

KU attacks errors

By **ANTONE OSEKA**
Senior Reporter

So far this season, the Kansas offense has struggled.

Although the Jayhawks are 4-3 overall and 2-2 in the Big 12 Conference, starting center Chris Enneking said they haven't played up to their potential all season.

"We're trying to cut out the mistakes we make," the 6-foot-3, 260-pound sophomore from Lawrence, Kan., said. "If I cut out the mistakes I make, I give my skill-position players a chance to perform."

The Jayhawks' running game features Eric Vann, a senior averaging 71 yards per game.

However, Enneking said that if the offensive line can open the holes, Vann can get the job done rushing the ball.

"Eric's very obviously the guy who can do it," Enneking said, calling Vann the key to the Jayhawks' offense. "So we know we need to get our jobs done. That gives him a chance to do more things with the football."

The Kansas offense ranks 11th

in the Big 12 in both rushing and passing offense. However, they rank last in total offense.

Ironically, Nebraska leads the conference - not to mention the nation - in rushing, but is last in the conference in passing the ball. Nebraska leads the conference, and the nation, in total offense.

"You always feel like if you execute well, you have a chance," he said. "We'll try to control the ball and keep from turning the ball over."

"We always have the same type of goals - rush for 150 yards and pass for 225. We want to move the ball and score in the red zone."

Rushing the ball could be the key again Saturday, as the forecast is for rainy and cold weather for the 6:07 p.m. kickoff at Memorial Stadium in Lawrence, Kan.

Enneking said the weather conditions wouldn't bother him.

"My high school coach used to tell us 'Champions don't slip,'" he said. "Guys for championship seasons never come back saying, 'I slipped.'"

NU begins first meet

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Josh Mathais in the freestyle events, and David Foster in the backstroke.

The women's team also returns some promising athletes, including 27 letter winners and 12 All-Americans, seven of whom were freshmen on last year's national team. The team returns only four seniors and six juniors.

Although the team was young last year, they still managed to come home with the first-ever Big 12 championship trophy and an eighth-place finish at the NCAA championship, the highest finish for any Husker swimming and diving team.

This year's leading returnees for the women's team include freestyle swimmers Helene Muller and Anna Windsor. Muller won a team-leading six conference gold medals in 1997 and Windsor is a conference champion in the 200-yard freestyle.

"They're both here their second year, but it's also only their second

semesters," Bentz said. "Obviously they had great starts to their careers."

"Windsor and Pine both made the Australian national teams, so they also will be competing at the international level this season," Bentz said.

Other first-team All-America returnees include Beth Karaica, a relay swimmer, Lenka Manhalova in the 200-yard breaststroke, Terrie Miller in the 100-yard breaststroke and Stacey Sedlacek, a relay swimmer.

With all this experience returning on both teams, there should be no problem accomplishing the goals the team has set.

"We're going to make every effort to win the Big 12 championships - both the men and women," Bentz said. "But the University of Texas men had a strong team last year and Texas Tech will be good again in the women's. We also want to get as many points as we can in the NCAA tournament, but we have to take the season one step at a time."

Football Starters

Nebraska Starters

Offense

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
SE	89	Jeff Lake	6-4	210	Sr.
LT	73	Fred Pollack	6-4	305	Sr.
LG	87	Aaron Taylor	6-1	305	Sr.
C	59	Josh Heskow	6-3	280	Jr.
RG	84	Jon Zaleshka	6-2	290	Sr.
RT	70	Eric Anderson	6-4	305	Sr.
TE	90	Tim Carpenter	6-3	250	Sr.
QB	7	Scott Frost	6-3	220	Sr.
FB	45	Joel Makovicka	5-11	235	Jr.
IB	30	Ahman Green	6-0	215	Jr.
WB	14	Lance Brown	5-11	180	So.
PK	35	Kris Brown	5-10	205	Jr.

