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Two teams vie for quadrathlon victory

By Jim Wegman

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After answering questions like "How many mammary glands does a ewe have?" a field of 12 teams were narrowed to two in the Fourth Annual Academic Quadrathlon Feb. 11 and 12 on East Campus. The event was sponsored by Block and Bridle the UNL animal science club.

The quadrathlon consisted of four parts. Team events Friday included a lab practical and an oral presentation. A quiz bowl and written exam followed on Saturday morning.

"R.B.'s Last Chance" (Jan Volk, Jeffrey Miller, Ralph Robinson, Scott Langemeier) and the "U.N. Barn Crew" (Paul Berger, Mike Sindt, Jack Dye, Ben Steffen) are the two teams that will square off Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at the East Union in a final 20minute quiz bowl.

Jenny Lees and Paul Oltjenbruns cochaired the event. Lees said it primarily drew agricultural students, although any UNL student carrying 12 or more hours was eligible to participate.

Medals were awarded to the first three teams in each part and will be awarded to the top three teams overall. The winner of Thursday's quiz bowl will travel to Illinois for a two-day regional competition at the University of Illinois in Urbana and in Chicago, Lees said.

The lab practical part of the competition involved 10 different stations, each emphasizing "hands-on experience" in an area of animal science. For example, at the horse station, team members had to bridle and saddle a horse.

During the oral presentation, teams were given one hour to research an assigned topic. They were given an additional halfhour to prepare a presentation with visual aids. They had 10 minutes to present their topic and were then asked questions by four judges.

The quiz bowl was a head-to-head, single-elimination event.

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Students 'have a ball' learning to communicate through sports

By Jann Nyffeler

Volleyball and basketball helped break international communication barriers Sunday night.

Through a common interest in agriculture, about 40 visiting Japanese students studying animal science and 25 UNL Block and Bridle Club members turned a pair of usually common games into a learning experience.

Theresa Konecky, a Block and Bridle member who had been acquainted with several Japanese students last year, said she recognized the need to eliminate some of the tension between Americans and Japanese. When she suggested volleyball as an ice-breaker, both groups were enthusiastic.

The Japanese students will be at UNL for three months as part of a two-year program that enables them to attend classes in different schools around the United States. Because they are only at the university for three months,

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Some students believe there are hard feelings between Japanese and American students, she said. Scott Langemeier, president of Block and Bridle, attributed this to "the difference between the way Americans treat foreigners and how other countries treat foreigners."

As the players warmed up, Langemeier said he was a bit pessimistic.

But after teams were set up, with both Japanese and Americans on each team, the action picked up. If the smiles, laughs and shouts from most players were any indication, the evening was a success.

Some Block and Bridle members, short of breath and looking exhausted, said, "Let's do it again next week." Their Japanese teammates were quick to grin and nod their heads in agreement.

Student group seeks support

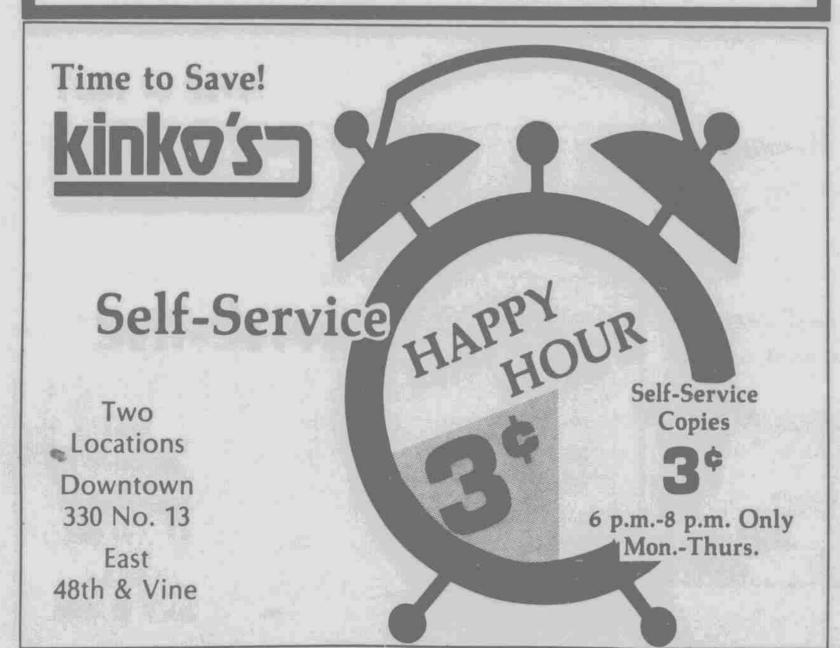
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for nuclear freeze

By Christopher Burbach

Three leaders of the UNL Nuclear Weapons Freeze Campaign Group Wednesday announced their organization's campaign to persuade the student body to say "yes" to a nuclear freeze question on the March 9 student ballot.

That question is: "Should the U.S. and U.S.S.R. pursue a complete halt to the nuclear arms race, and decide when and how to achieve a mutual and verifiable freeze on the amounts of their strategic nuclear arsenals?"

The speakers, all UNL students, were Ken Havlat, Alan Henning and Dave Milo Mumgaard.

"This question is one of dire importance in the world today," Henning read from a press release. Henning also said the nuclear arms race demands citizen comment, and the question gives students "an opportunity to make a statement which will be heard by elected officials."

Havlat said several freeze resolutions already have been passed. He said those supporting a freeze include 11 state legislatures, 276 city councils (including Lincoln's), Nebraska Physicians for Social Responsibility, several church groups and others.

Henning said his group will sponsor educational forums in both unions and other campus locations between now and March 9.

"We also challenge any student group to public debates on whether the nuclear arms freeze is a viable arms control option," he said. "There is no question in anyone's mind about the importance of this issue," Henning said. He said UNL students need to inform Congress and the president about their feelings on the nuclear arms race.

Corrections

In the Alumni Society story in the Feb. 15 issue of the Daily Nebraskan, the last paragraph should have read that graduates get both second and third years of alumni association memberships for half price. It also should have read that national dues are expected to increase to \$20 by 1985.