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## Swimmers to make big splash at AAU—coach

By Pat Beecham

Three UNL swimmers will compete in the AAU national championships this weekend, and UNL assistant swimming coach Pat DiBiase expressed optimism about their chances.

"All three of our swimmers have good chances at placing in this meet," he said. "They score the top 16 places and all are capable of finishing in the top 16."

Tim Boyd will compete in the 50- and 100-yard freestyle, Mike Hayhurst in the 50-yard freestyle and Skip Grantham in the 100-yard butterfly. None of these swimmers attended the NCAA meet but DiBiase said that may be an added incentive for them to do well at AAU.

"The guys that don't attend the NCAA meet really get psyched up for this meet. And this meet is not as team-oriented so there is a little more emphasis on individual achievement."

To qualify for the AAU meet, swimmers had to meet qualifying times during the season. Many of the swimmers who qualified for the NCAA meet had met qualifying times, but will not compete at the AAU meet. This may lead some to believe that the AAU meet is for second-stringers, but DiBiase said that this is not the case.

"The NCAA may be a little tougher in some events, but times are just as fast or faster in this meet as they were in the NCAA meet," he said.

### Redshirts can compete

DiBiase also said that good swimmers

who are not college students should also help make the AAU meet interesting.

"There will be a lot of good high school swimmers and swimmers who swim in clubs that are very good at this meet."

DiBiase also said some redshirt swimmers, who are unable to compete for their school this year, will swim.

Grantham, for example, is a redshirt.

DiBiase said the transfer student from Minnesota has been working hard during the season, even though he hasn't been eligible, and should do well at the meet.

He said the same situation exists for the Husker divers who were redshirted. They could not compete during the season, but qualified for the AAU meet through a zone qualifying meet.

### Divers expect tough competition

Two Husker redshirts, Dave Goodwin and Dave Keane, qualified for the meet—Goodwin in the one-meter and the three-meter events and Keane in the one-meter event. They will be joined by Scott Hinrichs, who competed in the NCAA meet, and Lance Green. Hinrichs qualified in the one-meter event and Green qualified in the three-meter event. All four divers will also compete in the 10-meter tower dive.

DiBiase said all the divers have a good chance at scoring in the meet.

"All four of these guys have an excellent chance at finishing near the top," he said. "They've been running and working

out and should be in good shape for the meet."

He said that, like the AAU swimming meet, the diving meet will also have some

tough competition.

"Our divers are fired up for the meet. Especially the redshirts, since they couldn't compete in many meets before this."



Photo by Mitch Hrdlicka

The UNL Rugby Club lost twice at the All-College Tournament in Lawrence, Kan. last weekend. UNL lost to Kansas State, 6-4 in the first round and was beaten by Pittsburg, Kan. College, 9-6, in the consolation game. Kansas University won the tournament and Missouri University was second.

"It was a big disappointment, because we went into the tournament with a 4-1 record," said Mitch Schainost, a member of the Rugby Club. He said the team expected to do better at the Big Eight tournament this Saturday and Sunday in Norman, Okla.

## Huskers sweep Creighton

The Husker baseball team won both ends of a doubleheader against Creighton, 1-0 and 5-1, Wednesday afternoon at Buck Beltzer Field.

Husker pitcher Tim Burke, now 5-3 on the season, allowed only two hits in the first game.

Greg Schafer lead off with a triple and

Joe Scherger sacrificed him in for Nebraska's only run in the first contest. The Huskers had four hits and no errors. Creighton had one error.

In the second game, Schafer singled, Chris Chavez walked, and Scherger hit a triple to bring two runs in. Scherger then went home on a wild pitch.

## Soccer team finishes second, third

The UNL soccer team opened its spring season by taking a third place at the Jayhawk Invitational March 29 and 30 at Kansas State.

Nebraska played Rockhurst in its first game, losing 1-0. The Huskers then beat Benedictan in a shoot-out after regular play ended in a 0-0 tie.

The second-ranked NAIA team in the nation, Rockhurst, won the tourney with Kansas State in second, and the Huskers

in third.

This past weekend the UNL soccer team traveled to the Iowa State Invitational at Ames, losing 4-3 in double overtime to Cyclones for second place.

To reach the finals UNL beat Drake 2-0 and Northern Iowa 4-0.

This weekend the soccer team will compete in a sixteen-team tourney at Wichita State, where they took fourth place last year.

# Despite disappointments, gymnast has no regrets

Gymnastics, just as any other sport, has its winners and losers. But, unlike most sports, gymnastics has an aura of perseverance and dedication which gives even the losers the look and attitude of winners.

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Take, for example, John Corritore, a parallel bars specialist from Arizona State University. Corritore was in Lincoln last week competing in the NCAA gymnastics championships.

Corritore won the NCAA individual championship in

## Female golfers win, men take 12th, 21st

UNL's men's golf team competed in two meets during spring break. The Husker golfers finished 21st at the Morris Williams Invitational and 12th at the Houston All-American Invitational. Knox Jones was the top finisher for the Huskers at Houston with a 72-hole score of 294.

Nebraska's women golfers took first place at the Midland Invitational over spring break. Jan Stanard took medalist honors with rounds of 80 and 82.

the parallel bars in 1978 while competing for Michigan. He sat out the 1979 season after transferring to Arizona State.

He competed in the parallel bars competition last week, but didn't make the cut for the individual championships, ending up in a three-way tie for 10th place, .05 out of the competition.

Not making the cut was disappointing to him, but he said dealing with disappointment is one thing an athlete must learn.

"I know it won't be the most disappointing thing I'll ever face in my life," he said.

### No regrets

Corritore said he has no regrets about his years in gymnastics because the determination he learned while training will eventually pay off in other ways.

A business major at ASU, Corritore said he is realistic about the future presented to most gymnasts, especially for the specialist.

"For the specialist there is so little opportunity after college," he said. "I realized I had to prepare for the life outside the gym."

"It takes a lot to compensate for what I've done, but I have no regrets because I'm looking forward to being a success in business."

"You can take the same skills in goal setting and apply them to anything," he said. "You just need successful organization of your time and skills."

Corritore plans to use the goal-setting skills he learned by applying to Harvard for the MBA program and for some overseas grants.

"Gymnastics has taught me to compete so that now

I really enjoy interviews and can excel in them," he said.

### Started late

Corritore started gymnastics relatively late, as a high school junior in 1974. He said he documented his workouts in a journal, even though he sometimes practiced as much as three times a day, seven days a week.

"If you want to be good, gymnastics becomes a lifestyle," he said.

"You get used to pushing yourself to the limit, to find what giving 100 percent is. Most people only give about 30 percent effort, but a gymnast knows he has to reach 100 percent in order to win."

"You can't really pinpoint what the 100 percent is, but it's a good feeling to go to sleep at night and know you've hit it."

Corritore said gymnastics keeps growing because of the efforts put out by so many.

"The things we can do now were considered impossible five years ago. At the meet I started thinking, boy these guys are good, I'm glad I'm getting out. Right there is the problem. That's a bad attitude. And that kind of thing in your subconscious is harder to overcome than any injury."

This was Corritore's last meet, but he feels no great sorrow. He's been in the gym every day since the meet, working out for sheer enjoyment.

"The emotion I felt marching out for the national anthem was indescribable. I fought back tears. I will miss competing, but I feel a power which will affect me the rest of my life," he said. "I wouldn't trade it for anything."