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February 10, 1996

MEN'S GOLF CALLED DUE TO DARKNESS

The University of Minnesota Men's golf team had their match with Oral Roberts University called after nine holes due to darkness on Saturday in Tulsa, Oklahoma at the White Hawk Golf Course.

The Gophers will be back in action Friday February 16-18 at the NCAA Challenge in Rio Mar, Puerto Rico.

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HOCKEY TEAM TO HONOR SENIORS FRIDAY NIGHT

The University of Minnesota will honor 10 Golden Gopher hockey seniors who will be playing in their final regular season home game on Friday night prior to the beginning of the game against St. Cloud State University. Pre-game ceremonies are scheduled to begin at 6:50 p.m., with faceoff slated for 7:05 p.m.

Seniors Jesse Bertogliat, Brian Bonin, Andy Brink, Bobby Dustin, Dave Larson, Jeff Moen, Jay Moser, Dan Trebil, Charlie Wasley, and Greg Zwakman will all be recognized before the start of the game with the Huskies. The seniors have combined to play in 1,097 games entering this weekend, scoring 205 career goals and 349 career assists. The group has also combined to be honored 15 times as U of M Scholar-Athletes and been named to the WCHA All-Academic Team a total of nine times.

Following Friday's regular season home finale, the Golden Gophers will travel to St. Cloud State for a rematch Saturday evening at 7:05 p.m., then travel to Wisconsin to wrap up the regular season schedule next weekend. Minnesota will host a first-round WCHA playoff series from Mar. 1-3.

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SKATE WITH THE GOPHERS SLATED FOR SUNDAY

The University of Minnesota hockey team will hold its annual "Skate with the Gophers" event on Sunday, Feb. 18 from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. at Mariucci Arena. Activities scheduled include autographs from and an opportunity to skate with Golden Gopher players, shootout games, Golden Gopher face tatoos, photos wearing an authentic Golden Gopher hockey jersey, an opportunity to help create a good luck banner for the Golden Gopher hockey team and a baby photo contest.

Admission for the family event is one dollar, and attendees should enter Mariucci Arena through the east lobby.

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GOPHERS ONLINE

The University of Minnesota Men's Athletic Department is now on the Internet. The World Wide Web site contains press releases, statistics, rosters, schedules and much more information. The Web pages can be accessed at:

<http://www.umn.edu/mica/>

Information on every Big Ten school and the conference is also available via computer internet. The Big Ten's home page on ESPNET SportsZone will be available at the following address:

<http://espnet.sportszone.com>.

MEDIA ALERT:

The Golden Gopher hotline has been temporarily discontinued until further notice due to mechanical difficulties. The problem is being worked on and the media will be advised as soon as the hotline is operational again.



THIS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Basketball
Ohio State
Williams Arena
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Baseball
at Arizona
Frank Sencet Field (6,700)
Tucson, Ariz.
3:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf
at South Florida
USF Course, 6,750 yards
Tampa, Fla., All Day

Hockey
at Wisconsin
Dane County Coliseum (8,500)
Madison, Wis.
7 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Baseball
at Arizona
2 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Basketball
at Michigan
Crisler Arena (13,562)
Ann Arbor, Mich.
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

Golf
at South Florida, All Day

Gymnastics
vs. Illinois-Chicago
Sports Pavilion, 1 p.m.

Hockey
at Wisconsin
7 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Track & Field
at Big Ten Championships
French Field House (2,500)
Columbus, Ohio
10 a.m. start

Wrestling
vs. Michigan State
Williams Arena
2:30 p.m., MSC

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18

Baseball
at Arizona
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf
at South Florida, All Day

Swimming & Diving
All-Comers Open
Aquatic Center
1 p.m.

Tennis
at Wisconsin
Neilsen Tennis Stadium
Madison, Wis.
1 p.m.

Track & Field
at Big Ten Championships
10:20 a.m. start

Wrestling
at Ohio State
St. John Arena (13,276)
Columbus, Ohio, 1 p.m.



BASEBALL

Golden Gophers Tangle With Wildcats: The Golden Gophers will travel to Tucson, Ariz., Feb. 23-25 and take on the Arizona Wildcats. Game times are set for 3:30 p.m. (Central) Friday, 2 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday at Frank Sencet Field.

About The 'Cats: The Wildcats finished 20-35-1 last season under head coach and former Golden Gopher Jerry Kindall. Arizona is 11-5 this season with two games to play during this week and were just swept in a weekend series against defending national champion Cal St.-Fullerton by scores of 6-2, 9-5 and 9-8. Arizona leads in the all-time series versus the Golden Gophers with a 12-9 advantage in 21 games.

Last Weekend: The Golden Gophers were swept in a three-game season opening series against the Florida State Seminoles in Tallahassee, Fla., by scores of 9-7, 23-11 and 8-2. Juniors **Bryan Guse (New Brighton, Minn.)** and **Troy Stein (New Ulm, Minn.)** led the Maroon and Gold at the plate, each collecting five hits. Junior college transfer **Phil McDermott (Roseville, Minn.)** led the team in extra-base hits with two doubles and the junior was also hit by a pitch in each game while collecting three walks to lead the team in on-base percentage at .600. On the mound, three pitchers came away with 0.00 ERA's as **Justin Pederson (Jr., Chippewa Falls, Wis.)** threw 4.2 innings of one-hit ball, **Ted Zrust (Jr., Buffalo, Minn.)** allowed six hits in three innings of work and allowed four unearned runs and **Tony Felling (Jr., Roseville, Minn.)** came in to finish game one of the three-game series allowing one hit in the last 2.1.

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

KSGS-AM 950 radio to broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder **Ryan Lefebvre** will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons.



GOLF

Golf Team Finishes Tied for 13th at Puerto Rico

Golf Classic: The Golden Gopher Golf team fired a 308 on the final round to finish 13th in the Puerto Rico Golf Classic in Rio Grande, Puerto Rico. Minnesota was led by freshman **Matt Doyle (Simsbury, Conn.)** who had a three-round score of 228 to finish 36th. Freshman **Dan Arroyo (Walnut Creek, Calif.)** was next at 229 (43rd) followed by senior **Aaron Barber (New London, Minn.)** at 234 (54th). **Bill Thompson (Wayzata, Minn.)** and **Ryan Woytassek (Breckenridge, Minn.)** rounded out the Minnesota scoring with 240 (66th), and 241 (69th) scores respectively. Florida won the tournament with a team score of 864, twelve shots ahead of Clemson. Robert Floyd of Florida took medalist honors with a score of 214.

Next Up: The Golden Gophers return to action Feb. 23-25 at the South Florida Invitational in Tampa, Fla.

Puerto Rico Classic

Rio Mar Country Club • Rio Grande, Puerto Rico
Team Standings (final) -- 1, Florida 864; 2, Clemson 876; 3 Florida Southern, East Tennessee State 890; 5 Virginia; Wake Forest 893; 7 Texas 894; 8 Duke 899; 9 North Carolina 900; 10 North Carolina State 908; 11 Georgia Tech 911; 12 Kent State 912; **GOPHERS**, Ohio State 923; 15 American University 964.

Individual Standings -- 1, Robert Floyd, Florida 214; 2 Rich Coughlan, Clemson, Josh McCumber, Florida, John Curley, Florida Southern, Brad Elder, Texas 215; 6 Steve Scott, Florida, Garrett Willis, East Tennessee St. 216; 8 Chad Starliper, Clemson 217; 9 Eamonn Brady, East Tennessee St. 218; 10 Charles Warren, Clemson 219; **GOPHERS:** 36(t), Matt Doyle 228; 43(t), Daniel Arroyo 229; 54(t) Aaron Barber 234; 66(t) Bill Thompson 240; 69 Ryan Woytassek 241.



GYMNASTICS

Gymnasts take on Illinois-Chicago Saturday at the Sports Pavilion: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team takes on the Illinois-Chicago Flames at the Sports Pavilion Saturday at 1 p.m. The Golden Gophers are 2-2 in dual meets this season (0-1 at home) (2-1 road).

Weaver Ties Mark: Senior captain Andrew Weaver (Albuquerque, N.M.) tied a school record on the horizontal bar Sunday with a 9.90. Weaver tied the record set by Brian Meeker (2/20/82 vs. Wis. Oshkosh), Collin Godkin (4/3-4/87 at Big Ten Championships), and Jay Caputo (4/19/90 at NCAA Preliminaries). Also on the weekend Chris Harrington (Jr., Brookfield, Wis.) scored a career-high 9.85 on the floor which ties him for second on the all-time list with Pat Houde, Dale Langfels, and John Roethlisberger. Harrington also matched his career-high with a 9.80 on the still rings. He currently ranks third all-time on the still rings record list behind Roethlisberger and Rob Hanson at 9.85.

Gophers Defeat Michigan State: Harrington won three individual events to pace the Golden Gophers to a 223.40-223.10 victory over host Michigan State Friday in East Lansing, Mich. Harrington captured the floor exercise with a score of 9.85 to headline a one-two-three Golden Gopher sweep in the event. Juniors Frank Ticknor (Milwaukee, Wis.) and Heath Wall (Sterling Heights, Mich.) were second and third in the event, respectively, with scores of 9.65 and 9.50. After winning the still rings with a score of 9.80, Harrington completed the tri-fecta by taking the vault with a 9.60.

Michigan State's Joe Duda won the all-around with a score of 56.75, followed by Ticknor in second at 55.45.

Individual Events:

Floor Exercise -- 1, Chris Harrington, Gophers, 9.85; 2, Frank Ticknor, Gophers, 9.65; 3, Heath Wall, Gophers, 9.50.

Pommel Horse -- 1, Joe Duda & Ethan Sterk, MSU, 9.30; 3, Chris Skidmore, MSU, 9.10.

Still Rings -- 1, Chris Harrington, Gophers, 9.80; 2, Joe Duda, MSU, 9.60; 3, Heath Wall & Frank Ticknor, Gophers, 9.55.

Vault -- 1, Chris Harrington, Gophers, 9.60; 2, Keith Douglas, MSU, 9.45; 3, Sam Smith, MSU, 9.25.

Parallel Bars -- 1, Joe Duda, MSU, 9.85; 2, Heath Wall, Gophers, 9.60; 3, Ryan Carns, Gophers, 9.50.

High Bar -- 1, Ethan Sterk, MSU, 9.75; 2, Joe Duda, MSU, 9.60; 3, Andrew Weaver, Gophers, 9.55.

All-Around -- 1, Joe Duda, MSU, 56.75; 2, Frank Ticknor, Gophers, 55.45; 3, Ethan Sterk, MSU, 55.15.

Minnesota defeats Michigan 223.55-209.70:

Minnesota defeated Michigan 223.55-209.70 in a Big Ten dual meet in Ann Arbor, Mich., Sunday. Minnesota's record improves to 2-2.

Minnesota was led by senior captain Andrew Weaver who took top honors in the all-around with 55.60 points. Weaver scored a career-best and tied a school record with a 9.90 on the horizontal bar. Chris Harrington took top honors in the floor exercise (9.45), still rings (9.75) and vault (9.60).

All-Around -- 1. Andrew Weaver, Minn. - 55.60; 2. Frank Ticknor, Minn. - 54.85; 3. Onuska, Mich. - 52.10;

Horizontal Bar -- 1. Weaver, Minn. - 9.90; 2. MacDonald, Mich. - 9.60; 3. Kwinger, Mich. - 9.50; 3.

Floor Exercise -- 1. Chris Harrington, Minn. - 9.45; 1. Brandon Aguire, Minn. - 9.45; 1. Ticknor, Minn. - 9.45; 1. Wall, Minn. - 9.45

Vault -- 1. Harrington, Minn. - 9.60; 2. Ticknor, Minn. 9.25; 3. Weaver, Minn. 9.25;

Still Rings -- 1. Harrington, Minn. - 9.75; 2. Ticknor, Minn. - 9.65; 3. Wall, Minn. - 9.60;

Parallel Bars -- 1. Robert Hubbard, Minn. - 9.15; 1. Ticknor, Minn. - 9.15; 3. George Beatty, Minn. - 9.05; 3. Weaver, Minn. - 9.05;

Pommel Horse -- 1. Jason Krob, Minn. - 9.15; 1. Hubbard, Minn. - 9.15; 3. Ticknor, Minn. - 9.10



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: The Golden Gophers will host the All-Comers Open on Sunday, February 25, at the Aquatic Center. Competition is set to begin at 1 p.m. Competitors will include swimmers from Kansas, Iowa State and Minnesota.

