



Nebraska's Markus Bergerheim returns a shot against Drake's Marcos Vincente Saturday in the Huskers' 5-4 loss. Bergerheim won at No. 6 singles in three sets. Scott Bruhn/DN

## Huskers defeat Colonials by ending scoring drought

### From Staff Reports

The Nebraska baseball team ended its three-game losing streak with a 7-1 win over George Washington at the Collegiate Invitational Baseball Tournament in San Antonio Sunday.

The Cornhuskers, 5-5, scored a run in the sixth inning, three runs in seventh and three more in the eighth to break out of a hitting slump to improve to 1-1 in the tournament.

Nebraska had not scored in 15 innings and managed only eight hits until the sixth inning against George Washington.

Jed Dalton started the inning by reaching on an error and moved to third on Matt Meyer's double. After an intentional walk to Darin Erstad, Dalton scored on Mel Motley's double-play ground ball to tie the score 1-1.

Dalton hit a 2-run double in the seventh to give the Huskers a 3-1 lead. Two batters later, Darin Erstad ran his

hitting streak to 10 games with an RBI single to give the Huskers a 4-1 edge.

Pitchers Jonas Armenta and Alvie Shepherd took care of the rest by combining on 3 2/3 innings of perfect relief.

The Huskers opened the tournament with a 1-0 loss to Baylor Saturday.

The Huskers managed only four hits in 7 1/3 innings off Baylor starter Kris Lambert, 2-1, but rallied in the ninth against reliever Steve Waites.

But Meyer lined into a 4-6-3 double play with one out and men on first and second to end the game.

Craig Sanders, 1-1, took the loss for the Huskers but allowed only five hits in 5 1/3 strong innings.

Justin Gomes relieved Sanders and pitched 2 2/3 perfect innings to keep the Huskers close, but Nebraska's hitters could not capitalize.

The Huskers play Notre Dame tonight in a 7:00 game.

## Tennis team keeps spirits high after loss to Drake Saturday

By Vince D'Adamo  
Staff Reporter

The Nebraska men's tennis team was hoping to break its four-match losing streak on Saturday at the Bob Devaney Sports Center.

But the Drake Bulldogs had other plans as they edged the Huskers 4-3, dropping Nebraska's overall record to 1-5.

Husker coach Kerry McDermott said that the loss was bitter, but it showed that the team still had work to do.

"We've got to keep grinning and bearing it," McDermott said. "We know we're decent but not as good as we'd like to be."

The match started out well for the Huskers. In the doubles matches, two of their three combinations were victorious.

The tandem of senior Andy Davis and sophomore Adrian Maizey defeated Drake's combination of Rene Novotony and Alte Willems 8-4 at No. 1 doubles. Freshmen Jimmy Boller and Markus Bergerheim knocked off Drake's tandem of Paul Champlin and Marcos Vincente. This was Bergerheim's first match since suffering an injured foot in September.

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The Huskers did not fare well in the singles matches, though, losing four out of six. Davis, at No. 1 singles, lost both sets to Robert Novotony 6-1 and 6-3.

McDermott said it was one of those days for Davis.

"He ran into a serving machine," said McDermott. "Novotony is very good, and he basically took it right at Andy."

The two bright spots in the singles matches for Nebraska were Maizey and Bergerheim. Maizey won impressively over Champlin in two sets 6-1, 6-0.

Maizey said that a good week of practice paid dividends.

"I've been hitting the ball real well and aggressively," said Maizey. "It's really upped my game, and I'm play-

ing with more confidence."

McDermott was the first who took notice.

"When he (Maizey) believes in himself," McDermott said, "he can play with anyone."

Despite being out of action for six months, Bergerheim was close to top form against the Bulldogs' Marcos Vincente. Despite losing the first set 6-4, he rebounded nicely by winning the next two sets 6-0 and 6-3.

"He's still rusty," said McDermott. "He won the match because he hit some big serves when he needed them. He is very confident, and losing the first set didn't bother him."

The Huskers will continue to seek their second victory of the season on Sunday at Arlington, Texas against Texas.

## Husker diver earns NCAA meet spot

### From Staff Reports

Nebraska diver Jennifer Harnly qualified for the NCAA meet Saturday after finishing sixth at the NCAA Zone-D diving qualifying meet.

Harnly was one of four Cornhuskers who qualified for the zone meet in Austin, Texas. The top nine women's and six men's scores compiled ad-

vanced to the NCAA meet.

Seniors Julie Grimmer and Jeff Bro and sophomore Kevin Gregory qualified for the zone meet.

But Harnly was the only one to qualify for the NCAA meet March 17-19.

The senior from Texas took third place in the 1-meter competition on Saturday. Paired with her

fifth-place finish Friday, Harnly finished sixth.

Grimmer finished 16th overall, seven spots away from qualifying.

Bro and Gregory also failed to make the national meet. Bro, a senior from Lincoln Southeast, finished 13th to put him out of contention. Gregory ended up in 16th after the two-day meet.

As if the 22-0 run wasn't enough, disaster really struck in the second half.

The Huskers, who shot 36 percent in the first half, shot only 16 percent from the field in the second half and finished the game at 27 percent — on a 15-of-54 shooting performance.

Badgett's basket with 10:36 left cut Oklahoma State's lead to 53-40, but it was Nebraska's last field goal of the game.

Defensively, Nebraska gave up only 27 points in the second half and held Bryant Reeves to 13 points.

Rutherford led all scorers with 20. "Our basic strategy was that we were going to try to take one of their top scorers out of the game," Nee said.

"We opened up with a simple box-and-one on Big Country (Reeves). I felt it worked part of the time. When Oklahoma State finally adjusted, Rutherford started hitting his shots. We felt we'd give them up."

"The best team won," Nee said. "I just feel like they have a good balance of inside and outside. They're very effective with the way they play defense. The key to the game was Oklahoma State's defense. They're just a good basketball team."

## Malesev wins in high jump

### From Staff Reports

Nebraska's Petar Malesev soared 7 feet, 4 1/4 inches to win the high jump at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships this weekend.

Malesev, a four-time All-American, became the first Husker to win the event.

But the Husker men finished 11th, while the women finished tied for ninth with North Carolina.

Nebraska's Paulette Mitchell finished second in the shot put with a school-, Big Eight- and personal-best toss of 55 feet, 5 inches.

It wasn't enough, though, to overtake UCLA's Dawn Dumble, who won the event with a throw of 57-8 1/2.

## Big Eight

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Randy Rutherford scored 10 points during the run, which featured three straight lay-ups by the Cowboys.

"It killed us," Husker forward Terrance Badgett said. "Even if the run would have been six or eight points, we'd still be right in it. With the way we started off the game — at that high of a level — and then for them to make that kind of run just killed us."

Oklahoma State finished the half with a 24-3 run and led 41-27 at intermission.

Oklahoma State coach Eddie Sutton said Nee tried to stop the Cowboys' big run late in the first half.

"All the sudden that adrenaline gets flowing and you think 'Hey, we have these guys on the ropes,'" Sutton said. "Basketball is a game of streaks. When you have momentum, you want to extend that as long as you can. When it's going against you, you want to curtail it as quickly as you can."

"When it's going against you, you can call timeouts, you can change the offense or defense. I think Danny tried to do that, but they just missed some shots that they can normally hit."

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