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Sports Huskers, Jays split double-header

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OMAHA — Unable to shake the second-game blues, Nebraska split a baseball double-header with Creighton at Rosenblatt Stadium Wednesday.

Bluejay pitcher Dave Hartnetp earned his second win over the Huskers this season in a seven-hit 4-2 Creighton victory. Nebraska won the opener 11-0 in a game shortened to seven innings by the ten-run rule.

"We've got no excuse," Nebraska coach John Sanders said after the loss, which dropped Nebraska's record to 39-13. "I don't know. I'm not into psychological mind games. If there was a lack of concentration from the blowout, that's no excuse." Wednesday was the third time in its last four double-headers that Nebraska lost the second game after winning the first. The Huskers had split four games with Oklahoma in that manner last weekend. Creighton staked Hartnetp to a two run cushion

in the first inning, sided by a two-out error by first baseman Mike Duncan. John Schnaible and Tim Osgood followed with singles. Osgood's scoring Eric Campbell, then shortstop Jeff Carter bobbled a ball hit by Brad Zach. Schnaible scored on the play.

Two tag-outs of Nebraska runners at home by catcher Andy Holt held the Huskers' second-inning rally to one run. After Bill McGuire scored on an error by Creighton shortstop Elvis Dominquez, Kurt Eubanks was thrown out by first baseman Osgood. Craig Radcliffe then was called out while trying to score on Carter's single.

A second-inning scoring error by McGuire set up Creighton's third run, but Nebraska again pulled to within one on Paul Meyers' third inning homer.

Meyers was stranded at third base in the fifth inning in Nebraska's last scoring threat.

The Bluejays added a run in the fifth on three singles and a throwing error by Carter.

Hartnetp exhibited excellent control, walking only two and striking out three. "I just said a few prayers before I took the mound and then during the game," he said with a laugh.

Nebraska had the laugh in the first game as it sent eight men to the plate in a five-run first inning.

Consecutive doubles by Scott Hooper and Myers precede a walk, a McGuire double and a Eubanks single that scored two runs Radcliffe doubled in the final run, but was thrown out at third base while trying to stretch the hit.

With the wind blowing out to left field throughout the game, McGuire and Bill Hendricks collected long-awaited home runs.

McGuire's solo homer in the third, resulted from the Omaha Creighton Prep graduate being more aggressive in hitting. "I just felt I haven't been aggressive, and I tried to turn on the ball today," the Husker catcher said.

Hendricks' three run drive was the first of the year for the 30-year-old Husker, and came during a seventh inning pinch hitting appearance. In nine games against Creighton, Hendricks has batted .480 with 16 runs batted in.

Hooper stole two bases to surpass the Big Eight single season record, set last season by Jim Walewander of Iowa State. The Husker senior now has 48 steals in 52 attempts.

Harrison, in picking up his tenth win, set a Nebraska single season record for victories. The Husker freshman settled down after walking the bases full in the first inning and recorded a one hit shutout.

Creighton, whose coach Dave Underwood resigned earlier this week, is now 18-14.

Nebraska plays Wichita State in a 1 p.m. double-

Team aims for individual wins

By Jeff Browne

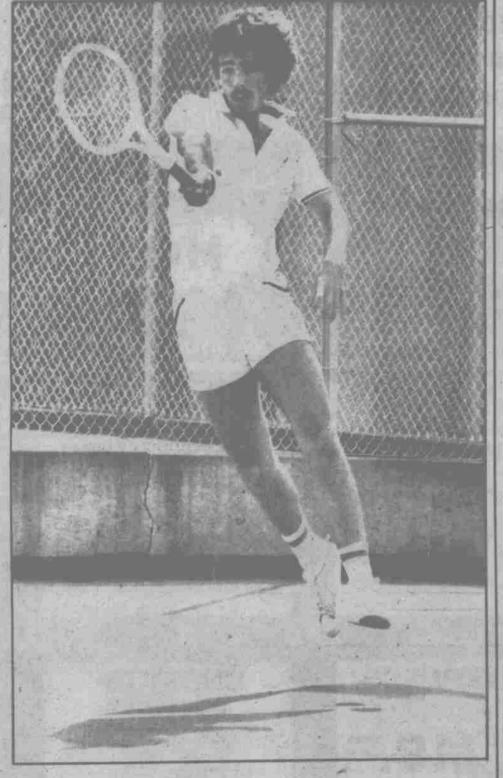
Only a rash of upsets could push the UNL men's tennis team ahead in the Big Eight standings. But team members hope to capture a couple of individual titles at the Big Eight tournament today and Friday.at Woodside, Kan.