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Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
SE	12	Eric Patterson	6-1	260	Fr.
LT	79	Dan Deroyer	6-6	275	Jr.
LG	73	Dameon Hunt	6-2	280	So.
C	68	Chris Enneking	6-3	278	So.
RG	76	Justin Glasgow	6-6	315	Jr.
RT	50	Michael Lies	6-2	285	Jr.
TE	84	Brian Gray	6-3	235	Jr.
FLK	43	Tanner Hancock	5-10	160	Fr.
QB	14	Zac Wagner	6-2	230	So.
RB	25	Eric Vann	5-9	205	Sr.
FB	32	Greg Davis	5-11	230	Fr.
PK	30	Joe Garcia	6-10	170	Fr.

Defense

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
LR	57	Chad Kelsey	6-3	250	Jr.
DT	99	Jason Wiltz	6-3	310	Jr.
DT	55	Jason Pater	6-5	285	Sr.
RR	98	Grant Wistrom	6-5	225	Sr.
SLB	45	Brian Shaw	6-1	215	So.
MLB	44	Jay Foreman	6-1	235	Jr.
WLB	4	Octavius McFarlin	5-11	200	Sr.
LCB	16	Erwin Swiney	6-1	180	Fr.
FS	3	Eric Werfield	6-0	195	Sr.
ROV	21	Mike Brown	5-11	205	So.
RCB	22	Ralph Brown	5-10	180	So.
P	19	Jesse Kosch	6-0	190	Sr.

Defense

Pos.	No.	Name	Ht.	Wt.	Yr.
LE	63	Dion Johnson	6-4	290	So.
NT	70	Brett McGraw	6-1	285	Sr.
RE	83	Dewey Houston III	6-4	290	Sr.
OLB	47	Patrick Brown	5-11	210	Jr.
ILB	54	Steve Bratten	6-1	235	Jr.
ILB	38	Jason Thoren	6-2	230	Fr.
OLB	97	Victor Bullock	6-2	225	Fr.
LCB	23	Jason Harris	5-10	170	Sr.
FS	28	Tony Blavins	6-0	180	Sr.
SS	24	Maurice Gaddle	5-9	195	Sr.
RCB	37	Jamie Harris	6-10	185	Jr.
P	41	Dean Royal	6-2	180	Sr.

Saturday 6:07 p.m.
Memorial Stadium
Lawrence, Kan.

Huskers want more shutouts

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nation against the pass.

"We're playing pretty darn good football right now," Wistrom said.

The Kansas offense, on the other hand, has been sputtering all season. The Jayhawks racked up a season-high 337 yards against Alabama-Birmingham in their season opener at home. Nebraska Coach Tom Osborne said he doesn't know which team will show up Saturday in Lawrence, Kan.

"Offensively, at times, they have moved the ball and other times they haven't," Osborne said.

KU's offensive problems have pri-

marily come on the road. In its first road game at Cincinnati, KU recorded a season-low 53 yards of total offense. At home this season, though, the Jayhawks are 4-0. Their success may be a direct result of first-year Head Coach Terry Allen.

"I think Terry Allen has done a good job of motivating them," Osborne said.

In the season opener, Allen started a new Jayhawk tradition having his team arrive at Memorial Stadium via a sidewalk that runs down "Campanile Hill" to the southern, open end of the stadium.

Defensively, Kansas is the top

team in the conference against the pass, but the Jayhawks rank ninth in rushing defense.

Unfortunately for KU, Nebraska probably won't be relying on its passing game Saturday. The Husker offense ranks last in the conference in passing and currently leads the nation in rushing.

Nebraska fell from 102nd nationally to 106th in passing offense last week, but that doesn't concern NU senior quarterback Scott Frost.

"That's not a bother," Frost said. "It's like going to the prom with the second ugliest girl in the school."

Huskers must keep crushing opponents

By **JAY SAUNDERS**
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With a win over No. 4 Duke under their belts, the Nebraska soccer team players are riding high into the stretch run of the season.

Even though the Cornhuskers' (13-2 overall and 6-2 in the Big 12 Conference) win over Duke was a big one, NU has to get back into the conference season with road games this weekend against Oklahoma and Oklahoma State.

With a possible two wins this weekend, the Huskers could clinch second place in the conference and have a bye in the first round of the Big 12 Tournament. With two possible losses, Nebraska could fall to as low as sixth in the conference.

