

Sports

Swimmers prepare for Frogs

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Coming off an impressive dual meet with Air Force, the Nebraska men's swimming team is preparing for a pair of meets in Texas this weekend.

The defending Big Eight champions crushed the Cadets, 84-30, winning nine of 13 events.

Olympic diver Reynaldo Castro and backstroke Ed Jowdy paced the Husker win.

Castro, who represented the Dominican Republic in the Summer Olympic Games, claimed top honors on both the 1-meter and 3-meter diving boards.

While Castro dominated the diving, Jowdy and sophomore Mike Edmonson won the 200-yard back-

stroke and 50-yard freestyle, respectively. The two former high school All-Americans teamed with Aaron Drake and Jeff Brown to claim the 400-yard medley relay.

Air Force's James Bogman took top honors in three events, including the 500- and 1000-yard freestyles, and the 200-yard individual medley.

The 400-yard freestyle relay was the only other event where the Cadets were victorious.

Nebraska Coach Cal Bentz was ecstatic about his squad's recent performances, but warned that now isn't the time to decrease their intensity.

"We're making progress," Bentz said. "We're working hard and improving our times."

"I've been pleased with the

results so far, but I don't want us to shut down now."

Bentz hopes to see more improvement when the Huskers travel to the Lone Star State Friday to swim against Southern Methodist.

Bentz said the Mustangs have a strong program, which includes several Olympic Swimmers.

"It's going to be an excellent opportunity for us to swim against some fast people," Bentz said. "That is how we improve — swimming against faster people as opposed to slower people."

Although the two teams are competitive rivals, Bentz said SMU and Nebraska maintain a "good relationship." The Mustangs plan to come to Lincoln for the Husker's invitational meet this winter.

Texas Christian is next on the agenda for Nebraska. The Huskers travel to Fort Worth Saturday for a dual meet with the Horned Frogs.

Bentz said he wasn't sure if TCU swims as well as its nickname suggests.

"I really don't know much about TCU," Bentz said. "Our objective of swimming against them is to have another meet scheduled for our Texas trip."

The long road trips are a tough adjustment for the swimmers, both athletically and academically. Bentz said he refrains from scheduling too many road trips because the athletes miss classes and fall behind in their studies.

"One of the toughest things for us is being away from home," Bentz said. "We try to minimize our trips because of academics."

Women swimmers battle 'third element'

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In due time, the Nebraska women's swimming team will only have to worry about the opposition in the pool. But not just yet.

Aside from a home dual match last Friday, wherein the sophomore-dominated squad walloped the Air Force 90-23, the Huskers have had to battle a third element that has little to do with competition. They had to fight food poisoning in the Big Eight Invitational in Lawrence, and will have to deal with the altitude factor this weekend in duals against Wyoming and Colorado State in Laramie.

"Colorado State and Wyoming use it (altitude) to their advantage," Nebraska Coach Ray Huppert said. "There will be some effect."

In addition, Wyoming and Colorado State aren't pushovers. Huppert said the Cowgirls can beat Nebraska with a good effort if his team thinks they don't have to work hard to win. The Rams, he said, are comparable in talent to Big Eight power Kansas.

But the altitude factor favoring those teams should be negated, at least physically, Huppert said.

"It really should mean little or nothing to us because we go through enough aerobic and anaerobic workouts to prepare for it," Huppert said. "Physically, it shouldn't be a big factor. But mentally, it's the biggest factor of all."

After the second-place finish in Lawrence, Huppert was unsure how the team would perform so soon after the food poisoning.

"We weren't sure what to expect since we laid off a week with a lot of people being sick," Huppert said. "I was very happy with our performance."

"They're like anybody else," he said of the Cowgirls. "They're a division one school with good athletes. They have a few good individuals that will provide good competition."

After the Wyoming meet Thursday, the team will travel Friday to Colorado State, then go back to Wyoming Saturday for the Wyoming relays. Even though the Rams have had good teams, the Huskers have won the last two duals.

"We beat them pretty easily here last year after they made a long trip in," Huppert said. "I know they would like to win this meet. They will definitely be ready for it."

