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behind Harrison's 9.80 and 9.75s by Richard Kieffer and Darling.

In addition, Nebraska scored a season-high team score of 47.875 on the pommel horse.

But things had not gone so well for the Huskers earlier in the competition. In the floor exercise — Nebraska's first rotation — the Huskers turned in a 47.475, which was their second-lowest score of the season.

Allen said he was pleased overall with the way the Huskers responded to the pressure.

"Our kids kept plugging away," he said. "They never gave up. That's the kind of character I like in a team. They scrapped all the way through."

Nebraska's Dennis Harrison finished sixth in the all-around standings with a score of 57.85 and, along

with teammate Sumner Darling (56.55), will compete in the all-around championships Saturday at 2 p.m.

Harrison said that being in fourth place with two events to go was an "eye-opener" for the Huskers.

"We got together, calmed down and we knew what we had to do," he said. "No one wanted to be watching the rest of the meet from the stands like we were last year."

Harrison said he hopes the momentum that shifted Nebraska's way late Thursday night will carry over to tonight.

"We have to do the job next time around," he said. "We can't fall behind like we did tonight and expect to catch up."

Allen agreed. "(Tonight) is a pressure event," he said. "It's sweet. It's going to be as good a college event as you'll ever see."

NU tennis faces Buffs a 3rd time

By Jeff Singer
Staff Reporter

The Nebraska men's tennis team is hoping the third time is the charm at this weekend's Big Eight Tennis Championships.

The fifth-seeded Cornhuskers will be battling No. 4 Colorado for the third time this season. The Buffaloes won both previous meetings.

The two teams square off in the three-day tourney at 9 a.m. today in Kansas City, Mo.

Colorado beat Nebraska 5-0 in March at the San Diego Team Tournament and followed that effort with a 7-2 win over the Huskers in Lincoln earlier this month.

Nebraska coach Kerry McDermott said he was anxious to get another shot at the Buffaloes.

"The guys really want to play Colorado and feel like they can pull the upset," McDermott said. "You have to go in with a realistic attitude, saying, 'Why can't we beat them a third time?'"

Nebraska No. 2 singles player Joseph Rahme said having met Colorado twice already would help Nebraska.

"We know how they (Colorado) play and that they're not much better than us," Rahme said. "It's going to come down to how much our guys want it."

Rahme will be playing at No. 2 singles for the first time this year, as he will switch places in the lineup with Karl Falkland at No. 1.

Falkland earned the No. 1 position after posting the best Big Eight mark on the team. The junior from Sweden

earned a second-place conference finish with a 4-2 record.

McDermott said a first-round victory would make Nebraska's 8-11 year a success.

"If we win in the first round, we'll have accomplished our goal of finishing among the top four teams in the Big Eight and will make for a successful season," McDermott said.

With a win over Colorado today, the Huskers will play regular-season champion Kansas Saturday in the semifinals, following last weekend's heated match during the Jayhawks' 6-3 win over Nebraska.

Rahme said getting another shot at playing the Jayhawks would be the highlight of the season.

"We want another chance to play Kansas," Rahme said. "If we get another shot at them, it's going to be war."

Huskers try to avenge early loss

By Jeff Singer
Staff Reporter

The Nebraska women's tennis team will try to avenge an early-season loss when it opens play in this weekend's Big Eight Tennis Championships.

The Cornhuskers will open as the No. 5 seed against fourth-seeded Colorado. The Buffaloes beat Nebraska 7-2 in the regular season.

The tournament begins today in Kansas City, Mo.

Nebraska coach Scott Jacobson said he wasn't surprised when learning Colorado would be the Huskers' first-round opponent.

"Before last weekend, it was my expectation to be playing Colorado," Jacobson said. "You don't get too

many second chances in life, but now we get the opportunity to show we can play with Colorado."

With a win over the Buffaloes, the women will have accomplished their team goal of finishing among the top four squads in the Big Eight.

Nebraska's No. 4 singles player and No. 1 doubles player Rachel Collins said the Huskers wouldn't be happy with fourth place.

"If we beat Colorado, the worst we could do is finish fourth," Collins said. "But we're not going to be satisfied with settling for anything less than we're capable of."

Tina Coutretsis, who plays at No. 6 singles and No. 3 doubles, agreed that the dual against the Buffaloes has great importance.

"We're looking forward to playing Colorado, because now we get another chance to beat them," Coutretsis said. "We didn't play up to our standards against them last time, but this time we should."

With a win over the Buffaloes, the Huskers will probably take on regular-season Big Eight champion Kansas. The Jayhawks play No. 8 seed Missouri today.

The Jayhawks blanked Nebraska 9-0 last weekend in Lawrence, Kan.

No matter what the results are this weekend, Jacobson said he already knows one outcome.

"Regardless of what happens, I know our girls will fight from the beginning of the match until the end of the match, guaranteed," he said.

Huskers sign Amos Gregory

From Staff Reports

Nebraska men's basketball coach Danny Nee announced Thursday the signing of junior college player Amos Gregory to a national letter of intent.

Gregory is a 6-foot-8, 270-pound center from Aquinas (Tenn.) Junior College.

This season, Gregory averaged 15.4 points a game and 14.2 rebounds and was named to the 1992 Basketball Weekly Junior College All-America team.

Nee said Gregory should be able to contribute next season.

"We are excited to sign a big man of Amos' caliber," Nee said. "I believe that we signed one of the best junior college big men in the country. He's a strong, aggressive box player. I'm counting on him to come in and help us at both ends of the floor next year."

Gregory picked Nebraska after considering Louisiana State and Memphis State.

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Jenkins has a cartilage tear in her left shoulder and is scheduled for surgery after nationals.

Jenkins said she had gotten used to performing with the injury and that it was not going to get any better.

Walton said the two had come a long way in being able to perform

under the worst possible scenarios.

"The Masters Classic (which was Feb. 16 in Lincoln) was the point when the girls realized what it takes to be competitive on the college level," Walton said.

Walton said he hoped Duval and Jenkins would represent Nebraska and the Big Eight well.

"I would like to see them go in and hit all of their routines, look as good as they possibly can and maybe impress a few folks," Walton said.

Drake

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Pepin said. "I hope that we don't have the 'snow dog relays' this weekend, because if we do, we'll be a little short on dogs and sleds."

During the meet, Pepin will be

inducted into the Drake Relays Hall of Fame. Pepin said it was a pleasant honor.

"I've heard I'm going to be honored," he said. "I guess it's nice, but I didn't win any titles or score any points, or win any watches or anything."

"I'm a lot more concerned with how the teams do out there."

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