

Revelle says Cornhuskers need hitting to tackle Tigers

By Tony West
Staff Reporter

After breaking a recent losing streak, the Nebraska softball team has reeled off four consecutive victories.

The Huskers have raised their overall record to 15-22 and their morale has been given a boost, according to Coach Rhonda Revelle.

"We have won a couple tough, close games," she said. "So, morale is high."

The team has been riding that morale for all its worth and playing better recently.

"We are executing," Revelle said. "We are also playing solid defense."

The defense has been recharged behind the pitching of Cody Dusenbury. She hurled 15 of 16 shut-out innings in Wednesday night's doubleheader sweep of Creighton.

"Cody is pitching well," Revelle said. "She is doing a good job keeping people off balance."

The Huskers will need the defense and offense to step up a notch if they hope to continue their winning streak this weekend.

Nebraska will host Missouri in doubleheaders on both Saturday and Sunday at the NU Softball Complex. Saturday's games are scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. and Sunday's games are scheduled for an 11 a.m. start.

The four games will close out the home Big Eight season for the Huskers. Nebraska is 2-10 in the confer-

ence and Missouri is 8-8.

Although the defense has been a key ingredient to recent victories, Revelle said her team might have to focus on offense if they hoped to win.

"Offense is the key," Revelle said. "It's going to be an offensive battle."

However, Revelle said Missouri was a team full of tricks.

"They might do something you wouldn't see from another team, like

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—Revelle
NU softball coach

a trick play," she said. "I am expecting the unexpected from them."

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Tennis season disappoints NU players

Senior says year bad from start

By Tim Pearson
Staff Reporter

With virtually the entire team back from last year's team, which finished fifth in the Big Eight, the Nebraska women's tennis team was hoping for a higher finish this year.

The Cornhuskers' hopes did not come true when they placed sixth at the Big Eight Championships last weekend.

Heidi Junius, one of four seniors on the squad, said the year was a disappointing one.

"We were basically the same team from last year, except for one player," Junius said. "We kind of felt like we were going to finish better than last year. A lot of us didn't think we'd

finish sixth.

"We were disappointed. Going into the tournament, we thought we could get fourth or fifth.

"We thought we were evenly matched with Kansas State and Colorado."

The Huskers finished 1-6 in the Big Eight. Last year Nebraska finished with a 3-4 record.

Junius said losing was disheartening for the Huskers.

The two one-point losses in the Big Eight were especially discouraging, she said. In back-to-back matches, the Huskers lost to Kansas State and Iowa State both by scores of 5-4.

"Honestly, I don't think there was a high point to the season," Junius said. "It was a decline from the start. If we would have won a couple of the close matches, it would have helped."

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One bright spot for the Huskers was senior Zarina Galvan, who was named to the All-Big Eight team. Galvan was Nebraska's No. 1 singles player, and she teamed with Junius in doubles competition.

Senior Ann Flannery was named to the Academic All-Big Eight team for the third year. Sophomore Frauke Hachtmann and Galvan were also named to the team.

Hachtmann and four others will

return next year.

Husker coach Scott Jacobson said he was hoping the loss of Junius, Galvan, Flannery and Tina Coutretsis wouldn't hurt the Huskers too much next season.

"We have four people coming in next season," he said. "On paper, we should have a very young team with the loss of four seniors. But you never know how well you're going to do until they get here."



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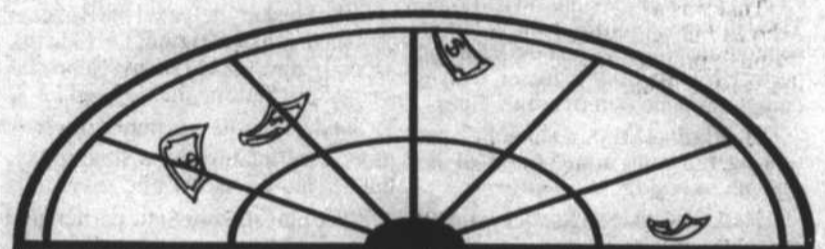
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