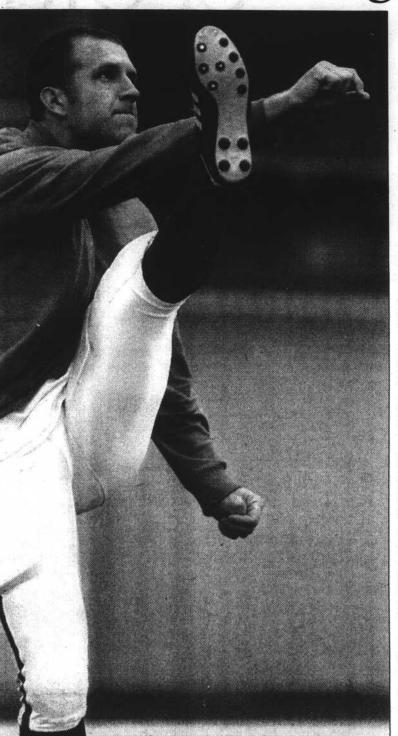


Few punts don't bother Kosch on road to reaching dad's feat



Nebraska punter Jesse Kosch does most of his punting

every day during practice. Kosch has punted only 27 times

By Andrew Strnad Staff Reporter

Punter may not be the most glamorous position at Nebraska, but it certainly hasn't gone unnoticed this

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season. Seeing the top-ranked Cornhuskers' punter on the field has become a rarity for the sellout crowds at Memorial Stadium this season.

In fact, starting punter Jesse Kosch has punted the ball only 27 times in the Huskers' 11 games. But he has averaged 39.7 yards a punt, with a long punt of 74 yards against Arizona State.

Unlike a running back who would like to get the ball many times, Kosch could care less if he didn't punt at all during the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 2.

"If I don't punt, then that means we are moving the ball, and that way I don't get tired," Kosch said jok-

ingly. Kosch earned the starting job just before the season started, and he said a strong summer workout helped him "I knew if I came in this fall and

kicked like I did earlier this summer," he said, "then I would win the starting job." Kosch, a sophomore from Colum-

bus, replaced two-sport star Darin Erstad, who left Nebraska after being the No. 1 pick in the Major League Baseball draft by the California Angels.

Kosch and his father are one of two father-son combinations to win national titles for the Huskers. His father Bill played defensive back for the Huskers on the 1970 and 1971 national champion teams, and Kosch would like nothing more than to equal his father and win a second title.

That would be nice to win another title," Kosch said. "Since my dad has two, I guess I ought to try for another."

Kosch, a meteorology major, follows the stereotypical theme for kickers. He's concerned with the weather -- more than most people, though. Kosch loves to follow severe weather in his car, and he enjoys driving across Nebraska chasing after tornadoes.

"I'm always looking at the flags on top of the stadium," Kosch said.

Bergman

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Continued from Page 9 events so much that he duplicated the feat the following day, against then-No. 2 Stanford. He scored an NCAA Zone qualifying 332.63 points in the three-meter and reg-istered a 292.50 to win the onemeter event.

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"I always knew there was something special about Dan," Hocking said. "I was really happy he chose to come here."

Bergman ho for a strong finish when the Huskers close their fall schedule Dec. 8-9 at the North Dakota Invitational. Hocking said Bergman's work ethic took a back seat to nobody. "He's a very intense personality," Hocking said. "I can't complain. He's worked really hard in the weight room. I've been real pleased.'

Big 12 commissioner looks for new office

Jay Calderon/DN

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. league will combine the Big Eight Hatchell stopped in Omaha and Oklahoma City along with conference officials to tour possible sites for the new league's headquarters.

Hatchell visited the two cities on Tuesday. On Monday, he toured sites in Lubbock, Texas, and Colo-

(AP)-Big12 commissioner Steve with Texas, Texas A&M, Baylor and Texas Tech.

> Dallas and Kansas City are considered the front-runners for the league office. Kansas City has been the headquarters of the Big Eight since 1947, while Dallas has been the longtime home to the South





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He was scheduled to make stops in Kansas City, Mo., and Dallas on Wednesday, The Daily Oklahoman reported.

Oklahoma City and Omaha are among six cities still being considered as headquarters for the Big 12, which begins play in 1996. The meetings end.

west Conference offices.

Finalists will be invited Friday to Kansas City to make presentations when the Big 12 chief executive officers gather for meetings. The CEOs are expected to reach a decision on a site before Friday's



