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Women's basketball team sets 9 NU strength records

By Steve Sipple
 Staff Reporter

If the 1987-88 strength and agility scores of the Nebraska women's basketball team are any indication, Coach Angela Beck said, the Cornhuskers are in for a successful season.

The Huskers set records in all nine strength and agility categories during their annual preseason testing session the last week of August.

Beck, who is entering her second season at Nebraska, said the test results are an excellent sign of what to expect this season.

"I wouldn't want any other sign," Beck said. "A lot of the time, you can set the attitude and goals (during the preseason). I didn't have to set the goals or attitude. I could tell right then that we are wanting a Big Eight championship. We're wanting more from this season than a halfway run."

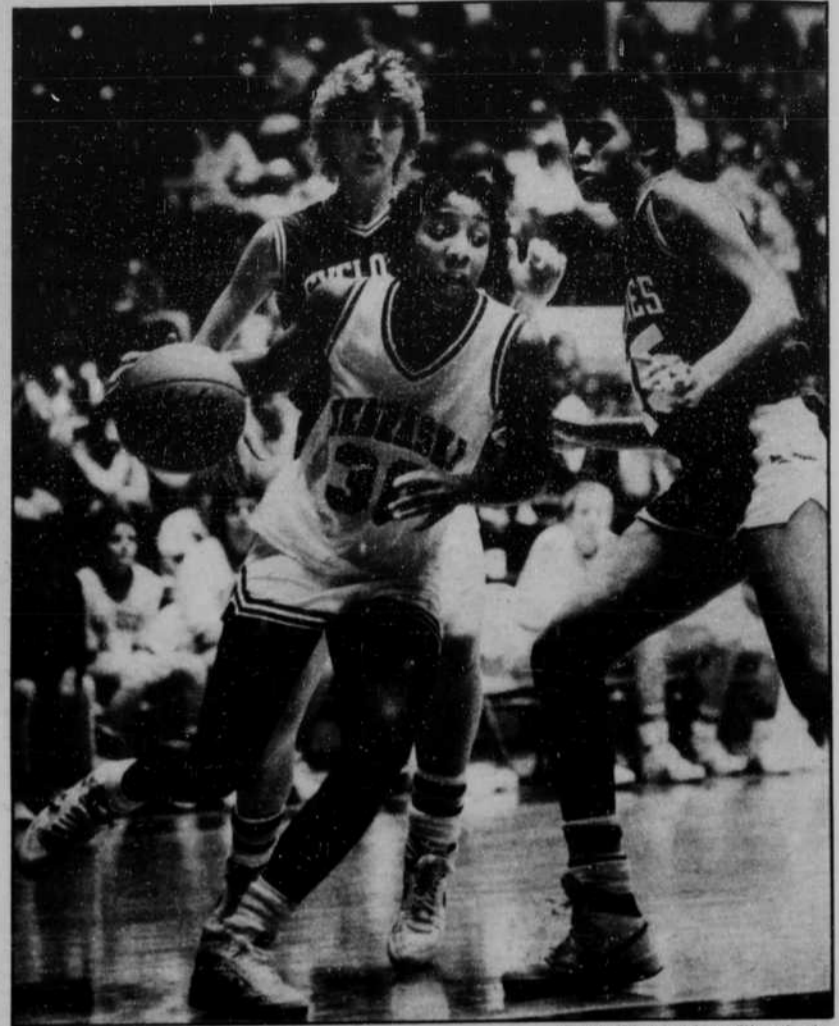
Senior guard forward Maurtice Ivy of Omaha led Nebraska by setting five records. She had record-setting marks of 8.4 seconds in the agility run, 24.5 inches in the vertical jump, 60.11 seconds in the 300-yard run, 72 sit-ups and 55 push-ups.

"I thought she showed not only leadership characteristics, but also showed her athletic ability and set the pace for everybody," Beck said. "I think she'll be a big catalyst this year."

Senior Heather Smith, a former All-America high jumper who will play forward for Nebraska, set two records. She set two sprinting records by covering the 10-yard dash in a time of 1.66 and 30 yards in 3.87 seconds.

Sabrina Brooks, a transfer from Moberly, Mo., Junior College, set a preseason mark with 15 pull-ups, and senior Stephanie Bolli of Burwell set the record in the seated shot put with a toss of 18-3.

