

'Smart golf' helps Hornecker's game

By Darren Ivy Assignment Reporter

Working in a German bank the rest of her life was not Nebraska golfer Shirin Hornecker's idea of a good pro-

So she cashed in on her golfing ability and moved to the United States five

Germany, native awhile to find her pot of gold.

"I was close to going home my first year," Hornecker said. "I didn't know anyone. I didn't have a car, and it took me eight hours to do homework because I had to look up every word."

But Hornecker stuck it out.

Her perseverance resulted in a golf Beaumont, Texas, but that didn't work out, so she transferred to NU and now is

one of the Cornhusker's best golfers. And NU Coach Robin Krapfl is glad Hornecker transferred.

Since coming to NU, Hornecker has been one of the top four golfers. Krapfl said the senior is a good player because she is a smart golfer.

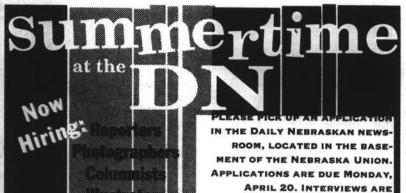
"She doesn't make a lot of mental mistakes," Krapfl said. "She hits the ball" solid and keeps it in play."

This spring, Hornecker, like many However, it took the Munich, ofher teammates, has struggled to get in a rhythm because of the weather. Her best round has been a 76.

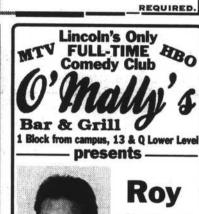
"I putted bad at the first meet and lost my confidence," Hornecker said. "I'm looking forward to turning my game around."

Hornecker said she doesn't miss the private golf courses in Germany

"Golf is still a prestige thing in scholarship to Lamar University in Germany," Hornecker said. "I like golf better in the United States because everyone can play."







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NU bowlers lead tourney

Jennifer Daugherty averaged 222.50 leading the defending champion Nebraska bowling team to a first-day lead at the Brunswick Intercollegiate Bowling Championships in Madison, Wis., Thursday.

The Cornhuskers rolled a 6,069 total. West Texas A&M finished the first day in second place with 5,821.

The field will be cut to the top five teams tonight for Saturday's championships.

Brink ties for 9th at NCAAs

Nebraska sophomore Heather Brink finished tied for ninth in Thursday afternoon's first session of the NCAA Championships in Los Angeles, Calif. The competition will continue today.

Three qualify for finals

NU's Derek Leiter earned All-American honors finishing fifth in the all-around at the NCAA Championships Thursday.

Three Cornhuskers qualified for four events in Saturday's final. Marshall Nelson in the parallel bars and pomel horse; Jim Koziol in the still rings; and Bill MUlholland in the vault.

Running backs cope with change

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Huskers list little experience on their roster at running back. Sophomore Dan Alexander and freshman Dahrran Diedrick - who joined the Huskers in January - will vie for time.

Both Evans and Buckhalter said the group has adjusted well to a new position coach and has begun to work better with the new offensive

And Gillespie, who said he has been equally impressed with the running backs, doesn't think NU will have a problem collectively making up for the loss of Green.

Which leaves the Huskers with only one question: Which I-back will earn the starting spot for next

Gillespie isn't saying, but barring injury, he said he is confident with either Evans or Buckhalter.

Evans said it would "be very gratifying" to get the nod.

"I've been through a lot physically and psychologically," Evans said. "Earning the starting job would be rewarding after this."