Last Week: Minnesota claimed its first Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championship since 1926, outdistancing defending national champion and Big Ten favorite Michigan 620.5-545.5. Minnesota athletes won nine of the 21 events contested at the Championships and were led by seniors **P.J. Bogart** (Mesa, Ariz.) and **Bernie Zeruhn** (Hamburg, Germany). The championship was Minnesota's third in swimming and diving with the other two coming in 1922 and 1926.

Play It Again PJ: For the fourth-straight year senior P.J. Bogart earned Diver of the Year honors at the Big Ten Championships. The defending national champion on the one-meter springboard proved he has recovered from early-season wrist surgery claiming both diving events over the weekend and in the process set a Big Ten record on the three-meter board with a 632.97 mark.

Weekend For Bernie: Senior Bernie Zeruhn led the Golden Gophers in the pool as he had a hand in capturing six titles for the Big Ten champions. He won the 200 fly, 500 and 200 free and swam a leg on the 400 medley, 800 and 400 free relay squads. The 1995 GTE Academic All-American did not travel with the team to Ann Arbor, Mich., and instead, arranged a later flight so he wouldn't miss Wednesday's classes. He has a 3.93 cumulative GPA in marketing and has been nominated for the 1996 GTE Academic All-America and All-Big Ten squads.

Coaching Honors: Head Coach **Dennis Dale** and Diving Coach **Doug Schaffer** earned Coach of the Year honors at the Championships. Dale also won that honor in 1989 when the Golden Gophers finished third at the Big Ten's after a seventh-place finish the year before. Schaffer, who is leaving the Minnesota staff at the end of the season to go into private business, earned his first men's Diving Coach of the Year honor but has previously won that same honor in 1994 and 1995 as the women's coach. He was named as the NCAA's diving coach of the year in 1993.

Big Ten Championships Team Results: 1. Minnesota, 620.5; 2. Michigan, 545.5; 3. Ohio State, 427; 4. Indiana, 414; 5. Iowa 352; 6. Purdue 286.5; 7. Northwestern 258; 8. Penn State, 229; 9. Michigan State, 216; 10. Wisconsin 207.5



TENNIS

No. 23 Golden Gophers Travel To Wisconsin: The twenty-third ranked Golden Gophers men's tennis team will be back in action this weekend as they travel to Madison, Wis., for a Big Ten dual match against the Wisconsin Badgers. Sunday's battle will begin at Noon at the Nielsen Tennis Stadium of the campus of the University of Wisconsin.

The Golden Gophers' next home match will be on Fri., Mar. 22 when Purdue comes to the 98th Street Tennis Club. The Boilermakers will be followed to town by Illinois, who will challenge the Maroon and Gold the following day, also at 98th Street. The Purdue match is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m., with the Illinois match beginning at 4 p.m.

Gophers Upset No. 9 South Alabama At Ice Volleys Showcase: The Golden Gophers picked up their second dual win of the season with an upset victory over ninth-ranked South Alabama Friday night in the first day of the 15th annual Ice Volleys Showcase held at the 98th Street Tennis Club. The Maroon and Gold captured four of six singles matches on the evening, the first time this season Minnesota has won the majority of the singles battles, to key the victory. The Golden Gophers owned the lower half of the singles division, with freshmen **Tom Chicoine** (no. 4, Neenah, Wis.), **Adam Selkirk** (no. 5, St. Joseph, Md.), and **Martin Kristoffersen** (no. 6, Portsgrunn, Norway) all posting wins.

In the other match Friday evening, No. 22 Kansas rolled over No. 27 Florida State by the count of 6-1.

In Saturday's action, the Golden Gophers lost to the champion Jayhawks by score of 5-2. Selkirk and Kristoffersen claimed Minnesota's lone points. KU won three of four singles matches that went to three sets, while winning the tie-breaker at number three doubles to win the doubles point.

MINNESOTA 4, SOUTH ALABAMA 3

Singles:

Jan Hermansson (SA) def. Lars Hjarrand (MN) 6-3, 2-6, 6-4
Ben Gabler (MN) def. Johannes Saayman (SA) 7-5, 6-4
Nic Chisholm (SA) def. Erik Donley (MN) 6-4, 6-2
Tom Chicoine (MN) def. Marius Swart (SA) 6-3, 6-2
Adam Selkirk (MN) def. Johan Westberg (SA) 6-3, 6-2
Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Myles Clouston (SA) 6-3, 6-3

Doubles:

Selkirk/Donley (MN) def. Hermansson/Chisholm (SA) 8-4
Westberg/Swart (SA) def. Cheregi/Gabler (MN) 8-3
Keyser/Saayman (SA) def. Chicoine/Kristoffersen (MN) 8-6

KANSAS 5, MINNESOTA 2

Singles:

Enrique Abaroa (KU) def. Lars Hjarrand (MN) 3-6, 6-3, 3-6
Victor Fimbres (KU) def. Ben Gabler (MN) 7-6, 6-2
Michael Isroff (KU) def. Erik Donley (MN) 5-7, 7-6, 6-4
Trent Tucker (KU) def. Tom Chicoine (MN) 4-6, 6-0, 6-3
Adam Selkirk (MN) def. Luis Uribe (KU) 6-3, 1-6, 7-6
Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Fernando Sierra (KU) 7-5, 2-6, 6-4

Doubles:

Hjarrand/Donley (MN) def. Isroff/Abaroa (KU) 8-4
Avila/Fimbres (KU) def. Gabler/Cheregi (MN) 8-4
Sierra/Uribe (KU) def. Chicoine/Kristoffersen (MN) 9-8(3)



TRACK & FIELD

Ohio State Hosts Big Ten Championships This

Weekend: The Minnesota men's track and field team will travel to Columbus, Ohio, this weekend to compete in the 86th Annual Big Ten Men's Indoor Track and Field Championships. Wisconsin earned the Big Ten Indoor title last year with 101 points, while the Gophers finished fifth with 51.5 points.

The meet will begin on Sat, Feb. 24 at 10 a.m. with the heptathlon 60-meter dash. Field events begin at 1:30 p.m. with the long jump, while track events start at 2 p.m. with the 55-meter dash trials. Sunday's competition starts at 10:20 a.m. with the heptathlon 60-meter hurdles, field events begin at 12:50 p.m. with shot put trials and final heats of track events get underway at 2 p.m. The awards presentation is scheduled for 3:45 p.m.

Three Gophers Take Snowshoe Titles: Three Golden Gophers earned event titles at Friday's Gold Country Snowshoe Open at the U of M Field House. In the preliminary rounds of the 55m dash, senior **Chris Darkins (Houston, Texas)** posted a heat-winning time of 6.40, making him the top qualifier for the final heat by a margin of .11 seconds. Darkins did not run in the final, which was won by Mankato State's Reggie Patterson in a time of 6.40.

Senior **Paul Michalek (Bloomington, Minn.)** turned in a time of 1:52.56 to earn the 800m title. In the pole vault, **Seth Mischke (Worland, Wyo.)** used a 16-6 3/4 clearance to vault to the event title.

In the 55m high hurdles, Minnesota posted a one-through-six finals sweep as **Niles Deneen (St. Paul, Minn.)** clocked a time of 7.57, followed by teammates **Vesa Rantannen (7.65, Fr., Virrat, Finland)**, **Aaron Wheatcraft (7.77, Sr., Apple Valley, Minn.)**, **Benjamin Jensen (7.79, So., Mandal, Norway)**, **Greg Nelson (7.81, Dallas, Texas)** and **Glenn Lindqvist (7.96, Fr., Aland, Finland)**.



WRESTLING

Gophers Host Michigan State for Televised Dual:

The Michigan State Spartans will travel to the Twin Cities this weekend for a dual meet against Minnesota in Williams Arena. The Spartans are currently the fourth-ranked team in the nation and feature five ranked athletes. David Morgan at 118 is currently the top-ranked Spartan. Saturday's dual will be televised live on Midwest SportsChannel with Eric Nelson and Jim Martinez calling the action.

Wrestlers Drop Dual to Michigan: A crowd of 1,178 watched the Golden Gophers lose to the Michigan Wolverines by a score of 18-14 at Williams Arena on Sunday afternoon. Minnesota falls to 9-7-1, 1-4 in the Big Ten, with the loss, while Michigan improves to 10-5-1 (5-2-1) on the season.

The Wolverines earned victories at the first two weight classes to take an early 6-0 lead in the team competition before junior **Nick Antila (Robbinsdale, Minn.)** came from behind to post a 4-3 win over Michigan's Corey Grant at 134. Sophomore **Jason Davids (Forest Lake, Minn.)** followed with a 17-9 major decision over Jeff Reese to put the Gophers into the team lead, 7-6. **Chad Kraft's (Lakefield, Minn.)** 6-3 decision over ninth-ranked Bill Lacure at 150 gave Minnesota a 10-6 lead at the halfway point. In the second half of the dual, junior **Gerald Carr (Dublin, Ga.)** was the only Gopher to win his match, dominating Josh Young for a 21-7 major decision.

No. 15 Michigan 18, No. 7 Minnesota 14

Feb. 18, 1996, Williams Arena, Minneapolis, Minn. ATT: 1,178
118- Chris Viola, Mich., dec. Kipp Williamson, Minn., 12-9
126- Brandon Howe, Mich., dec. Bart Golyer, Minn., 8-3
134- Nick Antila, Minn., dec. Corey Grant, Mich., 4-3
142- No. 7 Jason Davids, Minn., maj. dec. Jeff Reese, Mich., 17-9
150- Chad Kraft, Minn., dec. No. 9 Bill Lacure, Mich., 6-3
158- No. 5 Jeff Catrabone, Mich., dec. Josh Holiday, Minn., 6-0
167- No. 8 Gerald Carr, Minn., maj. dec. Josh Young, Mich., 21-7
177- No. 4 Jesse Rawls, Jr., Mich., dec. Tim Hartung, Minn., 6-1
190- Larre Olabisi, Mich., dec. Jeremy Goeden, Minn., 10-4
HWT- No. 7 Airron Richardson, Mich., dec. Josh Dodd, Minn., 7-3

GOLDEN GOPHER BASEBALL
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Feb 20, 1996)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 0-3-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 0-3-0

Name	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Guse.....	.417	3-3	12	3	5	0	1	0	1	7	.583	0	1	1	0	.462	0	0	0-0	13	1	1	.933
Stein.....	.385	3-3	13	2	5	0	0	0	3	5	.385	2	0	2	0	.467	0	0	0-0	7	1	1	.889
Keeney.....	.364	3-3	11	3	4	0	0	0	1	4	.364	4	0	3	1	.533	0	0	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
McDermott.....	.333	3-3	9	1	3	2	0	0	1	5	.556	3	3	3	2	.600	0	0	0-0	18	0	0	1.000
Huls.....	.273	3-3	11	0	3	1	0	0	3	4	.364	2	0	2	0	.385	0	0	0-1	2	14	0	1.000
Welter.....	.250	3-3	12	2	3	1	0	0	2	4	.333	2	0	3	1	.357	0	0	0-0	8	11	1	.950
Mahady.....	.250	2-2	8	2	2	0	0	0	0	2	.250	0	0	0	0	.250	0	0	1-1	2	1	1	.750
Horton.....	.200	2-1	5	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	.200	1	0	2	1	.333	0	0	1-1	14	0	0	1.000
Quinlan.....	.182	3-3	11	2	2	0	0	0	3	2	.182	1	1	4	0	.308	0	0	0-0	2	4	1	.857
Selander.....	.167	2-1	6	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	.167	1	0	1	0	.286	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Beers.....	.125	2-2	8	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	.250	0	0	2	0	.125	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
--- Others ---																							
Skovran.....	.000	1-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
Griffin.....	.000	1-0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0-0	0	1	0	1.000
Totals.....	.280	3-3	107	20	30	5	1	0	15	37	.346	18	6	24	5	.412	0	0	2-3	72	39	7	.941
Opponents.....	.398	3-3	113	40	45	12	2	5	33	76	.673	15	2	12	1	.470	2	1	7-9	81	38	6	.952

LOB - Team (31), Opp (21). DPs turned - Team (1), Opp (5). CI - Team (0), Opp (1). IBB - Team (0), Opp (2). Picked off - Stein 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)


Name	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
--- Others ---																							
Pederson.....	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	4.2	1	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	17	.067	1	0	0	0	0
Zrust.....	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	6	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	16	.375	1	0	0	0	0
Felling.....	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	9	.125	0	0	0	0	0
Dobis.....	12.71	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	5.2	10	9	8	0	3	1	0	1	28	.370	1	1	0	0	0
Kearin.....	20.25	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	1.1	2	3	3	6	0	0	0	0	11	.500	0	0	0	1	0
Diebolt.....	22.50	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.0	5	5	5	2	2	2	0	1	12	.556	2	0	0	0	1
Freeman.....	27.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	2.2	10	8	8	2	1	4	2	1	20	.588	1	1	0	0	0
Westfall.....	38.57	0-1	1	1	0	0/0	0	2.1	10	11	10	2	1	4	0	2	20	.588	0	0	1	1	0
Totals.....	12.75	0-3	3	3	0	0/0	0	24.0	45	40	34	15	12	12	2	5	133	.398	6	2	1	2	1
Opponents.....	5.33	3-0	3	3	0	0/0	1	27.0	30	20	16	18	24	5	1	0	132	.280	4	6	1	0	0

PB - Team (2), Skovran 1, Guse 1, Opp (1). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (1). SB/SBA - Guse (7-8), Diebolt (3-4), Kearin (1-2), Felling (2-2), Dobis (1-1).

