give in the equipment you practice on. We want to make sure the equipment is fair for each team. Each team will have practice time to get used to it," he said.

Most of the athletes will arrive in Lincoln Tuesday April 1, Allen said, however, some will arrive as early as Sunday.

American gymnasts Kurt Thomas, a graduate of Indiana State, and Bart Conner, who red-shirted at Oklahoma are expected to be spectators at one day's events, Allen said. Also, Indiana State and U.S. Olympic Coach Roger Council is expected to attend.

ABC has scheduled a broadcast of the meet's highlights on its Sunday program, Wide World of Sports.



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