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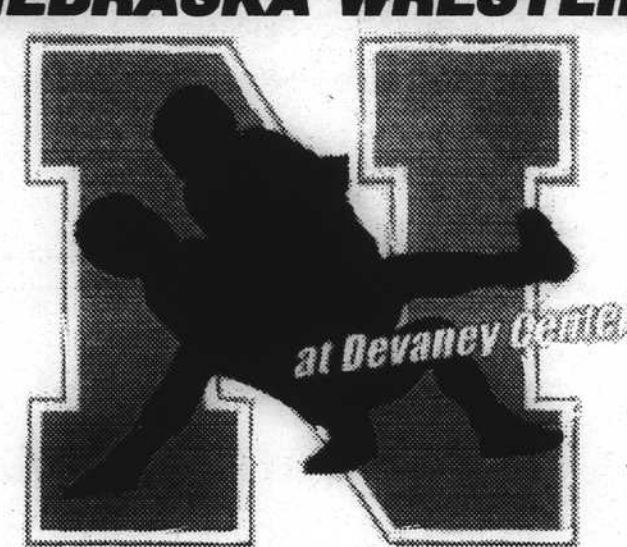
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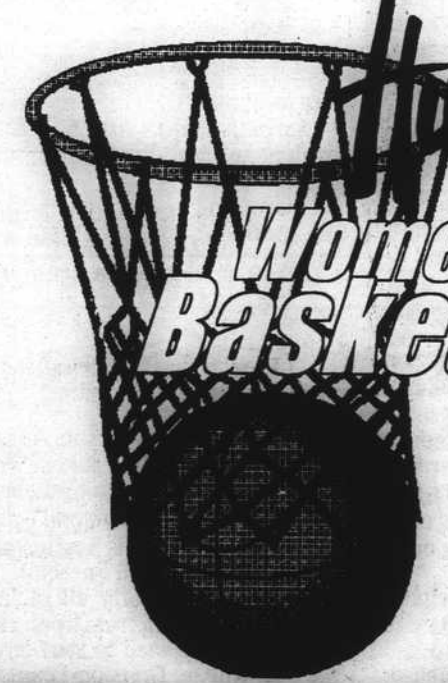


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Huskies need defense, intensity to win games

By Jason Brunz
Staff Reporter

The Nebraska women's basketball team will start the second half of its Big Eight season this weekend, playing host to a pair of games at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. The Cornhuskers, 13-6 overall and 3-4 in Big Eight games, will face Oklahoma State Friday at 7 p.m. and Oklahoma on Sunday at 2 p.m.

The Cowgirls, 15-3 overall and 5-2 in the conference, will be looking for their second straight win over the Huskers. Leading Oklahoma State will be forward Renee Roberts, who is averaging 13.4 points and 4.6 rebounds per game this season.

The Sooners, 11-8 and 3-4, will come to Lincoln looking for redemption after losing 79-58 to the Huskers in Norman, Okla., earlier this season.

Nebraska junior forward Tina McClain said defense would be the key factor in both games. "Our defensive efforts against OSU earlier in the season were virtually nonexistent," McClain said. "We have to come out with a lot more intensity."

McClain has emerged as the Huskers' leader with her recent

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TINA MCCLAIN
Nebraska forward

explosion on both sides of the ball. The 5-foot-10 forward ranks third on the team in scoring with 13.6 points per game and leads Nebraska with 6.5 rebounds per game.

McClain scored a career-high 25 points in the Huskers' loss to Iowa State last Sunday in Ames, Iowa. McClain is playing like Nebraska's best all-around player right now, Husker coach Angela Beck said.

"She's my best defensive player," Beck said. "She can take any kid on the floor, inside or out."

Beck said Nebraska needed to have a successful weekend if it wanted to achieve its goal of finishing third or fourth in the Big Eight. Defense, McClain said, should pull the Huskers through.

"My main goal is to stay consistent," McClain said. "We just have to hope for the best."

Meets present early tests for gymnasts

By Gregg Madsen
Staff Reporter

The Nebraska women's gymnastics team and part of the men's team will hit the road this weekend.

The women's team travels to Oklahoma for a quad meet Sunday at 2 p.m., and two members of the men's team will compete in the U.S. Winter Cup in Colorado Springs, Colo.

The women's team will face Oklahoma, Texas Women's University and Denver University, all three of which will compete in the NCAA Midwest Regional with Nebraska on April 13 in Salt Lake City.

Cornhusker women's coach Dan Kendig said the excitement over the Huskers' 193.425 performance against Missouri last weekend at the Bob Devaney Sports Center had improved the team's confidence in practice this week.

"Success breeds that kind of thing," Kendig said. "They feel like they can walk into any gym and do that."

Even though the Huskers' score last week was the seventh-highest in Nebraska history, Kendig said his team still had room for improvement.