GOLDEN GOPHER BASEBALL
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Feb 20, 1996)
 (All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Name	C	PO	A	E	FLD%	DPs	SBA	CSB	SBA%	PB	CI
McDermott.....	18	18	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Huls.....	16	2	14	0	1.000	1	0	0	---	0	0
Horton.....	14	14	0	0	1.000	1	0	0	---	0	0
Keeney.....	5	5	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Westfall.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Griffin.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Freeman.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Felling.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
Kearin.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	1	1	.500	0	0
Skovran.....	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	1	0
Diebolt.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	3	1	.750	0	0
Welter.....	20	8	11	1	.950	0	0	0	---	0	0
Guse.....	15	13	1	1	.933	0	7	1	.875	1	0
Stein.....	9	7	1	1	.889	0	0	0	---	0	0
Quinlan.....	7	2	4	1	.857	0	0	0	---	0	0
Mahady.....	4	2	1	1	.750	0	0	0	---	0	0
Dobis.....	3	0	1	2	.333	0	1	0	1.000	0	0
Beers.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Selander.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Pederson.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Zrust.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals.....	118	72	39	7	.941	1	7	2	.778	2	0
Opponents.....	125	81	38	6	.952	5	2	1	.667	1	1

Hitting minimums - 1 Games 5 AB 5 TPA
 Pitching minimums - 5 Games 5 IP 10 BF



SPORTS NEWS

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February 22, 1996

GOLDEN GOPHERS ENTERTAIN ELITE FIELD IN HORMEL CLASSIC

The University of Minnesota baseball team will play host to another top field of teams for the 1996 Hormel Foods Baseball Classic Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Mar. 1-3, at the Hubert H. Humphrey Metrodome. Number five-ranked Tennessee (*Baseball America*) and No. 23 North Carolina State (*Baseball America*) will join 1994 Big East champion Connecticut and the Minnesota Golden Gophers for this prestigious collegiate baseball tournament.

This tournament will feature some of the finest team and individual collegiate talent in the country. Tennessee boasts a pair of Olympians in shortstop Augie Ojeda and two-time All-America R.A. Dickey. North Carolina State has a pair of All-America selections in junior Tom Sergio who earned the honor as a second baseman and will attempt a move to the outfield this season where he will join sophomore Jake Weber, who was a consensus Freshman All-America last season.

The Hormel Foods Baseball Classic is known throughout collegiate baseball circles as one of the finest regular season tournaments in the country, both in level of competition, and in the way the visiting athletes are treated.

The tournament will again feature a youth baseball clinic. The clinic, which is open to the public, takes place at 3:30 p.m. at the Metrodome on Saturday and will be conducted by the coaches and players participating in the tournament. Admission to the clinic is free with the purchase of a tournament ticket.

The tournament schedule is listed below:

Friday, March 1	1 p.m.	Tennessee vs. N.C. State
	7 p.m.	Connecticut vs. Minnesota
Saturday, March 2	Noon	Connecticut vs. N.C. State
	3:30 p.m.	Youth Baseball Clinic
	6:30 p.m.	Tennessee vs. Minnesota
Sunday, March 3	1:15 p.m.	N.C. State vs. Minnesota
	5 p.m.	Tennessee vs. Connecticut

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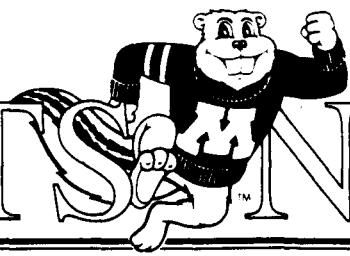
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February 22, 1996

To: MICA Staff
From: Media Relations Office
Re: Penn State game

The Big Ten office has notified us that regardless of the outcome of tonight's Penn State/Michigan game, the Penn State/Minnesota game will be played as originally scheduled on Saturday, March 2 at 2:15 p.m. at Williams Arena.

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GOPHERS ONLINE

The University of Minnesota Men's Athletic Department is now on the Internet. The World Wide Web site contains press releases, statistics, rosters, schedules and much more information. The Web pages can be accessed at:

<http://www.umn.edu/mica/>

Information on every Big Ten school and the conference is also available via computer internet. The Big Ten's home page on ESPN SportsZone will be available at the following address:

<http://espnet.sportszone.com>

MEDIA ALERT:

The Golden Gopher hotline has been temporarily discontinued until further notice due to mechanical difficulties. The problem is being worked on and the media will be advised as soon as the hotline is operational again.



THIS WEEK..

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Basketball at Purdue
Mackey Arena (14,123)
West Lafayette, Ind.
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

Baseball vs. Connecticut
Hornell Classic
Metrodome
7 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Hockey

vs. Alaska-Anchorage
WCHA First Round
Mariucci Arena
7 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Track & Field

at Iowa State
Hilton Coliseum
Ames, Iowa, 2 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

Baseball vs. Tennessee
6:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Basketball

vs. Penn State
Williams Arena
2:15 p.m., WCCO-AM (830), MSC

Hockey

vs. Alaska-Anchorage
WCHA First Round
Mariucci Arena
7 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Tennis

at Arizona State
Whiteman Tennis Center
Tempe, Ariz.,
1 p.m.

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

Baseball vs. North Carolina State
1:15 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Tennis

vs. San Diego at Arizona State
Whiteman Tennis Center
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1 p.m.



BASEBALL

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	5 p.m.	Tennessee vs. Connecticut

Last Weekend: The Golden Gophers won its first game and series of the young season winning two contests in a three game set against the Arizona Wildcats in Tucson. Pitcher **Mike Diebolt (Jr., Mayfield Village, Ohio)** picked up the win in relief in the first game going 2.1 innings and allowing two runs and junior **Tony Felling (Roseville, Minn.)** came on to stop a Wildcat rally to earn a save in the 12-11 win. Minnesota was led at the plate by junior **Phil McDermott (Roseville, Minn.)** and freshman **Robb Quinlan (Maplewood, Minn.)** who each collected four hits in the contest. The Golden Gophers overcame a 3-0 deficit in game two and held on for a 7-5 win. The key blow in the game came off the bat of freshman **Craig Selander (W. St. Paul, Minn.)** as his pinch-hit single in the top of the seventh scored two and proved to be the margin of victory. McDermott continued swinging a hot bat collecting three more safeties and junior **Bob Keeney (Burnsville, Minn.)** contributed three hits and scored two runs. In the series finale the Wildcats jumped out to a 4-0 lead through three innings and stopped Minnesota rallies holding on for the 4-2 win. Junior **Bryan Guse (New Brighton, Minn.)** went three-for-three with a run scored and

three Golden Gopher pitchers **Brad Pautz (Fr., Reedsville, Wis.)**, **Diebolt** and **Joe Westfall (Sr., Marathon, Wis.)** shut down the Arizona bats for the final 5.2 innings.

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

KSGS-AM 950 radio to broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder **Ryan Lefebvre** will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons.



GOLF

Next Up: Minnesota returns to action Mar. 4-5 at the Central Florida Invitational in Orlando, Fla.

Men's Golf Team Finishes Second At South

Florida/Ron Smith Invitational: The Golden Gopher Golf team fired a 290 on the final round to finish second in the South Florida/Ron Smith Invitational in Tampa, Fla. this past weekend. Minnesota finished three strokes behind winner South Florida, which carded a 291 on the final round. Minnesota was led by senior All-America candidate **Aaron Barber (New London, Minn.)** who finished tied for third with a three-round score of 215. Barber's final round of 73 put him two strokes back of medalist Chris Colli of South Florida who carded a 71 on the final round. Barber's 66 on the first round of the tournament set a South Florida Golf Course record. Golden Gopher freshman **Matt Doyle (Simsbury, Conn.)** was tied for sixth for the Maroon and Gold at 217. Fellow freshman **Dan Arroyo (Walnut Creek, Calif.)** was 15th with a score of 221. Junior **Mark Halverson (Fargo, N.D.)** and sophomore **Robb Kerr (Pointe Claire, Quebec)** were 22nd with scores of 223, while freshman **Ryan Woytassek (Breckenridge, Minn.)** was 80th with a score of 235.

College Men's Golf

South Florida/Ron Smith Invitational
Tampa, Fla.

Team Standings (final) -- 1, South Florida 870; 2, Minnesota 873; 3 North Carolina Charlotte 880; 4 Central Florida 884; 5 Kansas 888; 6 Southern Mississippi 892; 7 Virginia Commonwealth 895; 8 South Alabama 896; 9 Alabama-Birmingham 900; 10 Old Dominion, Middle Tennessee State 903; 12 Wichita State 909; 13, Coastal Carolina 911; Eastern Carolina 913; 15, Memphis 919; 16, Toledo, Austin Peay 927; 18, Temple 930; 19, Richmond 935; 20, Tulane 936; 21, Louisville 944.

Individual Standings -- 1, Chris Colli, South Florida 213; 2, Paul Carpenter, NC Charlotte 214; 3 Aaron Barber, Minnesota, Heath Slocum, South Alabama 215; 5 Rickey Michelmore, South Florida 216; 6, Brett Waldman, Central Florida, Matt Doyle, Minnesota, 217; 8, Jason Ruby, Southern Mississippi, Zac Courtenay, UAB 218; 10, Andrew Laurence, UAB, John Rollins, Va. Commonwealth, Shane Parker, NC Charlotte 219; **GOPHERS:** 15(t) Daniel Arroyo 221; 22(t) Mark Halverson 223; 80(t) Ryan Woytassek 235.



GYMNASTICS

Gymnasts take week off before facing Nebraska Feb. 9: After a win last weekend to enhance their dual meet record to 3-2, the University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team takes a week off before facing Nebraska on Feb. 9 at the Sports Pavilion. The meet will be co-ed with the women's team facing the Cornhuskers as well. The meets will start at 7 p.m.

Minnesota defeats Illinois-Chicago 225.80-222.10:

The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team defeated Illinois-Chicago 225.80 - 222.10 in a dual meet at the Sports Pavilion last Saturday. The Golden Gophers were led by junior **Chris Harrington (Brookfield, Wis.)** who won three events. Harrington won top honors on the floor exercise with a 9.75, the rings with a 9.75, and the vault with a 9.45. In the all-around junior **Frank Ticknor (Milwaukee, Wis.)** placed second with 55.75 points and senior **Andrew Weaver (Albuquerque, N.M.)** was third with 55.15 points. Weaver won the horizontal bar with a 9.75 as well.

