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Tough competition at nationals to give track talents tough run

By Tony West
Staff Reporter

Nebraska track and field coach Gary Pepin said he hoped both the men's and women's teams would place in the top 15 at the national meet in Indianapolis this weekend.

But the Husker men suffered a drawback when they found out that high jumper Sheldon Carpenter, a junior, would not be able to jump due to a knee injury.

Carpenter was tied for the second-highest jump in the nation this season at 7 feet, 4 1/2 inches. Nebraska's Petar Malesev, who is the favorite at nationals, recorded the highest jump in the nation at 7 feet, 5 3/4 inches.

"It's very disappointing," Carpenter said. "This is probably the most frustrating thing I've ever had to deal with in my life."

The Cornhusker men have nine athletes competing, while the women have seven.

And both teams, after winning the Big Eight title on Feb. 24-25 in Manhattan, Kan., are expected to place 12th at the meet, according to polls.

"The meet is very competitive," Pepin said. "But we think that both of these teams can finish in the top 15."

Other Husker men competing this weekend are Robert Thomas in the long jump; Riley Washington and Byron Topps in the 55-meter dash; Willie Hbler in the 55-meter hurdles; Balasz Tolgyesi in the mile; Marlon Jones in the 800-meter run; and distance medley relay team (Renier Henning, Jones, Chad Jansen, Tolgyesi).

Jansen said he felt the distance medley team had a good shot at being in the top five. The relay

team set an all-time Big Eight record last weekend in Ann Arbor, Mich., with its time of 9:39.

"I'm really excited," he said. "I think we have a good chance at being All-Americans."

On the women's side, two-time NCAA All-American Nicola Martial will attempt to become the Huskers' first two-time NCAA triple-jump champion.

Last season, Martial finished second in the indoor event with the second farthest jump in school history of 43 feet, 1 inch.

Other Husker women competing are Annette Hall in the 55-meter dash; Julie Mazzitelli in the 3,000-meter run; Angee Henry and Tashika Lewis in the long jump; and Paulette Mitchell and Tressa Thompson in the shot put.

Nebraska women's gymnastics coach emphasizes routines, not end results

By Trevor Parks
Staff Reporter

Nebraska women's gymnastics coach Dan Kendig said all he wanted was for his team to hit its routines.

And if that happens, he would be satisfied no matter what the result in a battle at No. 1 Georgia this weekend.

The 15th-ranked Cornhuskers compete in a six-team meet Sunday at 2 p.m. in Athens, Ga.

Participating in the Bulldog Invitational are the host Bulldogs, No. 9 Penn State, California, Massachusetts and No. 8 UCLA.

The Huskers defeated the Bruins earlier this year in Lincoln at the Masters Classic.

Kendig said his team should be fired up to hit its routines this weekend.

"If we went 24 for 24 on routines, I would be happy if we finished sixth," Kendig said. "We've made it a point to just hit our routines."

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experience to compete in front of a crowd of approximately 7,000.

"They are going to have a huge vocal home crowd," Kendig said. "It's going to be intimidating, but I hope they are a gymnastics-loving crowd and not a hostile one."

The biggest crowd Nebraska has performed in front of all year was 1,360 at Ohio State March 4.

The Huskers are coming off that meet flying high after scoring a season-high 192.325 at Ohio State.

In that meet, the Huskers set a school record in the vault with a 48.9.

One area new to the Huskers this weekend will be having a rest in between two rotations.

Kendig said he didn't know if his team would stay and watch other routines or leave the arena when it came time to sit out a rotation.

"It depends on how things are going," Kendig said.

"If we can't get excited, we're a dead squad," Kendig said. "It should be a great preview for the upcoming Big Eight and national championships."

Tennis coach hoping for get-well Drake victory

By Derek Samson
Senior Reporter

Nebraska men's tennis coach Kerry McDermott is hoping his team provides him with a get-well gift in the form of a victory over Drake Saturday in a 10 a.m. match at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

McDermott underwent surgery Monday for a hernia and did not return to his office until Thursday. He will be welcomed back Saturday by one of the top teams in the region.

"They're ranked fourth or fifth in the region and we're ninth, so it would be an upset if we would win," McDermott said. "They're pretty strong. They beat Colorado 4-3, and Colorado thumped us out in Las Vegas. Considering what they did to Colorado, it seems unrealistic to think we can win, but I really believe this is a winnable dual."

For Nebraska to pull off the upset, McDermott said his team must win the No. 1 and No. 2 singles.

Nebraska's Andy Davis and Fredrick Riesbeck will take on the Bulldogs' top two single players, brothers Robert and Rene Novotony.

"Robert Novotony is No. 1 in the region, and he's awful tough," McDermott said. "Rene plays just like his brother. But I think we can win those two spots. I really don't think if we don't win at one and two that we have a chance."

"But I feel pretty good about our lower spots. If we could get one and two, some of Drake's lower spots will see that, be somewhat intimidated and not play very well."

First-year assistant coach Dave Moyer took over this week while McDermott was gone.

"Dave told me the guys have been practicing real hard this week," McDermott said. "I'm glad that just because I haven't been around, they didn't slack off or anything. Dave did a good job getting them ready for Drake, and now we just have to go and hopefully play well."

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Husker center Mikki Moore away from Reeves, who has scored 44 points in two games against Nebraska this year. When Nebraska is playing man-to-man, Nee said, Moore will be defending a forward, and Melvin Brooks will challenge Reeves.

Nebraska's leading scorer, Jaron Boone, who was named second-team All-Big Eight earlier this week, said he was convinced the Huskers would

be prepared this time.

"The coaches came up with a great game plan," Boone said, "that I think can help contain their key players. We know that we can explode at any time."

In a do-or-die situation, such as a tournament, Nee said, he will look to his experienced players to carry the load. Don't be surprised, he said, if Boone and guard Erick Strickland play a full 40 minutes — or close to it — against the Cowboys.

Boone said he was ready to play as much as necessary.

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"We have joked that maybe we could bow out of the Big Eight tourney so we could be rested," he said. "Let's say we play three games in K.C., which I hope we do. We have to bus back to Stillwater and let's say we get an (NCAA) assignment to play on Thursday. We might have to leave on Tuesday. That is hard, plus you have the fact that you have just exhausted so much energy."

Roy Williams, the coach of 22-4 and No. 2 Kansas, said the Big Eight Tournament was an important part of the Jayhawks' season. With a good showing this weekend, he said, Kansas would likely put itself in a position to be the No. 1 seed in the Midwest Regional.

But Williams said he had always placed more stock in the regular season than in the Big Eight Tournament.

"The regular season is over two to three months and 14 games," he said. "It's a more valid test. And the winner of the regular-season title is the one who gets the trophy that says Big Eight champions."

For some teams, Sutton said, the Big Eight Tournament is beneficial. For instance, he said, if Nebraska hopes to make the NCAA Tournament, the Huskers probably have to win three games in Kansas City this weekend.

"The tournament is great for Nebraska," Sutton said. "It gives them an opportunity to win some more games that they need."