"Sabrina Brooks, I think, will surprise a lot of people," Beck said. "Amy Bullock (point guard) didn't set any records, but she will be a good floor leader. She's shown a lot of



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Nebraska's Maurtice Ivy drives past two Iowa State defenders last season. Ivy set five records during the Cornhuskers' recent preseason testing season.

spirit."

Overall, the 14 players averaged 19 inches in the vertical jump, 15-11 in the seated shot put, 1.96 seconds in the 10-yard dash, 4.5 seconds in the 30-yard dash, 64.45 seconds in the 300-yard run, 6.3 pull-ups, 55.9 sit-ups and 28.2 push-ups.

Beck said the off-season program was the toughest she has been in-

olved with during her eight-year coaching career.

"It's a very stringent program," she said. "Everyone feels they're in the best condition they've ever been in."

"It will help not only physically, but also mentally."

Beck also announced that Ivy, Bolli and Amy Stephens have been selected as tri-captains.

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Red Cross team will be honored during Cornhusker game Saturday

By Mike Kluck
 Staff Reporter

When Nebraska plays South Carolina on Saturday, more than 60 volunteer members of the Red Cross will take to Memorial Stadium to challenge health problems.

This will be a different Saturday, though, because the Red Cross will be honored before the game by First Aid Team Appreciation Day.

Dave Norris, public relations director for the Red Cross, said buckets will be located throughout the stadium for donations to be made. He said the donations help to recover costs.

"The donations will be used for recertification of the Red Cross volunteers," Norris said. "It also helps us pay for roller, Ace and gauze bandages."

Norris said Red Cross officials are hoping to raise more than \$18,000 this year, an increase of \$8,000 over last year and \$6,000 more than the year before.

Although the \$18,000 figure is high, Norris said, it can be reached.

"We are very appreciative of the people who have donated in the past, but when you get 76,000 people together, that is not even 25 cents a person," Norris said.

Norris said that although any type of injury can occur at a football game, falls that can include broken bones are the most widely reported accidents. He said other accidents that occur include heart failure, bee stings, heat exhaustion and cuts sustained from thrown plastic cups.

Norris said if a person is injured, they will be attended to by a qualified person who will assist, if necessary, in getting them to the Red Cross room located in the southeast end of the stadium. He said the person will then be attended to by a physician and volunteer nurses.

"In 1985, in the game against Florida State, we treated over 200 people and were very proud that we could treat that many," Norris said.

Nebraska football coach Tom Osborne said he appreciates the efforts of the Red Cross.

"My dad was in the stadium for a number of years, and he had a bad heart. I was worried about him climbing up the steps to his seat, and it was always comforting to me to know that they were here," Osborne said. "We are very appreciative of their efforts."

Nebraska athletic director Bob Devaney, who is the honorary chairman for the Red Cross, said he is impressed by the Red Cross.

"They are a very good and well-organized organization," Devaney said. "I am very impressed with their willingness to help out."

Norris said the Red Cross has been at every home football game for more than 30 years. He said they are also present at Husker basketball games, the State Fair and all Lincoln Public High School football and city recreation games.

Norris said the Red Cross was also at FarmAid III.

Injuries hold back defensive line

By Kent Endacott
 Staff Reporter

Defensive Coordinator Charlie McBride says he's getting tired of waiting for the Nebraska defensive line to play up to its preseason billing.

"I'm not real satisfied with where the defensive line is right now," McBride said. "Injuries have really held us back."

But Coach Tom Osborne said the injury situation for the South Carolina game has improved. Returning to practice Thursday were defensive tackle Neil Smith and

middle guard Lawrence Pete, both suffering from slight knee strains; defensive end Broderick Thomas, who suffered a dislocated shoulder against Arizona State; cornerback Charles Fryar, deep thigh bruise; and defensive tackle Lee Jones, who has been bothered most of the season by an ankle injury.

Those players are expected to play important roles in Nebraska's pass defense against South Carolina.

Osborne said the fact that Nebraska has been running some plays out of the Run and Shoot formation this season will help the

defense prepare for South Carolina.

"I'm not going to say we're a Run and Shoot team," he said. "We just kind of fiddle around with it. But I think our defense has lined up against it more than they had last year certainly, and I hope that will help."

McBride said the defensive line has to help itself by putting more pressure on South Carolina quarterback Todd Ellis Saturday than it did against UCLA and Arizona State. Last week in Tempe, Ariz.,

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