All-Around:

1. Carey Reddick, UIC - 56.15; 2. Frank Ticknor, Minn. - 55.75; 3. Andrew Weaver, Minn. - 55.15

Parallel Bars:

1. Chase Penny, UIC - 9.75; 2. Heath Wall, Minn. - 9.60; 3. Ryan Carns, Minn. - 9.50

Horizontal Bar:

1. Weaver, Minn. - 9.75; 2. Wall, Minn - 9.60; 2. Reddick, UIC - 9.60

Floor:

1. Chris Harrington, Minn. - 9.75; 1. Shannon Welker, UIC - 9.75; 3. Ticknor, Minn. - 9.55

Pommel Horse:

1. Penny, UIC - 9.60; 2. Reddick, UIC - 9.40; 2. Robert Gargano, UIC - 9.40

Rings:

1. Harrington, Minn. - 9.75; 2. Wall, Minn. - 9.60; 3. Ticknor, Minn. - 9.55

Vault:

1. Harrington, Minn. - 9.45; 2. Weaver, Minn. - 9.30; 3. Penny, UIC - 9.25



TENNIS

No. 23 Golden Gophers Travel to Tempe: The 23rd ranked Golden Gophers men's tennis team will travel to Tempe, Arizona this weekend to take part in the Arizona State Invitational. Minnesota will play matches on Saturday vs. Arizona State and Sunday vs. San Diego at the Whitemen Tennis Center on the campus of Arizona State University.

The Golden Gophers' next home match will be on Fri., Mar. 22 when Purdue comes to the 98th Street Racquet Club. The Boilermakers will be followed to town by Illinois, who will challenge the Maroon and Gold the following day, also at the 98th Street Racquet Club. The Purdue match is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m., with the Illinois match beginning at 4 p.m.

Gophers Defeat Badgers in Madison: Minnesota won its second Big Ten dual of the season with a win over Wisconsin Saturday afternoon in Madison. The Maroon and Gold won five of six singles matches and the doubles point to beat the Badgers. Golden Gophers **Lars Hjarrand** (no. 1, Olso, Norway) and freshmen **Tom Chicoine** (no. 3, Neenah, Wis.), **Adam Selkirk** (no. 4, St. Joseph, Md.), **Martin Kristoffersen** (no. 5, Portsgrunn, Norway), and **John Cheregi** (no. 6, Skokie, Ill.) all posted victories.

MINNESOTA 6, WISCONSIN 1

Singles:

Lars Hjarrand (MN) def. Mike Goldstein (UW) 7-6(4), 5-7, 6-3
John Thomsen (UW) def. Erik Donley (MN) 7-5, 6-2
Tom Chicoine (MN) def. Malcolm Thorne (UW) 6-4, 5-7, 6-4
Adam Selkirk (MN) def. Jason Zuckerman (UW) 6-2, 6-4
Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Jeff Malik (UW) 6-3, 6-4
John Cheregi (MN) def. Shane Sabel (UW) 6-4, 6-4

Doubles:

Hjarrand/Donley (MN) def. Thomsen/Weiss 8-4
Chicoine/Kristoffersen (MN) def. Goldstein/Thorne 9-8(3)
Zuckerman/Malik def. Cheregi/Matt Gabler (MN) 8-5



TRACK & FIELD

Gophers Travel to Last Chance Meet Friday: Minnesota's men's track and field team is scheduled to travel to Ames, Iowa, on Friday for ISU's NCAA Qualifying Meet.

Minnesota Finishes Third at Big Ten Indoor:

Minnesota's track and field team earned a third-place finish at the Big Ten Men's Indoor Track and Field Championships in Columbus, Ohio, last weekend. The Gophers scored 66 points on the way to Minnesota's best indoor track finish since 1968. Wisconsin won their second consecutive Big Ten Indoor Track & Field title with 123 points, followed by Ohio State (78) and Minnesota.

Senior **Chris Darkins** (Houston, Texas) ran a personal-best time of 6.24 to edge **Jermaine Stafford** of Michigan State for the 55m dash title by a margin of .01. Darkins entered the final with the top qualifying time and earned All-Big Ten honors with the event title.

Junior **Adrian Ellis** (Racine, Wis.) was able to continue Minnesota's stranglehold on the triple jump, taking the top spot with a mark of 52-2, a personal-best and NCAA provisional qualifying mark. Former Gopher **Keita Cline** earned the Big Ten indoor triple jump title in 1994 and 1995. Senior **Chip Mosley** (Bloomington, Ill.) finished fifth with a mark of 49-0 1/2.

Minnesota's third event winner was senior **Paul Michalek** (Bloomington, Minn.), who captured the 800m title in a time of 1:51.34. Junior **Kevin Dunbar** (Brockville, Ontario) placed sixth in 1:54.43.

Other athletes who scored for the Gophers included **Tyler McCormick** (White Bear Lake, Minn.), whose leap of 6-11 3/4 earned a third-place finish in the high jump. Freshman **Glenn Lindqvist** (Aland, Finland) finished fifth in the heptathlon with a total of 5,188 points. Junior **Scott Beadle** (Moorhead, Minn.) placed third in the 600m with a time of 1:19.23, and two athletes scored for Minnesota in the shot put, as sophomores **Jeff Marsh** (Seymour, Wis.) and **Chad Yenchsky** (DePere, Wis.) finished fifth and sixth with marks of 55-5 1/2 and 55-2, respectively.

On Saturday, freshman **Vesa Rantanen** (Virrat, Finland) and junior **Seth Mischke** (Worland, Wyo.) earned fourth and fifth place in the pole vault, respectively, as both cleared a height of 16-9 1/2. The Gopher distance medley relay team posted a time of 10:00.19 to finish third.

FINAL TEAM SCORES

MEN'S INDOOR TRACK & FIELD CHAMPIONSHIP

1. Wisconsin, 123; 2. Ohio State, 78; 3. Minnesota, 66; 4. Illinois, 61; 5. Purdue, 41; 6(t). Indiana, Michigan, 37; 8. Iowa, 31; 9. Michigan State, 27; 10. Penn State, 25



WRESTLING

Up Next: Minnesota will take this weekend off in order to prepare for the Big Ten Wrestling Championships, to be held at Michigan State University, March 9-10.

Grapplers End Six-Dual Losing Streak Sunday:

Minnesota put an end to their six-dual meet losing streak on Sunday in Columbus, Ohio, with a 23-10 victory over 19th-ranked Ohio State. The Gophers improve to 10-8-1 overall.

Minnesota won the first four weight classes for the first time this season, as **Kipp Williamson (Hayfield, Minn.)** decisioned No. 13 Shawn Conyers 5-3 at 118, **Pat Connors (Longview, Wash.)** won 8-2 at 126, **Nick Antila (Robbinsdale, Minn.)** won an overtime decision over Dominic DiSabato 7-5, and sixth-ranked sophomore **Jason Davids (Forest Lake, Minn.)** major decisioned Jay Michael 25-11.

Freshman **Chad Kraft (Lakefield, Minn.)** and **Josh Holiday (Anaheim, Calif.)** lost to higher-ranked opponents at 150 and 158, respectively, before **Gerald Carr (Dublin, Ga.)** posted an 18-6 decision at 167, **Tim Hartung (Durand, Wis.)** earned his 20th win on the season with a 5-1 decision over Eric Odita at 177, and **Jeremy Goeden (Grand Rapids, Minn.)** closed out Minnesota's scoring with a 4-3 decision over Anthony Gary at 190. Freshman **Josh Dodd (Northwood, Iowa)** lost 7-6 to 12th-ranked Nick Nutter at heavyweight.

Spartan Grapplers Defeat Gophers: Michigan State got off to a fast start with a pin at 118, followed by decisions at 126 and 134. Davids scored the first points of the dual for Minnesota, earning a 12-2 major decision over eighth-ranked Phil Judge. Kraft followed with a 16-2 major decision over David Hughes.

Holiday and Carr both won close decisions, as Holiday won 9-7 and Carr earned a 6-4 overtime win over 10th-ranked Joel Morissette. The Spartans won the last three weight classes to earn the dual meet win.

No. 8 Minnesota 23, No. 19 Ohio State 10

Larkins Hall, Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 25, 1996

- 118- Kipp Williamson, Minn., dec. No. 13 Shawn Conyers, OSU, 5-3
- 126- Pat Connors, Minn., dec. Mike Glane, OSU, 8-2
- 134- Nick Antila, Minn., dec. Dominic DiSabato, OSU, 7-5 OT
- 142- No. 6 Jason Davids, Minn., maj. dec. Jay Michael, OSU, 25-11
- 150- No. 6 Charlie Becks, OSU, dec. No. 9 Chad Kraft, Minn., 5-3
- 158- No. 4 Eric Smith, OSU, maj. dec. No. 19 Josh Holiday, Minn., 15-6
- 167- No. 7 Gerald Carr, Minn., maj. dec. Dan DiCesare, OSU, 18-6
- 177- No. 15 Tim Hartung, Minn., dec. Eric Odita, OSU, 5-1
- 190- Jeremy Goeden, Minn., dec. Anthony Gary, OSU, 4-3
- HWT- No. 12 Nick Nutter, OSU, dec. Josh Dodd, Minn., 7-6

No. 4 Michigan State 21, No. 8 Minnesota 14

- 118- No. 5 David Morgan, MSU, pinned Kipp Williamson, Minn., 4:01
- 126- No. 13 Brian Bolton, MSU, dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 4-0
- 134- No. 19 Jed Kramer, MSU, dec. Nick Antila, Minn., 8-3
- 142- No. 6 Jason Davids, Minn., maj. dec. No. 8 Phil Judge, MSU, 12-2
- 150- No. 9 Chad Kraft, Minn., maj. dec. David Hughes, MSU, 16-2
- 158- No. 19 Josh Holiday, Minn., dec. Greg DeGrand, MSU, 9-7
- 167- No. 7 Gerald Carr, Minn., dec. No. 10 Joel Morissette, MSU, 6-4 OT
- 177- No. 3 Erich Harvey, MSU, dec. No. 15 Tim Hartung, Minn., 5-4
- 190- Jason Howell, MSU, dec. Jeremy Goeden, Minn., 7-4
- HWT- Jason Peterson, MSU, dec. Josh Dodd, Minn., 3-1

GOLDEN GOPHER BASEBALL

Game Results for Minnesota (as of Feb 26, 1996)
(All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend Time
Feb 16, 1996	at Florida State	7-9 L	7	12	3/	9	11	2	9	0- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	Dobis (L 0-1)	992 2:35
Feb 17, 1996	at Florida State	11-23 L	11	13	4/23	26	4	4	9	0- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	Westfall (L 0-1)	1864 3:30
Feb 18, 1996	at Florida State	2-8 L	2	5	0/	8	8	0	9	0- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Kearin (L 0-1)	2544 2:50
Feb 23, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	W 12-11	12	17	5/11	12	2	2	(10)	1- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Diebolt (W 1-0)	733 3:40
Feb 24, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	W 7-5	7	12	1/	5	12	2	9	2- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Pederson (W 1-0)	780 3:01
Feb 25, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	2-4 L	2	9	1/	4	11	1	9	2- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	Freeman (L 0-1)	975 2:40

* Big Ten game
() extra inning game

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McDermott.....	18	18	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
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Diebolt.....	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	4	2	.667	0	0
Pederson.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
Skovran.....	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	1	0
Kearin.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	1	1	.500	0	0
Pautz.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Guse.....	40	37	2	1	.975	0	9	2	.818	3	0
Huls.....	24	3	20	1	.958	2	0	0	---	0	0
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Beers.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Zrust.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals.....	235	153	68	14	.940	4	9	4	.692	4	0
Opponents.....	263	165	87	11	.958	8	4	3	.571	1	1

Hitting minimums - 1 Games 5 AB 5 TPA
Pitching minimums - 1 Games 1 IP 9 BF

GOLDEN GOPHER BASEBALL
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Feb 26, 1996)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 2-4-0 Home 0-0-0 Away: 2-4-0

