

NU athletes make honor roll

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The University of Nebraska-Lincoln placed 113 athletes on the Big Eight Conference Honor Roll in the 1988-89 school year, more than any other Big Eight school. UNL had 24 more athletes on the honor roll than runner-up Iowa State University, which had 89. UNL's number included six straight-A students. Those students are: football senior Mark Blazek, who is from Valparaiso and majors in social science education; freshman Rachel Collins, a tennis player from Thousand Oaks, Calif.; track sophomore Lynne Frey, who is from Tucumcari, N.M., and studies pre-

pharmacy; track junior Kimberly Guthrie, from Amarillo, Texas, an English major; Fort Calhoun native Janet Kruse, a volleyball freshman in general studies; and volleyball member Virginia Stahr, a senior from Waco majoring in elementary education. Each of the universities in the Big Eight submits names of athletes who received grades of 3.0 or better on a 4.0 scale to the conference honor roll. Each school has about the same number of athletes, UNL athletic director Bob Devaney said. Devaney said UNL's coaches stress academics and try to recruit student-athletes, which would lead to UNL's higher number on the honor roll.

Gambling has its place

There was a heck of a bingo game at the Knights of Columbus a couple nights ago, yet there was no mention of it in the sports section of the newspaper. That's surprising, considering how much sports coverage gambling-related activities get. Pick up a sports section these days and you're bound to find stories, post-times, results and so on about horse racing and dog racing. There's lists of betting lines for almost every sport. USA Today's sports page even has a section every day which lists the winning numbers from lotteries all over the country.



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with the headline "Julie Krone, the best woman jockey ever." Pretty impressive, until you try to think of other women jockeys who she is better than. If anybody knows of another great woman jockey, tell me, because I'm still trying to think of one. Fans of these so-called sports will reply by saying that people bet tons of money on baseball, football and every other sport. True. But millions of non-betting fans still attend these sporting events. How many people would attend the dog races if they couldn't bet? A few dog lovers might show up, but that's about it. Dog racing and horse racing wouldn't last long with "crowds" of 10 or 15 people in the stands.

I enjoy going to the horse and dog races. I usually return home humbled and penniless, but I always have fun. So I'm not saying we should shut down these places.

What angers me is the space gambling takes away from legitimate sports in our newspapers, magazines and sport shows. Whenever I see a story on one of these events I always think of how that space could have been used to cover a real sport.

I'm calling on sports editors of the world to unite and leave dog racing, horse racing, lotteries and all other events based on gambling to the entertainment section. Because that's what they are -- entertainment.

The only gambling-related stories I want to see in the sports section should involve Pete Rose.

On second thought, I'm sick of that story too.

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Cyclist takes on nationals

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He rides his bicycle three to four hours a day, every day. He puts anywhere from 350 to 400 miles on his bike every week. And he also works as a bike mechanic at Cycle Works.

Kevin Burke, a 25-year-old senior sociology major at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, has been cycling seriously for about seven seasons. This year, he was Nebraska's lone representative at the National Road Race in Park City, Utah, on July 17.

Burke qualified for the Nationals by winning the State Road Race at Branched Oak Lake.

At Nationals, Burke was eliminated in the first round when he finished 53rd in his heat.

"I was kind of nervous when I got there," he said. "I looked around and saw a lot of big-name riders and sponsored teams."

The course was a challenge for Burke because it was at a high altitude and contained a half-mile climb.

"It was a short course and we hit the hill a lot," he said. "The altitude made it hard to breathe because I wasn't used to it."

Burke said he had to pay his own expenses to go to the race because cycling does not receive a lot of sponsor attention in Lincoln.

"The percentage of high-caliber

riders in Lincoln is really high, but no one is interested in sponsoring a team."

Burke said that Cycle Works helps him and teammate Mark Anderson with equipment and clothes, but that travel expenses are their own responsibility.

Having a company sponsor a team would be a big advantage, according to Burke.

Burke said teammates can use blocking and sprinting strategies to help each other do better in races.

Burke said he plans to stay in cycling for a while because it is a good way to stay in shape. However, he does not plan to turn professional any time soon.

"I'd have to get a lot better to do that," he said. "It's a 24-hour job when you turn pro. They don't do anything else."

"I'm more of a part-time cyclist."

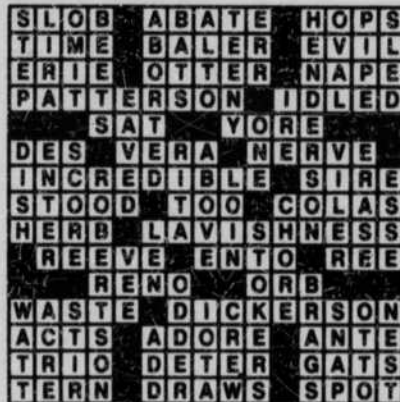
Burke goes to at least 50 bicycle races per year, starting in April and running through late October. He said that by the time the end of the season rolls around, he is "pretty burned out" on cycling.

"In the winter I lift weights, circuit train, and play raquetball to stay in shape," he said. "By the time the season is ready to start again, everybody gets pretty fired up about riding."

Horse racing, dog racing, lotteries -- they're all interesting, but are they really sports? A sport is defined as an athletic activity requiring skill or physical prowess.

Admittedly, being a horse jockey requires skill. However, watching Willie Shoemaker whip a horse sure doesn't seem very athletic compared to one of Michael Jordan's high-flying slam dunks or one of Bo Jackson's towering home runs. And watching an 80-year-old man scratch off a lottery ticket doesn't compare at all.

This trend of covering gambling as a sport even has crept into Sports Illustrated, the biggest sports magazine in the country. A recent cover story had a picture of a jockey



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