The Huskers will have two home meets scheduled for Nov. 30 and Dec. 1, and a dual with Iowa is slated for Dec. 7.

Lady cagers set for intrasquad game

The lineups aren't set yet, but the Nebraska women's basketball team will begin its season Sunday night with the annual Red-White game in Wahoo.

The 6 p.m. game at Wahoo Neumann High School will be the first public appearance for the Huskers, whose season begins Nov. 23 with the Husker Invitational.

Husker coach Kelly Hill said her team has been working most on rebounding and defense during its practices.

"We're going to be about the same kind of team we were last year," Hill said. "We've put in a couple of new defenses, but we're going to work as hard on aggressive defense and transition as we did last season."

Rebounding has been the big-

gest area of concern, since the Huskers did not do a particularly good job of that last year.

"For some reason, we forget that that was important," Hill said. "We paid for it in some pretty disastrous ways a few times."

The Red-White game is annually moved around the state to help promote the team, Hill said.

"This is our chance to give the team a little promotion, and it also helps out our public relations," Hill said. "Wahoo is near enough to Omaha and Lincoln to draw a little from that crowd."

"Either way, I'm not looking forward to that next game," Hill said. "I was looking at our schedule the other day, and wondered why we're playing these kinds of teams."

Nebraska reds defeat whites

The Nebraska Red team defeated the Whites 64-52 in an intrasquad men's basketball game before 1,500 at Omaha Northwest High School Tuesday night.

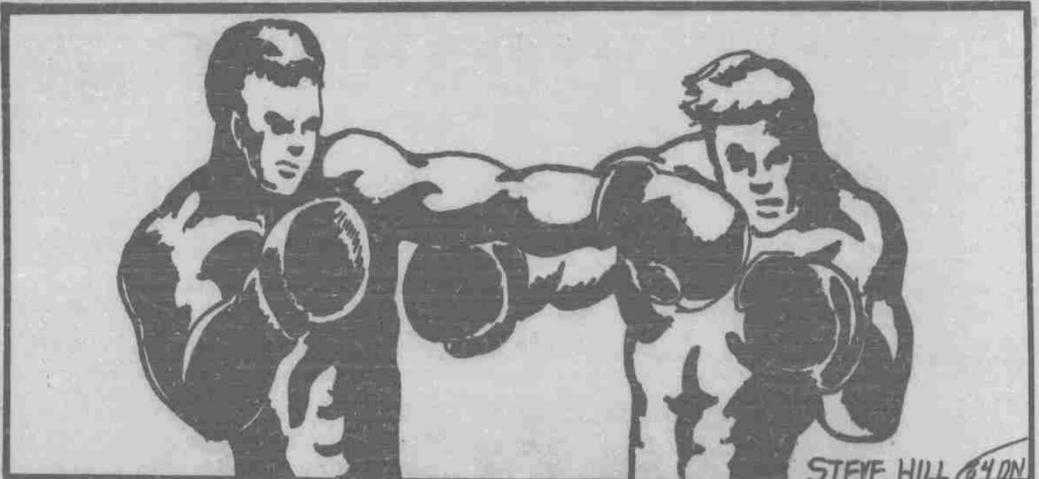
Dave Hoppen led the Red team with 16 points, while Curtis Moore and Harvey Marshall scored 12 points a piece.

Mike Martz, a sophomore from Beatrice, kept the White team in the game early with three straight baskets toward the end of the half. The Reds had as much as a nine point lead early in the half.

"I was much happier with our second half execution," Nebraska coach Moe Iba said. Sophomore Brian Carr, who runs the Husker offense, was out with the flu and missed the game. Freshman Joel Sealer played in his place with the first unit red team.

"Joel played well, but he's going to have to learn he can't do some of the things he did in high school," Iba said.

The Husker season opens Monday, Nov. 26 against Windsor College.



Olympic boxers to make pro debuts

NEW YORK — Professional boxing, badly in need of new blood, will get a large transfusion Thursday night when four American Olympic champions and two other U.S. medal winners make their professional debuts at Madison Square Garden.