	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
McDermott.....	.458	6-6	24	4	11	5	0	0	5	16	.667	3	3	3	3	.567	0	0	0-0	18	0	0	1.000
Guse.....	.435	6-6	23	7	10	1	1	0	3	13	.565	4	1	1	0	.536	0	0	1-2	37	2	1	.975
Keeney.....	.375	6-6	24	7	9	0	0	0	3	9	.375	6	0	4	1	.500	0	0	0-0	8	0	1	.889
Selander.....	.300	5-2	10	0	3	0	0	0	4	3	.300	1	0	1	0	.364	0	2	0-0	2	0	1	.667
Huls.....	.292	6-6	24	2	7	2	0	0	4	9	.375	4	0	4	0	.393	0	0	0-1	3	20	1	.958
Quinlan.....	.280	6-6	25	4	7	0	1	0	6	9	.360	1	1	6	0	.333	0	0	1-2	6	11	2	.895
Welter.....	.261	6-6	23	5	6	1	0	0	5	7	.304	5	0	3	1	.393	0	0	0-0	12	22	2	.944
Mahady.....	.250	5-4	16	2	4	1	0	0	0	5	.313	0	0	0	1	.250	0	0	1-1	3	1	1	.800
Stein.....	.231	6-6	26	4	6	1	0	0	4	7	.269	3	1	4	0	.333	0	0	0-0	18	1	1	.950
Horton.....	.231	5-4	13	1	3	0	0	0	1	3	.231	1	0	2	1	.286	0	1	1-1	37	0	0	1.000
Beers.....	.125	2-2	8	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	.250	0	0	2	0	.125	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
--- Others ---																							
Griffin.....	.250	3-0	4	3	1	0	0	0	0	1	.250	2	1	0	1	.571	0	0	0-0	6	1	0	1.000
Skovran.....	.000	1-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
Totals.....	.308	6-6	221	41	68	12	2	0	35	84	.380	31	7	31	8	.409	0	3	4-7	153	68	14	.940
Opponents.....	.351	6-6	228	60	80	19	3	9	50	132	.579	30	5	36	4	.434	2	2	9-13	165	87	11	.958

LOB - Team (57), Opp (54). DPs turned - Team (4), Opp (8). CI - Team (0), Opp (1). IBB - Team (1), Welter 1, Opp (2). Picked off - Huls 1, Stein 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Felling.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	1	5.0	5	0	0	1	5	2	0	0	22	.250	0	1	0	0	0
Zrust.....	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	6	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	16	.375	1	0	0	0	0
Pederson.....	4.22	1-0	2	1	0	0/0	0	10.2	9	5	5	8	9	1	0	0	47	.237	1	1	0	0	0
Diebolt.....	7.71	1-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	7.0	11	7	6	5	9	3	0	1	36	.367	2	0	1	0	1
Kearin.....	9.00	0-1	3	1	0	0/0	1	3.0	2	3	3	7	0	0	0	0	16	.250	0	0	0	1	0
Dobis.....	10.61	0-1	2	2	0	0/0	0	9.1	15	16	11	1	4	2	0	4	48	.333	2	1	0	0	1
Westfall.....	14.14	0-1	3	1	0	0/0	0	7.0	14	13	11	5	4	4	0	2	42	.389	1	0	1	1	0
Freeman.....	21.60	0-1	2	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	16	12	12	2	3	6	3	2	34	.533	1	2	0	0	0
--- Others ---																							
Pautz.....	0.00	0-0	1	0	0	0/0	0	1.0	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	6	.400	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.....	8.47	2-4	6	6	0	0/0	2	51.0	80	60	48	30	36	19	3	9	267	.351	8	5	2	2	2
Opponents.....	5.40	4-2	6	6	0	0/0	2	55.0	68	41	33	31	31	12	2	0	263	.308	7	7	1	0	3

PB - Team (4), Guse 3, Skovran 1, Opp (1). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - Guse (9-11), Diebolt (4-6), Dobis (2-2), Felling (2-2), Kearin (1-2), Pederson (0-1).



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GOPHERS ONLINE

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<http://www.umn.edu/mica/>

Information on every Big Ten school and the conference is also available via computer internet. The Big Ten's home page on ESPNET SportsZone will be available at the following address:

<http://espnetsportszone.com>.

MEDIA ALERT:

The Golden Gopher hotline has been temporarily discontinued until further notice due to mechanical difficulties. The problem is being worked on and the media will be advised as soon as the hotline is operational again.

THIS WEEK...

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

Golf at Central Florida Invitational
Tusawilla CC (6,610 yards)
Orlando, Fla., All Day

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6

Baseball vs. Iowa State
Metrodome
6:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Basketball vs. Iowa
Williams Arena
7 p.m., WCCO-AM (850), MSC

Swimming U.S. Olympic Trials
**Selected Members of Team
IUPUI Natatorium
Indianapolis, Ind.
All Day, Through March 12

For Immediate Release: March 5, 1996

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Baseball vs. Western Michigan
Metrodome
7 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Hockey vs. Wisconsin
WCHA Final Five
Bradley Center (18,000)
Milwaukee, Wis.
2 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Track & Field at NCAA Indoor Championships
RCA Dome
Indianapolis, Ind., All Day

SATURDAY, MARCH 9

Baseball vs. Western Michigan
Metrodome
7 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Basketball at Illinois
Facility
Champaign, Ill.
1:15 p.m., WCCO-AM (850), MSC

Gymnastics vs. Nebraska
Sports Pavilion **Co-Ed Meet**
7 p.m., MSC

Hockey vs. TBA
WCHA Final Five
2 p.m. or 7 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Track & Field at NCAA Indoor Championships
RCA Dome
Indianapolis, Ind.

Wrestling at Big Ten Championships
Breslin Center
East Lansing, Mich.
11 a.m., 6:30 p.m. (session start times)

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

Baseball vs. Western Michigan
Metrodome
7 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Wrestling at Big Ten Championships
Breslin Center
East Lansing, Mich.
Noon



BASEBALL

This Week: Minnesota will host four games this week as the Iowa State Cyclones visit Wednesday, March 6, for a single game at the Metrodome at 6:30 p.m. Western Michigan will then challenge the Golden Gophers on Friday and Saturday at 7 p.m. and Sunday at 1 p.m. at the Metrodome.

About the Opponents: Iowa State enters Wednesday night's game with an 0-5 record. The Cyclones dropped a three-game series to Arkansas this past weekend. Western Michigan will enter the weekend with a 2-7 mark. The Broncos posted season-opening wins over Oakland University and Florida Southern but have dropped seven straight coming into this weekend with losses to South Florida, Stetson, Florida International and Eckerd.

Last Weekend: The Golden Gophers hosted the Hormel Classic and posted an 0-3 record. Minnesota fell to Connecticut 8-6 in the tourney opener, 8-4 to eventual champion Tennessee and 10-6 to North Carolina State.

1996 Hormel Foods Tourney Recap:

Friday, March 1	Saturday, March 2	Sunday, March 3
Tennessee 12 N.C. State 7	N.C. State 8 Connecticut 4	N.C. State 10 Minnesota 6
Connecticut 8 Minnesota 6	Tennessee 8 Minnesota 4	Tennessee 6 Connecticut 0

Tournament Records

Tennessee	3-0
N.C. State	2-1
Connecticut	1-2
Minnesota	0-3

1996 Hormel Foods Baseball Classic

All-Tournament Team

P	Sean Gordon	North Carolina State
P	Brett Black	North Carolina State
C	Robby Lasater	North Carolina State
1B	Ed Lewis	Tennessee
2B	Jeff Pickler	Tennessee
SS	Adam Everett	North Carolina State
3B	Reuben Wilson	Connecticut
OF	Bob Keeney	Minnesota
OF	Billy Rich	Connecticut
OF	Scott Schroeffel	Tennessee
DH	Justin Ross	Tennessee
MVP	Scott Schroeffel	Tennessee

Previous Tournament Champions

1985	Oral Roberts
1986	Michigan
1987	Team Cuba
1988	Florida State
1989	Oklahoma State
1990	Miami
1991	Minnesota
1992	Texas A&M
1993	Georgia Tech
1994	Minnesota
1995	LSU
1996	Tennessee

Easton Silver Stick Award

(Awarded to player with highest batting average)

1989	Bobby Perna	Oklahoma State
1990	Mike Lansing	Wichita State
1991	Ryan McGuire	UCLA
1992	George Behr	Minnesota
1993	Michael Sorrow	Georgia Tech
1994	Mark Merila	Minnesota
1995	Mike Klostermeyer	LSU
1996	Justin Ross	Tennessee

Outstanding Player Award

1985	Keith Hoskison	C	Oral Roberts
1986	Casey Close	OF	Michigan
1987	Steve Sowell	P	UCLA
1988	Edwin Alicea	2B	Florida State
1989	Jeff Monson	1B	Minnesota
1990	Oscar Munoz	P	Miami
1991	Brent Gates	SS	Minnesota
1992	Jason Marshall	SS	Texas A&M
1993	Jay Payton	OF	Georgia Tech
1994	Mark Merila	2B	Minnesota
1995	Brian Simmons	OF	Michigan
1996	Scott Schroeffel	OF	Tennessee

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

KSGS-AM 950 radio will broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder Ryan Lefebvre will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons. Former Minnesota Twin Gene Larkin and back-up play-by-play announcer Paul Barnes will assist with select Golden Gopher games.



GYMNASTICS

Men's Gymnasts Face No. 3 Nebraska Saturday:

The Minnesota men's gymnastics team competes in their final dual meet of the season Saturday when they play host to third-ranked Nebraska. The meet will run in conjunction with the women's meet and both meets start at 7 p.m. at the Sports Pavilion.

Big Ten Championships set for March 30-31: The defending Big Ten champion Golden Gophers will travel to Columbus, Ohio, to defend their title March 30-31. They will be seeking Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger's 12th Big Ten title in 25 years.

Gophers rank fifth in NCAA statistical rankings:

The Golden Gopher men's gymnastics team ranks fifth in the NCAA statistical rankings as of February 26. Minnesota has a team total NCAA average of 224.6750. In individual events, the Gophers rank fifth on the floor (38.000); 13th on the pommel horse (36.550); second on the rings (38.350); fourth on the vault (37.1750); 11th on the parallel bars (37.150); and sixth on the horizontal bar (38.050).

National Rankings — TEAM TOTALS — By NCAA Average:

1. Ohio State	228.3875
2. Iowa	227.3625
3. Nebraska	225.6875
4. Penn State	224.9250
5. Minnesota	224.6750
6. New Mexico	224.5000
7. Stanford	223.4250
8. Oklahoma	223.1000
9. Massachusetts	222.7250
10. BYU	222.5250

Weaver Sets School Record on Horizontal Bar:

Senior captain **Andrew Weaver** (Albuquerque, N.M.) tied a school record with a 9.90 on the horizontal bar in a dual meet vs. Michigan on Feb. 18. Weaver tied the record shared by Brian Meeker, Collin Godkin and Jay Caputo. Weaver is currently ranked second in the country on the horizontal bar with an NCAA average score of 9.825.

Ticknor 17th All-Arounder in the Country: Junior **Frank Ticknor** (Milwaukee, Wis.) is the Golden Gophers' top all-arounder in the country ranking 17th. Ticknor's NCAA average score is currently 55.6250 and has been rising since recover-

ing from breaking a finger earlier in the season. A plethora of other Gophers are ranked among the leaders in individual events.

Junior Trio Ranked Among the Best:

Junior **Chris Harrington** (Brookfield, Wis.) is ranked in the top five in all the events in which he competes. Harrington ranks third on the floor exercise (9.800), fifth on the still rings (9.775) and fourth on the vault (9.600). Junior **Heath Wall** (Sterling Heights, Mich.) is ranked 11th on the rings (9.675) and seventh on the parallel bars (9.600). Junior **Ryan Carns** (Grafton, Wis.) is ranked 13th in the nation on the parallel bars at 9.500.



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: Three Golden Gopher athletes will travel to Indianapolis, Ind., for the Olympic Trials. Minnesota swimmers **Martin Zielinski** (Fr., Bloomington, Minn.) and **Derek Williams** (Sr., Lansdale, Pa.) will compete in the 100 butterfly on Sunday, March 10, while former Golden Gopher swimmer **Paul Domer** will compete in the 100 breaststroke on Wednesday, March 2. In 1995, Williams had the third fastest time for an American in the 100 meter butterfly (54.14) and Domer was the Big Ten champion in the 200 breaststroke in 1995.