"If everyone takes it upon themselves to get a little better each week," he said, "then we'll keep enjoying success."

Senior all-arounder Joy Taylor is questionable for the meet because of a sore quadricep, Kendig said.

On the men's side, senior Jason Christie and sophomore Jim Koziol, along with 1995 Husker graduate Richard Grace, will be in action.

They will face members of the U.S. senior and junior national teams and other provisional Olympic qualifiers.

Christie and Grace will compete in the Team 1996 division, where the top 14 all-around gymnasts earn spots on the 1996 Senior National Team.

Koziol will be in the Team 2000 over-19 division, and could earn a spot on the 2000 U.S. Olympic squad with a finish in the top 14.

NU makes changes for duals

By Antone Oseka
Staff Reporter

As the Nebraska wrestling team gets ready to face a weekend of Big Eight challengers, the Cornhusker lineup isn't as solid as Coach Tim Neumann wants it to be.

Oklahoma and Oklahoma State travel to the Bob Devaney Sports Center to try to defeat a No. 2-rated Nebraska team that has only lost to top-ranked Iowa this season.

Nebraska first will face Oklahoma at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, and less than 24 hours later, the Huskers will battle against third-ranked Oklahoma State at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Neumann said Nebraska would bring a slightly different lineup into the weekend. Seventh-ranked Brad Canoyer will start things off both days for Nebraska at 118 pounds. At 126 pounds, freshman Jose DeAnda could take the mat for Nebraska, depending on the status of starter Jeramie Welder. Neumann said he would decide the starter minutes before the dual.

Senior Tony DeAnda returns to 134 pounds for Nebraska after a week of wrestling at 142, where Dusty Morris will take over again. Seventh-ranked Jason Kraft will

take a few weeks off to train while senior Mike Eierman will see his first action this year for Nebraska. Eierman, an All-American in 1993, was recently reinstated to the team after being suspended for much of the season.

Neumann said Eierman had been improving in practice.

"I haven't let Mike wrestle until he's ready to wrestle," Neumann said. "He's training like a leader."

At 167 pounds, both Chad Nelson and Mike Roller will see time this weekend. Nelson will wrestle against the Sooners, and Roller will go against Oklahoma State.

Neumann said Canoyer would need a win over Oklahoma State's Teague Moore to get Nebraska off on the right foot if the Huskers were to beat the Cowboys.

"I'm sure we're going to go into 177 (weight class) needing to win the last three to win the dual."

But the Huskers feel good about those three weight classes. Last week at Iowa State, the Huskers needed to win the last three to win the dual. Erik Josephson, Ryan Tobin and Tolly Thompson each won, clinching the victory.

Martial

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Olympics this summer in Atlanta, said she needed to stay healthy in her final season at Nebraska.

"You have to be confident," said the senior from Las Vegas. "When you're hurt, you cannot let that destroy you."

Husker coach Gary Pepin said he admired Martial as a person and an athlete.

"She's got a lot of natural ability,"

he said. "The higher level of competition, the better she performs."

Pepin has seen Martial's development on a first-hand basis as her position coach. Martial and Pepin agree that having the same coach breeds continuity.

Martial has been the Big Eight indoor and outdoor triple-jump champion for three consecutive years. She is the all-time Big Eight record holder in the outdoor event.

Pepin said the coaching staff recruited Martial intensely. She said she chose Nebraska because of the bal-

ance of academics and athletics.

"It combines both very well. There's a real good support staff," Martial said. "The coaches are there to respond. Many schools don't have that."

Martial's attitude is ideal when helping younger athletes reach their potential, Pepin said.

"She's a very fine person. She has high morals, a strong work ethic and she's interested in people," Pepin said. "If a young person needs someone to talk to, she's usually the first one there."

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return to Lincoln with the rest of the Huskers. He left Bramlage Coliseum with three friends through an upper exit while the rest of the team exited the arena from a ramp on the west side of the building.

Despite what was happening off the court, Nebraska guard Erick Strickland said it was time to turn

things around. If the Huskers lose Saturday, they will finish the first half of the Big Eight season 3-4 after a 3-1 start.

"We've got to regroup now and get ready for Iowa State," Strickland said. "That's the next step for us."

That may be a difficult step.

Iowa State is second in the league behind third-ranked Kansas and hasn't lost since Jan. 10. On the road, however, the Cyclones have struggled.

In Iowa State's five road games, the Cyclones are 3-2. The two losses were at Marquette and Kansas State. Away from the Hilton Coliseum, Iowa State has beaten Drake, Wyoming and Colorado.

But the Cyclones will have an advantage in one area — preparation.

Because of an NCAA rule that requires basketball teams to take one day off a week, Nebraska did not practice Thursday, leaving the Huskers with only one day of preparation for Iowa State.