Nebraska Coach John Walker compared Nebraska's situation to something most Husker fans can relate to: college football. Two weekends ago, LSU knocked off No. 1 Florida and lost at home the next weekend to Mississippi. Walker said, however, he doesn't think NU will have a letdown after the big win over the Blue Devils.

"It can go both ways," Walker said. "Some teams follow up a good win and come out flat. I'm pretty certain that won't happen with us."

Friday, the Huskers travel to Stillwater, Okla., for a 4 p.m. game against the Cowgirls. NU then goes to Norman, Okla., Sunday for a 1 p.m. face off against the Sooners. Oklahoma State (6-8-1 overall, 2-5 conference) still has a shot to make the conference tournament.

OSU must win all of its remaining conference games to play in San Antonio, Texas, for the Big 12 Conference Tournament. Oklahoma (2-11 overall, 1-6 conference) is in a different situation. The Sooners have no shot

Soccer
NU vs. Oklahoma St. Today
4 p.m. in Stillwater, Okla.
NU vs. Oklahoma Sunday
1 p.m. in Norman, Okla.

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OSU coach

at making the conference tournament.

"If we are able to pull off what would be called an upset, we would have a great chance at making the (Big 12) tournament," OSU Coach Karen Hancock said. "They are on a roll. Just looking at scores, they have been steamrolling people."

She said in order to avoid the Nebraska steamroller, OSU will have to slow down the potent Husker attack. In the last nine games, NU has scored 45 goals while shutting out every opponent.

"We will try to slow them down," Hancock said. "We need to try and keep them out of the back of our net for a while and see what happens from there."

Both the Cowgirls and the Sooners are hoping to spoil Nebraska's nine-game winning streak. Junior midfielder/striker Kim Engesser, who leads the Big 12 in goals scored, said NU will use this weekend to prepare for both the Big 12 and NCAA Tournaments.

"We know we can't let (a letdown) happen," Engesser said. "With the Big 12 and NCAA Tournaments coming up, we want to keep our level up so when we get there we'll be ready."

Road victory puts Huskers in high hopes

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to the team that I knew the feeling they had going into the match, and I wished I could give them a pill and tell them to play confidently or aggressively.

"But ultimately, coaching is guiding people to make decisions, and confidence is very fragile, you have to choose to have it."

Nebraska right-side hitter Nancy Meendering said the Huskers are on their way to recovery.

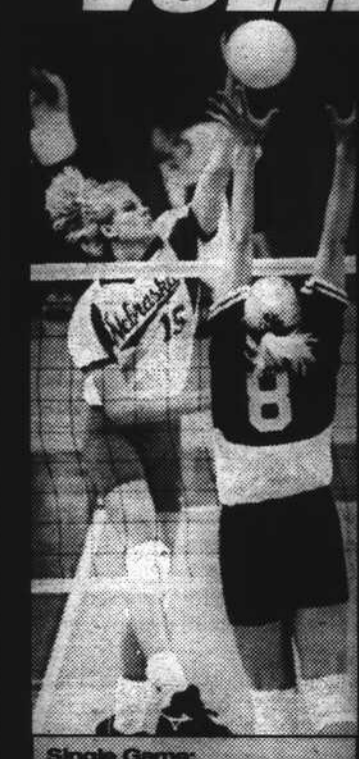
"It's hard to lose three in a row," she said. "There really wasn't a whole lot of excitement on the team, but it's exciting to see that it's coming around again. It's like we were on a downward slope, but now we're definitely heading back up it."

Picks from the Hicks

The Daily Nebraskan sports staff members pick the winners (in bold) of 10 college football games this weekend. For the season, the staff is 51 and 18.

Michigan	at	Michigan St.
Florida	at	Georgia
San Diego St.	at	Hawaii
USC	at	Oregon
Oklahoma St.	at	Missouri
Colorado	at	Texas
Texas A&M	at	Texas Tech
Virginia Tech	at	West Virginia
Ola Miss	at	Alabama
Nebraska 48	at	Kansas 17

NEBRASKA VOLLEYBALL



Friday, October 24
@ 7:30 pm

Nebraska vs.
Baylor

Saturday, October 25
@ 4 pm

Nebraska vs.
Texas Tech

at NU Coliseum

Single Game:
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High School Students - \$2
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