1995-96 Minnesota Swimming and Diving Schedule

November 4	Quad Duals Madison, Wis.	Wisconsin Michigan Michigan State	W 146-96 L 88-155 W 168-71
November 11	Northwestern North Carolina		W 223-77 W 180-120
November 17-19	Minnesota Inv.		
			1. Minn. 1160; 2. Geo. 931; 3. Wis. 543; 4. Iowa St. 525; 5. Fla. St. 448; 6. St. Olaf 130; 7. North Dakota 65.
December 10-24	Winter Training Trip- Sacred Heart College		W 218-44
January 6	Gold Country Invitational		
			1. Minn., 1365; 2. St. Olaf, 341; 3. Mankato St. 268; 4. Gustavus, 235; 5. St. Cloud St., 147.5; 6. St. Thomas, 130; 7. Carleton, 126; 8. St. Mary's, 94; 9. Macalaster, 25.
January 13	Kansas Nebraska		W 139-104 W 145-98
January 19-20	Quad Duals: Purdue Notre Dame Southern Illinois		W, 256-112 W, 304-67 W 296-70
February 2-3	All Comers Open	No Team Scores	
February 15-17	Big Ten Championships	First Place	
			1. Minn. 620.5; 2. Mich. 545.5; 3. Ohio St. 427; 4. Indiana 414; 5. Iowa 352; 6. Purdue 286.5; 7. Northwestern 258; 8. Penn State 229. 9. Mich. St. 216; 10. Wisconsin 207.5
February 25	Go-Pher-It	No Team Scores	
March 6-12	Olympic Trials		
March 15-16	NCAA Diving Zone Qualifying		
March 28-30	NCAA Championships		
	Home events in BOLD		



TENNIS

No. 23 Golden Gophers to Host Purdue and Illinois:

The Golden Gophers' next home match will be on Fri., Mar. 22, when Purdue comes to the 98th Street Racquet Club. The Boilermakers will be followed to town by Illinois, who will challenge the Maroon and Gold on Saturday, also at 98th Street. The Purdue match is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m., with the Illinois match beginning at 4 p.m.

Sun Devils Beat Golden Gophers in Tempe:

Minnesota lost to Arizona State 6-1 in their first of two duals at the Penn National Collegiate Invitational at the Whiteman Tennis Center in Tempe, Ariz., this past weekend. The Sun Devils won five of six singles matches and the doubles point to beat the Maroon and Gold. The Golden Gophers lone singles victory came from **Martin Kristoffersen (no. 5, Portsgrunn, Norway)**.

Gopherd Defeat Toreros at ASU Invitational:

Minnesota beat the University of San Diego 4-3 in their second dual. Minnesota won three of six singles matches and the doubles point to defeat San Diego. Gopher junior **Lars Hjarrand (no. 1, Olso, Norway)**, senior **Erik Donley (no. 4, Duluth, Minn.)**, and freshman **Martin Kristoffersen (no. 5, Portsgrunn, Norway)** all posted victories.

Saturday, March 2, 1996

ARIZONA STATE 6, MINNESOTA 1

Singles:

Oscar Bustos (ASU) def. Lars Hjarrand (MN) 6-4,6-1
Tsolak Gerorkian (ASU) def. Ben Gabler (MN) 6-1,6-3
Sergio Elias (ASU) def. Erik Donley (MN) 6-1,6-3
Paul Reber (ASU) def. Tom Chicoine (MN) 3-6,6-2,7-6(3)
David Crichley (ASU) def. Adam Selkirk (MN) 6-4,6-3
Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Wolf von Lindenau (ASU) 3-6,6-3,6-0

Doubles:

Elias/Reber (ASU) def. Hjarrand/Donley (MN) 8-2
Bustos/Gevorkian (ASU) def. Gabler/Cheregi (MN) 8-4
Crichley/von Lindenau (ASU) def. Chicoine/Kristoffersen (MN) 8-4

Sunday, March 3, 1996

MINNESOTA 4, SAN DIEGO 3

Singles:

Lars Hjarrand (MN) def. Emmanuel Udozorh (USD) 6-2,6-7,6-0
Jack Whigam (USD) def. Ben Gabler (MN) 6-2,6-3
Ola Lindblom (USD) def. Tom Chicoine (MN) 7-6,2-6,7-5
Erik Donley (MN) def. Peter Webb (USD) 6-3,6-3
J.P. LaBerrie (USD) def. Adam Selkirk (MN) 6-2,1-6,6-4
Martin Kristoffersen (MN) def. Justin Schmidt (USD) 6-1,6-0

Doubles:

Hjarrand/Donley (MN) def. Udozorh/Tim Trubenbach (USD) 8-4
Whigam/Lindblom (USD) def. Kristoffersen/Cheregi (MN) 9-8
Gabler/Selkirk (MN) def. LaBerrie/Schmidt (USD) 8-6



TRACK & FIELD

Four Gophers Travel to Indianapolis for NCAA Indoor: Four members of Minnesota's men's track and field team could qualify for this weekend's NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championship, to be held at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis, Ind., Fri. March 8 and Sat., March 9.

Sophomore **Tyler McCormick (High Jump, White Bear Lake, Minn.)**, freshman **Vesa Rantanen (Pole Vault, Virrat, Finland)** and seniors **Chris Darkins (55m, Houston, Texas)** and **Paul Michalek (Mile, Bloomington, Minn.)** will compete in Indianapolis. Michalek is the only one of these athletes with prior NCAA Track & Field Championships, and Rantanen will be the only freshman in the pole vault field.

Schedule of Events: An abbreviated NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships schedule follows. Only events involving Minnesota athletes are indicated.

Friday, March 8

12:45 p.m. 55m DashPreliminaries
3:45 p.m. 55m DashSemifinals
4:20 p.m. Mile.....Preliminaries
5:40 p.m. High Jump.....Prelims/Finals

Saturday, March 9

4:30 p.m. Pole VaultPrelims/Finals
6:10 p.m. Mile.....Finals
7:15 p.m. 55m DashFinals
All Times Are Central

Meet Results: Results of the 1996 NCAA Indoor Track and Field Championships will be provided by Sportscast Productions. Brief reports with up-to-the-minute information will be available at no cost other than that of a long-distance phone call by dialing one of the following numbers:

317-636-1567
317-636-1568
317-636-1801

This service will be available during the following days and times:

Friday, March 8, 10 a.m.-10:30 p.m.
Saturday, March 9, Noon-10:30 p.m.

This service is for media use only. DO NOT release these numbers to the public.



WRESTLING

Big Ten Championships This Weekend: Minnesota will travel to East Lansing, Mich., this weekend to compete in the Big Ten Wrestling Championships. Last year, the Gophers finished third with 83 points.

NCAA Qualifying Procedure: As the dominant conference in collegiate wrestling, the Big Ten Conference tournament will produce a full 20 percent of the NCAA field. The top-six finishers in each weight class, plus six at-large selections (66 total) will qualify to compete at Target Center, March 21-23. The Big Eight Conference tournament will produce the second-highest number of NCAA qualifiers with 36.

Dodd, Marr Win Wrestle-Offs: The chance to compete at the Big Ten Championships was up for grabs in two weight classes last week, and freshmen won both wrestle-offs. At 134, **Troy Marr (Wyoming, Minn.)** defeated junior **Nick Antila (Robbinsdale, Minn.)** and **Josh Dodd (Northwood, Iowa)** defeated sophomore **Jeremy Goeden (Grand Rapids, Minn.)** at 190. Goeden placed fourth at the Big Ten Championships at 190 as a freshman in 1995.

Schedule of Events: The Big Ten tournament will be divided into three sessions. Initial weigh-ins will take place on Friday afternoon (2-4 p.m.). Wrestling will begin at 11 a.m. on Saturday with preliminaries and quarterfinals. Semifinal rounds and wrestlebacks will begin at 6:30 p.m. Saturday. Third and fifth-place matches and Championship matches will occur during the noon session on Sunday.

Gopher Lineup for Big Ten Wrestling

Championships: Six freshmen will represent the Maroon and Gold this weekend in East Lansing. Sophomore **Jason Davids (Forest Lake, Minn.)** and senior **Billy Pierce (Minneapolis, Minn.)** are the only Gophers competing in this year's tournament who placed at the Big Ten in 1995. Davids finished fifth at 134, while Pierce was the Big Ten runner-up at heavyweight.

Wt.	Name	O'All	Total	Dual	Big Ten
118	Kipp Williamson		12-9	2-4	1-3
126	Pat Connors		15-16	8-12	2-4
134	Troy Marr	18-7	-	-	-
	142		17-7	4-2	-
	150		1-0	1-0	-
142	Jason Davids	27-3	26-3	16-2	6-1
	150		1-0	1-0	-
150	Chad Kraft	23-7	21-7	13-5	4-3
	158		1-0	1-0	-
	190		1-0	1-0	-
158	Josh Holiday	22-14	10-8	4-8	1-5
	167		12-5	-	-
167	Gerald Carr	25-4	24-3	17-2	6-1
	177		4-1	1-0	-
177	Tim Hartung	20-13	19-13	11-8	2-5
	190		0-1	0-1	-
190	Josh Dodd	11-14	8-8	0-3	-
	HWT		3-6	3-6	0-4
	HWT Billy Pierce		21-2	9-1	1-0

O'All: Wrestler's record in all weight classes during in the 1995-96 season. Only listed if the athlete wrestled in more than won weight class during the dual meet season.

Total: Wrestler's full-season record for 1995-96 in the specified weight class

Dual: Dual match record at listed weight class

Big Ten: Record vs. Big Ten Dual Meet Opponents

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball
 Game Results for Minnesota (as of Mar 04, 1996)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend Time
Feb 16, 1996	at Florida State	7-9 L	7	12	3/	9	11	2	9	0- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	Dobis (L 0-1)	992 2:35
Feb 17, 1996	at Florida State	11-23 L	11	13	4/23	26	4	9	9	0- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	Westfall (L 0-1)	1864 3:30
Feb 18, 1996	at Florida State	2-8 L	2	5	0/	8	8	0	9	0- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Kearin (L 0-1)	2544 2:50
Feb 23, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	W 12-11	12	17	5/11	12	2	(10)	9	1- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Diebolt (W 1-0)	733 3:40
Feb 24, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	W 7-5	7	12	1/	5	12	2	9	2- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Pederson (W 1-0)	780 3:01
Feb 25, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	2-4 L	2	9	1/	4	11	1	9	2- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	Freeman (L 0-1)	975 2:40
Mar 1, 1996	Connecticut Huskies	6-8 L	6	11	0/	8	16	1	9	2- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	Dobis (L 0-2)	1448 3:03
Mar 2, 1996	Tennessee Volunteers	4-8 L	4	12	1/	8	14	0	9	2- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	Pederson (L 1-1)	3147 3:16
Mar. 3, 1996	North Carolina St.	6-10 L	6	3	4/10	14	0	9	9	2- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	Diebolt (L 1-1)	1446 3:07

* Big Ten game
 () extra inning game

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Mar 04, 1996)
 (All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Name	C	PO	A	E	FLD%	DPs	SBA	CSB	SBA%	PB	CI
Horton.....	53	53	0	0	1.000	6	0	0	---	0	0
McDermott.....	35	33	2	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Griffin.....	9	8	1	0	1.000	1	0	0	---	0	0
Diebolt.....	4	1	3	0	1.000	0	4	3	.571	0	0
Westfall.....	3	0	3	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
Kearin.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	1	1	.500	0	0
Skovran.....	1	1	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	1	0
Pautz.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Zrust.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Pederson.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	2	1	.667	0	0
Guse.....	65	58	5	2	.969	0	12	4	.750	3	0
Welter.....	54	18	34	2	.963	6	0	0	---	0	0
Stein.....	27	24	2	1	.963	0	0	0	---	0	0
Quinlan.....	25	9	14	2	.920	1	0	0	---	0	0
Mahady.....	11	9	1	1	.909	0	0	0	---	0	0
Keeney.....	11	10	0	1	.909	0	0	0	---	0	0
Huls.....	43	6	33	4	.907	5	0	0	---	0	0
Felling.....	6	2	2	2	.667	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
Selander.....	3	2	0	1	.667	0	0	0	---	0	0
Dobis.....	4	0	2	2	.500	0	3	0	1.000	0	0
Freeman.....	2	0	1	1	.500	0	0	0	---	0	0
Groebner.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Beers.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals.....	360	234	107	19	.947	7	12	6	.667	4	0
Opponents.....	377	246	119	12	.968	10	7	3	.700	2	1

