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Nebraska women's swimming coach Ray Huppert sported a tuxedo while displaying a wide variety of emotions during the Big Eight championships.

Swimmers mark decade of domination

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rence Roddick. Frampton teamed with Mike Irvin, Peter Williams and Nieuwenhuis to form Nebraska's winning 400 medley relay team and won the 100 and 200 breaststroke titles.

Nieuwenhuis won the 200 freestyle and finished second to Kansas'

Glenn Trammel in the 100 freestyle. Meyers and Roddick tied for the 1-meter diving title with a Big Eight record and NCAA-qualifying total of 558.3 points.

Frampton said the only disappointing aspect about his performance was he did not qualify for the NCAA's. Frampton narrowly missed reaching the NCAA qualifying mark of 56.04 in the 100-yard breaststroke

when he finished in 56.61 and missed the NCAA qualifying mark of 2:01.57 in the 200 breaststroke when he finished in 2:03.83.

Frampton said the absence of Kansas' Bobby Kelley did not affect his performance. Kelley entered the meet as the conference's top competitor in the 200 breaststroke, but was disqualified in Saturday's preliminary competition.

"In the back of my mind it may have played a part but I didn't realize it," Frampton said. "I guess it wasn't meant to be."

Nieuwenhuis said Trammel's presence in the 100 freestyle aided his performance. Trammel won the event with an NCAA-qualifying time of 44.33, while Nieuwenhuis also qualified with a 44.39 clocking.

"I'm very pleased,"

Nieuwenhuis said. "Very much so." Nieuwenhuis said he was also pleased with Nebraska's victory.

"We came into this meet not confident that we could win because Kansas is a much improved team," he said. "We were able to pull ahead when they lost about 70 points because of disqualifications. Take that away and our lead is nothing."

NU assistant coach Melton announces his retirement

By Nick Hodge
Senior Reporter

Nebraska assistant football coach John Melton retired Friday amid reports that he will now concentrate on fund-raising projects for the Cornhusker athletic program.



Melton

Melton, 61, is recovering from quintuple-bypass surgery that he underwent Feb. 14. He announced his retirement after 27 years with Nebraska.

Nebraska athletic director Bob Devaney praised Melton's dedication.

"I'm glad to have John working with us in fund-raising, but I know the football team will miss him," Devaney said. "I know he will help us out

in our fund raising effort."

Devaney said Melton has been a valuable asset to the Devaney-Tom Osborne era, which has produced the best won-loss record in the nation. Melton arrived at Nebraska in 1962 after serving as Devaney's assistant coach at Wyoming.

"John contributed a lot with my teams at both Nebraska and Wyoming," Devaney said. "He continued to contribute to Coach Osborne's

staff and I'm sure Coach Osborne would agree."

Devaney said Melton retired now partly because he couldn't coach during spring practice, which might hurt the Cornhuskers.

"We could use people with John's ability to get along with people in our fund-raising," Devaney said.

Melton, who joined Devaney's Wyoming coaching staff in 1957, coached the freshman team, tight

ends and the wingbacks prior to becoming Nebraska's linebacker coach.

Before joining Devaney at Wyoming, Melton posted a 47-13 record as the football coach at Thermopolis (Wyo.) High School.

Melton starred at Union High in Burgettsstown, Pa., before playing three years as a standout fullback for Wyoming.

3 individuals, 2 relay teams qualify for NCAA meet

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didn't feel right," Kwizera said. "But I knew this was my last chance to qualify and with Regis hurt, the mile relay needed me, so I had to do it."

Humphrey, who arrived at the Sports Center on crutches, said the trainers won't tell him what his chances are of recovery. He said Harris will be the final judge in determining whether he will compete at

nationals.

"They want me to keep optimistic so I mentally stay up," Humphrey said. "This has never happened to me before, but I have a well-conditioned body. I want everybody to pray for me and I'm gonna pray every day."

Humphrey said he wants to be a part of the relay team at nationals. He said that if it came down to a choice between the 800 and relay, he would pick the relay.

"I figure I gave a lot on the relay."

"I ran the relay with a lot of pain," Humphrey said. "I think we have a bonafide relay team and we have a good chance of placing high for Nebraska. Our team ran with a lot of pride and determination and I can't see letting them down. I have three others who are depending on me, who have worked very hard."

Humphrey also said having to run just one heat in the relay compared to preliminaries and finals in the 800 would be a determining factor. But, he said, he would not hurt the relay team's chances if he is not 100 per-

cent.

Harris said he would rather see Humphrey compete in the 800. But he said he won't risk additional damage that could affect Humphrey's outdoor season.

Morris said now that he's qualified, the pressure is off. He said he feels confident about his chances at the NCAA meet.

"There was no question in my mind that I could do it," Morris said. "Now I'm going in with all intentions of winning the meet."

Ten Bensel said she was surprised

by her performance. She said her winning time of 2:09.30 was a surprise because she never expected to run under 2:10.

"I knew this was the only chance I had and I just decided to go for it," ten Bensel said. "I liked the track, it was really fast."

Ten Bensel said she will be relaxed at nationals because she has already competed on the banked track at the Hoosier Dome.

"It will be totally different, but I haven't looked ahead," she said. "I haven't really thought about it."

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Basketball season ends for women

By Nick Hodge
Senior Reporter

A scoring drought in the game's closing minutes forced the conclusion of the Nebraska women's basketball season.

Nebraska failed to score in the final three minutes in its 74-59 loss to Kansas State Saturday night in the opening round of the Big Eight Tournament at the Bicentennial Center in Salina, Kan.

The loss ended Nebraska's season with a 14-14 record.

Nebraska's No. 2 all-time leading scorer Amy Stephens scored the Huskers' final 10 first half points, but Kansas State led Nebraska 34-27 at halftime.

The Wildcats, 18-10, outscored Nebraska 12-6 in the opening minutes of the second half to open a 46-33 lead with 13:09 remaining.

Two free throws by Nebraska forward Kelly Hubert and a layup by forward Ann Halsne cut the Wildcat lead to 56-51 with 6:29 remaining.

The Wildcats scored the game's last 11 points, including clutch free throws down the stretch to seal the win.