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Husker Bob stirs crowd at NU games

By Erik Unger
Staff Reporter

Take a die-hard sports fan, add a man who loves to dance and multiply by 14 years of dedicated service to the Nebraska Cornhuskers.

The result is "Husker Bob". Bob Rowe became Husker Bob in 1976 by accident.

While sitting in the south stadium bleachers, Rowe became upset with the passivity of the fans in the area and "felt like leading cheers," he said.

He jumped the fence and started walking through the east side of the stadium, trying to get the crowd

involved in cheers.

He's been a mainstay at Husker games ever since.

Memorial Stadium is not the only

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venue Husker Bob works. He attends all Husker sporting events and even excites the fans of the Kansas City Royals.

But the students are what Husker

Bob enjoys the most. It was the students, after all, who gave Rowe his nickname.

"I love the students," he said. "They have been great to me."

Rowe does have a life outside of Huskerland. The 70-year-old is the "mayor" of the Lincoln Trade Center, a group of 42 different offices just outside of Lincoln, where he works on the grounds.

Husker Bob — in perfect health following heart surgery in 1987 — said he can't wait for the Colorado game Nov. 3.

"I hope we have class when Colorado comes to town," he said. "After all, it is just a sport."

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"Husker Bob" shows off one of his spirit signs at a Husker game.

Big Red clothes vary by fan

By Julie Naughton
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If it's weird, polyester and red, you can bet that a Cornhusker fan will be wearing it.

Choices of clothing at Big Red games range from the nice, normal sweatshirt that you could pick up at the University Bookstore or the Nebraska Bookstore for about \$20 to \$40, to the super-high-quality red polyester shirt available at the Salvation Army or Junior League Thrift Shop for \$1.50.

Your choice.

Your choices probably will reach far beyond your budget. Big red wear is available at just about every store in town, but fan wear is as diverse as the fans who wear the clothing.

Most of the state has a real passion for football and feels the need to dress accordingly. But some fans are more rabid than others. There are Rabid Husker Fans, Husker-Fans-on-a-Budget, Unique Husker Fans, Greek Husker Fans and College Husker Fans, to name just a few.

The Nebraska Bookstore, 13th and Q streets, and the University Bookstore, in the East Campus Union and the basement of the Nebraska Union, are good places to visit if you're after the college or the rabid look.

Choices at Nebraska Bookstore range from an XXL gray Russell PRO cotton sweatshirt with a red Nebraska logo across the chest (\$42.95) to a Husker Blackshirts sweatshirt in ever-fashionable black (\$17.95). Those after the college look would add this top to a pair of

jeans and be off to the game.

The rabid fan could adorn this ensemble with a Husker-red visor and slap an "On the eighth day, God created the Huskers" bumper sticker (\$1.25) on his or her Husker-red car, and be off to the game in style.

If you're doing your shopping at the University Bookstore, you might choose a bright Husker-red sweatshirt with the University of Nebraska logo (\$24.95) or a brand-spanking-new white T-shirt that says "Nebraska" — complete with a picture of Herbie Husker (\$15.95).

Rabid fans, grab a white cotton afghan with Herbie Husker (\$29.95) to sit on, and add a red Nebraska cotton twill cap (\$9.95). If you're of the mood, add a pair of Herbie Husker earrings (\$4.95) or a Cornhusker pin (\$3.25), and you're off to the game.

For the Husker-Fan-on-a-Budget and the Unique Husker Fan, the Salvation Army, the Veterans Thrift Shop and the Junior League Thrift Shop offer one-of-a-kind choices.

Goodwill is sporting a Land's End red cotton dress, yours for only \$14.99. Or you could go for those red-and-white striped overalls — practically guaranteed to be the only ones at the game — available for just \$7.99. Top the whole ensemble off with a one-of-a-kind cotton bag from the Veterans' Thrift Store (49 cents) and you're ready for Husker greatness.

Of course, if you're not into this red-wearing mania, don't despair. You could always wear orange and black on Saturday (but don't be surprised if someone throws something at you.)