Hitting minimums - 1 Games 1 AB 1 TPA
 Pitching minimums - 1 Games 1 IP 1 BF

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Mar 04, 1996)
 (All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 2-7-0 Home 0-3-0 Away: 2-4-0

Name	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Guse.....	.371	9-9	35	8	13	1	1	0	7	16	.457	7	1	1	0	.488	0	0	1-2	58	5	2	.969
Huls.....	.361	9-9	36	7	13	5	0	0	6	18	.500	6	0	9	0	.452	0	1	0-1	6	33	4	.907
Keeney.....	.351	9-9	37	10	13	1	0	0	4	14	.378	8	0	7	1	.467	0	0	2-2	10	0	1	.909
McDermott.....	.343	9-9	35	5	12	5	0	0	6	17	.486	5	4	6	3	.477	0	0	0-0	33	2	0	1.000
Quinlan.....	.308	9-9	39	5	12	0	1	0	8	14	.359	1	1	7	1	.341	0	0	1-2	9	14	2	.920
Griffin.....	.286	4-0	7	3	2	0	0	0	0	2	.286	2	1	1	1	.500	0	0	0-0	8	1	0	1.000
Selander.....	.273	6-3	11	0	3	0	0	0	4	3	.273	1	0	2	0	.333	0	2	0-0	2	0	1	.667
Welter.....	.257	9-9	35	8	9	1	0	0	6	10	.286	6	1	5	1	.381	0	0	0-0	18	34	2	.963
Stein.....	.216	9-9	37	4	8	2	0	0	6	10	.270	6	1	6	0	.341	0	0	0-0	24	2	1	.963
Mahady.....	.208	8-6	24	4	5	1	0	0	1	6	.250	4	0	3	1	.321	0	0	2-2	9	1	1	.909
Horton.....	.167	7-6	18	1	3	0	0	0	1	3	.167	2	0	6	1	.250	0	1	1-1	53	0	0	1.000
Beers.....	.091	3-3	11	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	.182	1	0	3	1	.167	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Skovran.....	.000	1-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	1	0	0	1.000
--- Others ---																							
Groebner.....	.000	1-0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Totals.....	.288	9-9	326	57	94	17	2	0	49	115	.353	50	9	57	10	.397	0	4	7-10	234	107	19	.947
Opponents.....	.359	9-9	345	86	124	32	5	12	72	202	.586	36	7	59	7	.428	2	8	12-18	246	119	12	.968


LOB - Team (87), Opp (78). DPs turned - Team (7), Opp (10). CI - Team (0), Opp (1). IBB - Team (1), Welter 1, Opp (3). Picked off - Huls 1, Stein 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Name	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Zrust.....	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	4.2	8	4	0	0	2	3	0	0	23	.348	1	0	0	0	0
Pautz.....	0.00	0-0	2	0	0	0/0	0	1.2	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	10	.286	0	1	0	0	1
Felling.....	1.08	0-0	5	0	0	0/0	1	8.1	8	2	1	3	6	2	0	0	37	.258	0	1	0	0	2
Pederson.....	4.50	1-1	3	2	0	0/0	0	18.0	21	13	9	11	17	4	0	1	83	.300	1	2	0	0	0
Diebolt.....	8.53	1-1	4	1	0	0/0	0	12.2	22	14	12	5	12	7	1	1	64	.393	3	0	1	0	3
Kearin.....	9.00	0-1	3	1	0	0/0	1	3.0	2	3	3	7	0	0	0	0	16	.250	0	0	0	1	0
Dobis.....	9.69	0-2	3	3	0	0/0	0	13.0	23	20	14	1	6	5	0	5	66	.365	4	1	0	0	1
Westfall.....	11.57	0-1	4	1	0	0/0	0	11.2	22	17	15	6	12	5	1	3	65	.386	1	0	1	1	1
Freeman.....	21.60	0-1	2	1	0	0/0	0	5.0	16	12	12	2	3	6	3	2	34	.533	1	2	0	0	0
Totals.....	7.62	2-7	9	9	0	0/0	2	78.0	124	86	66	36	59	32	5	12	398	.359	11	7	2	2	8
Opponents.....	5.05	7-2	9	9	0	0/0	4	82.0	94	57	46	50	57	17	2	0	390	.288	10	9	2	0	4

PB - Team (4), Guse 3, Skovran 1, Opp (2). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - Guse (12-16), Diebolt (4-7), Dobis (3-3), Pederson (2-3), Felling (2-2), Kearin (1-2), Westfall (0-1).

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FORMER GOLDEN GOPHER SWIMMER COMPETES AT OLYMPIC TRIALS

Former University of Minnesota swimmer Paul Domer placed sixth in his heat and 32nd overall in the preliminaries of the 100-meter breaststroke at the 1996 United States Olympic Team Trials Wednesday in Indianapolis, Ind.

Domer touched the wall at 1:06.83 behind the prelim best of 1:02.12 turned in by Kurt Grote of Stanford. He will not advance to the finals competition.

Domer completed his eligibility for the Golden Gophers last season and capped his senior year earning a Big Ten championship in the 200 breaststroke and first-team All-America honors in the same event.

Minnesota swimmers and members of the 1996 Big Ten champions Martin Zielinski and Derek Williams are also participating in the Olympic trials as the two will be in the pool Sunday, March 10, competing in the 100 butterfly.


Prelim Results

100-meter breaststroke: 1. Kurt Grote, Stanford, 1:02.12. 2. Seth vanNeerden, Fort Lauderdale, 1:02.52. 3. Eric Wunderlich, Club Wolverine, 1:02.66. 4. Steve West, Irvine Novas, 1:02.78. 5. Jeremy Linn, Tennessee, 1:02.82. 6. Tyler Mayfield, Stanford, 1:03.11. 7. Judson Crawford, Team Shaklee, 1:03.37. 8. Leif Engstrom-Heg, Fort Lauderdale, 1:03.64. 9. Christian Bahr, SMU/Bolles, 1:03.80. 10. Travis Myers, Fort Lauderdale, 1:04.09.

Others:

32. Paul Domer, Minnesota, 1:06.83.

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1996 UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA BASEBALL COACHES CLINIC TO BE HELD THIS SATURDAY

The University of Minnesota Baseball Coaches Clinic will be held this Saturday, March 9, from 8 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. at the University of Minnesota football/baseball indoor practice facility.

Speakers will include Golden Gopher Head Baseball Coach John Anderson, assistant coach Rob Fornasiere, pitching coach Mike Dee, sports psychologist Rick Aberman, retired UCLA Head Baseball Coach Art Reichle and high school coach Mark Fuller.

Cost for the clinic is \$15 for pre-registration participants or \$20 the day of the clinic. For more information call the University of Minnesota Baseball Office at (612) 625-1060.

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TRIMONT GOLFER ANNOUNCES HE WILL ATTEND U OF M

Justin Royer of Trimont and Martin County West High School, a two-time all-state selection and the runner-up for the 1995 Minnesota State High School Class A crown will attend the University of Minnesota and the Carlson School of Management and compete in golf for the Golden Gophers.



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March 8, 1996

GOLDEN GOPHERS HONORED ON WINTER ACADEMIC ALL-BIG TEN TEAMS

A total of 17 University of Minnesota men's student-athletes have been named to the 1996 Winter Academic All-Big Ten Team.

Head Coach Dennis Dale's Big Ten champion swimming and diving team had 11 student-athletes honored. Two members from Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger's men's gymnastics team, two members from Head Coach Clem Haskins' basketball team and two members from Head Coach J Robinson's wrestling teams were honored. This is the fourth time David Grim has earned the honor while Kenji Sudoh and Bernie Zeruhn were both honored for the third time. Isaac Bjorklund, Matt Schlessman, Trevor Winter and Chris Harrington are all two-time selections.

The complete listing of U of M student-athletes honored follows:

Sport	Name	Yr	GPA	Major	Hometown
Basketball	David Grim	Sr	3.14	Forest Products Mark.	Massillon, Ohio
Basketball	Trevor Winter	Jr	3.26	Management	Slayton, Minn.
Gymnastics	Chris Harrington	Jr	3.03	Civil Engineering	Brookfield, Wis.
Gymnastics	Heath Wall	Jr	3.21	Kinesiology	Sterling Heights, Mich.
Swimming	Ty Bathurst	So	3.14	Pre-Kinesiology	Albuquerque, N.M.
Swimming	Mike Bauman	So	3.13	Elect. Eng.	Prior Lake, Minn.
Swimming	Isaac Bjorklund	Jr	3.31	Pre-medicine	New Brighton, Minn.
Swimming	P.J. Bogart	Sr	3.00	Child Psych.	Mesa, Ariz.
Swimming	Cubby Campbell	Fr	3.83	Pre-Medicine/French	Minneapolis, Minn.
Swimming	Adam Duey	So	3.93	Management	Beaverton, Ore.
Swimming	Matt Dunkel	Jr	3.51	Management	Maplewood, Minn.
Swimming	Jay Epping	Jr	3.06	Pre-Vet Science	Coon Rapids, Minn.
Swimming	Matt Schlessman	Jr	3.76	Mech. Eng.	Avon, Ohio
Swimming	Kenji Sudoh	Sr	3.25	Pre-medicine	Maplewood, Minn.
Swimming	Bernie Zeruhn	Sr	3.93	Management	Hamburg, Germany
Wrestling	Josh Dodd	So	3.00	Pre-Kinesiology	Northwood, Iowa
Wrestling	Chad Kraft	So	3.06	Pre-Kinesiology	Lakefield, Minn.

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NCAA Indoor Track & Field Championships

MEN'S

In the prelims of the 55 meter dash, Chris Darkins finished in 7th place in a time of 6.35, but did not advance to the semis.

In the prelims of the mile run, Paul Michalek finished in 7th place in a time of 4:06.42, but did not advance to the finals.

In the finals of the high jump, Tyler McCormick finished in a 3 way tie for 12th place with a jump of 6'-10 1/4".

WOMEN'S

In the finals of the 5,000 meter run, Lori Townsend finished in 11th place in a time of 16:40.27.

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TO: Media Agencies Covering Golden Gopher Basketball

FROM: Marc Ryan, Director of Media Relations

RE: NCAA Tournament Selection Show


DATE: March 9, 1996

Media representatives are invited to join University of Minnesota Men's Basketball Coach Clem Haskins, his staff, and players for the NCAA Tournament Selection Show at 4:30 p.m. Sunday in the Williams Arena Club Room, located on the third floor of the east end of the arena.

The live telecast of the 64-team field on CBS will begin promptly at 5:30 p.m. Complimentary parking will be available on the south tarmac of Williams Arena.

Media Note: Since the week of March 11th is final exams week, this will be the **ONLY** time that Golden Gopher players will be available for interviews prior to departing for post-season play.

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The Gopher mascot is a cartoon gopher wearing a dark sweater with white stripes on the sleeves and a white scarf. It is holding a large letter 'M' in its paws. The mascot is positioned behind the word 'SPORTS' in the 'SPORTS NEWS' title.

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GOLDEN GOPHER SWIMMER PLACES AT OLYMPIC TRIALS

University of Minnesota swimmer Derek Williams placed in a tie for tenth overall in the 100-meter butterfly Sunday at the Olympic Team Trials in Indianapolis, Ind. The senior from Lansdale, Pa., swam a time of 54.56 in the prelims while touching the wall at 54.80 in the finals.

Martin Zielinski, another member of the 1996 Big Ten Swimming and Diving champions, finished 31st in the prelims and did not qualify for the finals. The freshman from Bloomington, Minn., swam a time of 55.83.