Coach Kerry McDermott said last year's conference meet was difficult on his team because they were expected to do fairly well. They placed third.

Nebraska is in fifth place entering this weekend's action with 23 team points. Oklahoma State is on top with 51, followed by Oklahoma, Kansas and Colorado.

McDermott said Jim Carson should be seeded second or third in No. 5 singles play. Carson and Craig Johnson may be seeded first in No. 1 doubles competition.

McDermott said that, realistically, the best UNL probably will do as a team is fourth place, nudging out Colorado. The Buffaloes lead Nebraska by three points in overall league play.



But McDermott said there is no reason to limit team expectations, although the fifth-place standing is a disappointment.

"The competition is so close that if there's a couple of upsets in the tournament, we can take Colorado," he said. "The guys are going to try to go in to win individual titles."

Carson enters the meet with a 13-9 record. His doubles record with Johnson stands at 14-6. The duo must win the Big Eight meet impressively, McDermott said, in order for them to advance to the NCAA Tournament in May.

McDermott said the team's loss Saturday to Kansas came as a real blow.

"Kansas has been playing real well," McDermott said. "We've never lost to Kansas as a team before. I thought we played well against Kansas, though. It was our best match of the year." David Creamer/Dally Nebraskan

Brian Edwards leaves the ground to return a shot in action against Colorado earlier this season.



header today at Buck Beltzer Field.

Bicyclists' wheels will spin during 3-day Arbortour

Pedals will spin in southeast Nebraska this weekend as more than 40 bicyclists undertake a threeday, 200-mile Arbortour. Cyclists will leave at 10 a.m., Friday from the Holiday Skateworld, 56th and Highway 2 in Lincoln, and head for Indian Cave State Park. Arbortour participants will cycle back to Holiday Skateworld, arriving Sunday.

Nebraska City will be the first major stop Friday for cyclists. At 3:30 p.m., Arbortour participants will plant a redbud tree in front of the Nebraska City Chamber of Commerce, 117 N. Eight St. This ceremony follows a traditional 1 p.m. planting ceremony at Nuckolls Square to kick off Arbor Day weekend activities.

After the redbud tree planting, cyclists will eat dinner and camp overnight at Waubonsie State Park Bicyclists will eat breakfast in Hamburg, Iowa, Saturday morning.

Arbortour cyclists then will ride to Rockport, Mo., Brownville and Indian Cave State Park. They will camp at Auburn and eat dinner and Sunday breakfast there. Then the cyclists will head northwest to Lincoln.

Tour leader Rod Ruzanic said participants will carry their own gear, including tents, sleeping bags, clothing and tools. Ruzanic said the tour is a "hilly scenic" ride.

Participants are avid bicyclists ranging in age from 14 to 54 years. They come from Aurora, Beatrice, Bellevue, Columbus, Lincoln, Loomis, Nebraska City, Omaha, Peru, Ravenna, Wilbur and York.

Arbortour 1984 is sponsored by the American Lung Association of Nebraska and Dorsey Laboratories. Food is donated by Demma's IGA, 70th and A streets, and Cycle Works; 27th and Vine streets. The city of Lincoln is providing technical assistance and on-the-road emergency bike service.