A capacity, non-paying crowd of about 20,000 will be on hand at the long-time boxing mecca to see the first pro appearances of

gold medalists Mark Breland, Tyrell Biggs, Pernell Whitaker and Meldrick Taylor; silver medalist Evander Holyfield and bronze medal winner Virgil Hill.

All six boxers are scheduled to fight six-round bouts on a card billed as "The Night of Gold" that will be televised nationally by ABC.

Welterweight Mark Breland, the most highly-regarded member of the U.S. team, which won a record

nine gold medals in the 12 weight categories at the Los Angeles Olympics, meets Dwight Williams in the feature bout.

With the exception of Hill, a late addition to Thursday's card, the Olympians have signed four-year contracts with Main Events, which in turn has negotiated a long-term contract with ABC that calls for each of them to fight on the network five times.

Boxing club starts season

The UNL Boxing Club lost some experienced boxers, and is in "desperate" need of under-150 pound boxers. But, in spite of these weaknesses, the team got off to a good start at a smoker last weekend in Omaha.

UNL won 3 of 5 matches Saturday at an open Golden Gloves smoker at Our Lady of Guadalupe Recreational center, said coach Randy Nelsen.

John Wagner of UNL at 128 pounds lost a three-round decision to Troy Frampton of the Sportsman's boxing club of Omaha.

UNL's John Moorehead, at 176 pounds, stopped John Calhoun of the CW boxing club of Council Bluffs 1:15 into the second round.

UNL's Mick Nissen, at 163 pounds, knocked Joe Vampola out 1:10 into the second round of their bout. Vampola boxes for the Downtown Omaha boxing club.

Wagner, Moorehead and Nissen are new members of the UNL club, Nelsen said. He said he was pleased with their performances.

At 183 pounds, Marc Grimminger stopped Don Bauer, of the 1140 boxing club in Omaha, 47 seconds into the first round.

Nelsen was impressed with Grimminger's performance.

"Grimminger looked like a surgeon out there," Nelsen said. "He was just beautiful. He looked like an artist."

UNL heavyweight John Krolkowski lost a three-round decision to Robert Starr of the CW boxing club.

Nelsen said the UNL boxing club will travel to Glenwood, Iowa, for a tournament Friday and Saturday at the National Guard Armory.

Anyone interested in joining the boxing club should contact Nelsen at 488-4816.

Rec Scoreboard	
FLAG FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIPS	15-9, 10-15, 15-13
Playboys 28 (4.0), Madballers 19 (3.8)	Chopsticks def. AFROTC 14-8, 15-3
VOLLEYBALL	Abel Eight def. Abel Eleven 15-8, 15-13
Women's Play-offs	Delta Tau Delta def. Beta Sigma Psi 15-4, 15-3
Pounders def. AP-Five 15-10, 15-7	Delta Upsilon def. Sigma Chi 15-7, 15-7
Smith Nine def. Generics 15-10, 15-2	Loose Bladder Construction def. Star Slammers 16-14, 15-3
Burr Three East def. Smith Ten 15-9, 6-15, 15-12	Harper Seven def. Abel Five 17-15, 14-12
Alpha Delta Pi def. Schramm Three Studettes 5-5, 15-7	Triangle def. Chi Phi 15-0, 15-9
Love Hall def. Alpha Omicron Pi 15-0, 15-8	Beta Theta Pi def. Beta Sigma Psi 15-4, 15-11
Kappa Alpha Theta def. Ballettes 15-1, 15-3	BOWLING
Men's	Kingpen Kegler
Total Sound def. Tigers 15-9, 14-12	High games, series — Kurt Borg, Lucky Strikes 192, 484 Holly Brown, Lucky Strikes 188, Jan Pollard, Who Cares? 480.
Old Style Fan Club def. McDonald's Farmers 15-9, 16-14	Pin Pounders
Schramm Four def. Cather Six 15-13, 13-15, 15-8	High games, series — Terry Tucker, Dirty Old Sloba 208, 532 Trina Pekas, D'Risksies, 210, 496.
Kappa Sigma def. Phi Kappa Psi	