

Intramural program . . .

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One of the major causes for conflicts last year was the sportsmanship ratings.

The ratings of 1 through 5 are given based on predetermined criteria. The referees, a rec department official and the opposing team captain determine the ratings. The scores are averaged together at the end of the game to determine the sportsmanship score.

Any team with a score below 2.5 was warned throughout the season, and if the score occurred in a playoff game, that team was thrown out of the playoffs.

The major argument arose in the men's flag football playoffs, when Sigma Chi A-1 — the defending champions and the No. 1 team all season — was ejected from the playoffs after a low sportsmanship score. Some opponents came to the Sigma Chi defense, saying the referees had it "in" for the team and were going to give them a low score regardless of the actual field play. Others said the Sigma Chi score was close to 2.5 all season and the team might have deserved their fate.

This year, Scheele said, the ratings were modified by the all-student Campus Recreation Advisory Council to include the season average into the playoff scores.

"If it's high enough (the season average), one bad playoff score will not get a team eliminated," Scheele said. "We thought that would be the fairest thing to do."

Another change will be in the

football rules themselves. In the past, teams had been allowed to pass forward or sideways or whatever as many times as they wished until play had stopped. This year, the rules have been changed to resemble regular college football . . . only one forward pass per play.

The reason, Scheele said, is because of the success of a UNL intramural team at a national tournament. Smith 10 won the UNL championship, then the regionals at UNO before finishing third at the women's flag football championships in New Orleans. The players had to adjust to regular rules for the tournament.

Other changes will include a quicker, streamlined check-out service to reduce the time a student has to wait for materials. Mabel Lee 313 has been modified for better use of its volleyball facilities and classes will be offered for adults in swimming and tennis, each at a nominal fee of \$10 to \$15.

Scheele also said she has talked to UNO about some extramural games between the two universities, which could lead to a Nebraska state intramural championship in some sports such as volleyball and basketball.

One thing that probably won't change is the size pinch at the open recreation facilities.

"The number of people (using open rec facilities) has increased over the years," said Roseanne Lidle, assistant coordinator of intramurals. "The buildings will

always be crowded based on the lack of space. I don't see that changing much until a new building is built."

Some of the early competition dates for UNL Recreation:

Aug. 30: Intramural Chairpersons meeting, Nebraska Union.

Sept. 4: Intramural Flag Football officials meeting: Col. Room 7.

Sept. 5: Punt Pass and Kick for men's, women's and co-rec; no advance entry.

Sept. 10: Tennis Singles, Co-Rec Tennis Doubles, Co-Rec Flag Football, Men's Slow Pitch Softball; entry dates for all sports Aug. 27 to Sept. 5.

Sept. 14: Cross Country; no advance entry.

Sept. 17: Outdoor Racquetball Singles, Co-Rec Racquetball Doubles. Entry dates Aug. 29 to Sept. 11.

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