Prelim Results

100-meter butterfly: 1. Byron Davis, Unat.-Co., 53.37; 2. Kurt Jachimowski, Auburn, 53.73; 3. John Hargis, Auburn, 53.73; 4. Mark Henderson, Curl-Burke, 53.80; 5. Matt Beck, Texas/Long Island, 53.95; 6. Jason Lancaster, Michigan, 54.01; 7. Mel Stewart, Tennessee, 54.02; 7. Bill Weaver, Fort Lauderdale, 54.02; 9. Joey Rossetti, Santa Rosa, 54.10; 10. Jon Olsen, Unat.-Co., 54.33.

Others:

14. Derek Williams, Minnesota, 54.56; 31. Martin Zielinski, Minnesota, 55.83.

Finals Results

Championship Final

100-meter butterfly: 1. John Hargis, Auburn, 53.42; 2. Mark Henderson, Curl-Burke, 53.51; 3. Jason Lancaster, Michigan, 53.73; 4. Byron Davis, Unat.-Co., 53.84; 5. Mel Stewart, Tennessee AQ, 54.04; 6. Kurt Jachimowski, Auburn, 54.15; 7. Matt Beck, Texas, 54.22; 8. Bill Weaver, Fort Lauderdale, 54.29.

Consolation Final

100-meter butterfly: 9. Joey Rossetti, Santa Rosa, 54.65; 10. Seth Pepper, Hillenbrand, 54.80; 10. Derek Williams, Minnesota, 54.80; 12. Jarod Schroeder, NIU Swim Club, 54.81; 13. Ron Orris, Texas Aquatics, 54.94; 14. Matthew Pierce, The Woodlands, 55.04; 15. Randy Hartley, Auburn, 55.20; 16. Martin Pepper, Arizona, 55.33.

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GOPHER HOTLINE

The Golden Gopher Hotline features daily interviews with players and coaches. It is available to the media 24 hours a day by calling (612) 625-7887. The Hotline is broadcast quality and is changed by noon each day. This service is for media use only. The schedule for this week is as follows:

TUESDAY, MARCH 12

Associate Head Basketball Coach **Milton Barnes** with a scouting report of St. Louis

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

Senior All-American diver **P.J. Bogart**

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

Head Basketball Coach **Clem Haskins** with post-game comments following Wednesday's game vs. Saint Louis

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Head Diving Coach **Doug Schaffer**

For Immediate Release: March 11, 1996

THIS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

Basketball vs. St. Louis
National Invitation Tournament
Williams Arena
6:30 p.m., WCCO-AM (850), ESPN

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Diving at NCAA Championships
Billingsley Diving Center
Bloomington, Ind., All Day

SUNDAY, MARCH 17

Wrestling Youth Education through Sports Clinic
Gibson-Nagurski Football Complex
11:30 a.m.-3 p.m.

GOPHERS ONLINE

The University of Minnesota Men's Athletic Department is now on the Internet. The World Wide Web site contains **press releases**, statistics, rosters, schedules and much **more** information. The Web pages can be accessed at:

<http://www.umn.edu/mica/>

Information on every Big Ten school and the conference is also available via computer internet. The Big Ten's home page on ESPNET SportsZone will be available at the following address:

<http://espnnet.sportszone.com>.





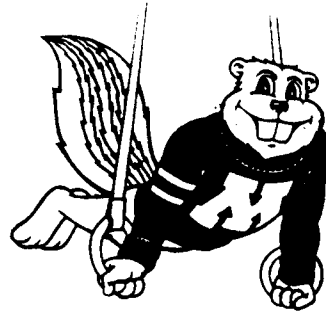
BASEBALL

This Week: Minnesota will have the week off in preparation of its spring trip to Louisiana where the Golden Gophers will take on Tulsa, March 19-20, New Orleans, March 21, and S.E. Louisiana, March 22-24.

Last Week: The Golden Gophers won four games with wins over Iowa State (15-2) on Wednesday and a series sweep over Western Michigan (5-3, 4-3, 7-0) last weekend. Minnesota is now one game under .500 at 6-7. In the weekend series, Minnesota pitchers struck out 34 Western Michigan batters with each starter going at least seven innings and striking out eight. **Justin Pederson (Jr., Chippewa Falls, Wis.)** picked up the win Friday going eight innings and striking out a career-high 13 Broncos. On Saturday, **Mike Diebolt (Jr., Mayfield Villiage, Ohio)** went seven innings striking out nine and on Sunday, freshman **Brad Pautz (Reedsville, Wis.)** struck out eight in eight innings, allowing only two hits and no runs.

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

KSGS-AM 950 radio will broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder **Ryan Lefebvre** will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons. Former Minnesota Twin **Gene Larkin** and back-up play-by-play announcer **Paul Barnes** will assist with select Golden Gopher games.



GYMNASTICS

Big Ten Championships Set For March 30-31: The defending Big Ten champion Golden Gophers will travel to Columbus, Ohio to defend their title March 30-31. They will be seeking Head Coach **Fred Roethlisberger's** 12th Big Ten title in 25 years.

Cornhuskers edge Minnesota In Last Duel Meet: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team lost a dual meet with Nebraska 225.925-224.175 at the Sports Pavilion Saturday. The Golden Gophers record drops to 3-3 on the year.

Minnesota was led by junior **Frank Ticknor (Milwaukee, Wis.)**, who won the all-around with a score of 56.125 points. Junior **Chris Harrington (Brookfield, Wis.)** won the floor exercise with a 9.80.

All-Around:

1. Frank Ticknor, Minn. - 56.125; 2. Jason Christie, Neb. - 56.05; 3. Bill Mulholland, Neb. - 55.20

Floor Exercise:

1. Chris Harrington, Minn. - 9.80; 2. Don Kinison, Neb. - 9.65; 3. Frank Ticknor, Minn. - 9.60

Pommel Horse:

1. Ryan McEwen, Neb. - 9.75; 2. Marshall Nelson, Neb. - 9.70; 3. Jason Christie, Neb - 9.55

Rings:

1. Ted Harris, Neb. - 9.825; 2. Ticknor, Minn. - 9.775; 3. Harrington, Minn. - 9.70

Vault:

1. Jim Koziol, Neb. - 9.30; 1. Christie, Neb. - 9.30; 3. Bill Mulholland, Neb. - 9.25

Parallel Bars:

1. Ryan McEwen, Neb. - 9.55; 1. Bill Mulholland, Neb. - 9.55; 3. Koziol, Neb. - 9.50; 3. Christie, Neb. - 9.50

Horizontal Bar:

1. McEwen, Neb. - 9.75; 2. Andrew Weaver, Minn. - 9.60; 3. Heath Wall, Minn. - 9.55; 3. Mulholland, Neb. - 9.55

1996 Season Best Team Scores:

Team Score	225.800	(vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Floor Exercise	38.200	(vs. Nebraska 3/9)
Pommel Horse	37.100	(vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Still Rings	38.575	(vs. Nebraska 3/9)
Vault	37.250	(at Michigan 2/18)
Parallel Bars	37.400	(vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Horiz. Bar	38.350	(vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)

1996 Season Best Individual Scores

Floor Exercise	9.85	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16)
Pommel Horse	9.45	Ryan Carns (vs. Iowa 2/10)
Still Rings	9.80	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16)
Vault	9.60	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16) Chris Harrington (@ Michigan 2/18)
Parallel Bars	9.60	Heath Wall (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Horizontal Bar	9.90	Andrew Weaver (@ Michigan 2/18)
All-Around	56.125	Frank Ticknor (vs. Nebraska 3/9)



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: Three Golden Gopher athletes will travel to Bloomington, Ind., for the NCAA Zone C Qualifying championships Friday, March 15, and Saturday, March 16 at the Billingsley Diving Center. P.J. Bogart (Sr., Mesa, Az.), Isaac Bjorklund (Jr., New Brighton, Minn.) and Matthew Ninneman (So, Madison, Wis.) have each earned qualifying standards and will compete for the opportunity to advance to the NCAA's March 28-30 in Austin, Texas. Competition will begin at 11 a.m. both days with 3-meter springboard competition on Friday and 1-meter and platform diving on Saturday.

Last Week: Three Golden Gopher athletes competed at the Olympic Team Trials in Indianapolis, Ind. Former swimmer Paul Domer placed sixth in his heat and 32nd overall in the preliminaries of the 100-meter breaststroke and did not advance to finals competition. Derek Williams placed in a tie for tenth overall in the 100-meter butterfly. The senior from Lansdale, Pa., swam a time of 54.56 in the prelims while touching the wall at 54.80 in the finals. Martin Zielinski finished 31st in the prelims and did not qualify for the finals. The freshman from Bloomington, Minn., swam a time of 55.83.



TRACK & FIELD

Track and Field Takes Week Off: Minnesota's track and field team has completed their indoor schedule and will take this weekend off before heading to Tuscaloosa for the Alabama Relays on March 22-24.

Four Gophers Run in Indianapolis: Four Golden Gophers qualified for the NCAA Championships in Indianapolis, Ind., Mar. 8-9. Senior Chris Darkins (Houston, Texas) finished seventh in his preliminary heat of the 55m Dash with a time of 6.35. Darkins tied for the last spot in the semifinals, but was denied the opportunity to advance to the semifinals.

Senior Paul Michalek (Bloomington, Minn.) also finished seventh in his heat of the mile with a time of 4:06.42, and did not advance to the event final.

In the high jump, sophomore Tyler McCormick (White Bear Lake, Minn.) used a leap of 6-10 1/4 to tie for 12th place.

As the only freshman in the pole vault field, Vesa Rantanen (Virrat, Finland) cleared a height of 16-10 3/4, good for a tie at ninth place.



WRESTLING

NCAA Championships Events Begin Sunday: The Youth Education through Sports Clinic for the 1996 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championship will kick off the schedule of events for the 1996 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships. The clinic will take place at the Gibson-Nagurski Football Complex Sun., Mar. 17, 1996, from 11:30 a.m. to 2:55 p.m.. The clinic also includes Parents' Sessions which will address relevant topics such as training and conditioning for athletes.

University of Minnesota Head Wrestling Coach J Robinson and Nebraska coach Tim Neumann top the list of coaches scheduled to participate in the YES Clinic for the 1996 NCAA Division I Wrestling Championship. The entire U of M coaching staff will be involved, including Minnesota's 1991 NCAA champion at 177 pounds, Marty Morgan.

YES Coaches: J Robinson, Dave Grant, Marty Morgan, Mark Schwab, University of Minnesota; Carl Adams, Boston University; Paul Cotton, Howard Univ.; Russ Hellickson, Ohio State; Tim Neumann, Nebraska; Joe Wells, Oregon State Univ.; Jesse Reyes, Purdue; Jeff Swenson, Augsburg College; Mark Johnson, Illinois; Greg Lonning, Wisconsin-LaCrosse; R. Wayne Baughman, U.S. Air Force Academy. *NOTE: At least one athlete from each of these institutions will also participate in the clinic.*

Gophers Sixth at Big Tens, Five Qualify for NCAAs: The Gopher wrestling team finished sixth at the Big Ten Wrestling Championships, which concluded on Sunday afternoon in East Lansing, Mich. Iowa won their 23rd consecutive conference championship with a team total of 154.5 points.

Iowa head coach Dan Gable and Michigan State head coach Tom Minkel were named co-coaches of the year. Other awards were presented to Scott Schatzman of Northwestern for Freshman of the Year and Mark Ironside of Iowa and David Morgan of Michigan State for Outstanding Wrestler of the Season and Tournament, respectively.

The Gophers had three athletes in Sunday's finals, but were unable to come away with a Big Ten Champion. Senior heavy-weight Billy Pierce (Minneapolis, Minn.) lost the heavyweight championship when Purdue's Tony Vaughn was able to ride Pierce out through the 30-second second overtime after seven minutes of regulation and two minutes of sudden-death overtime left the score knotted at 1-1. Pierce has qualified for the NCAA Championships, however, and seems to have recovered from a knee injury that kept him out of the majority of the dual meet season.

Sophomore Jason Davids (Forest Lake, Minn.) lost the 142 pound title to Iowa's Bill Zadick on the weight of two stalling calls made by the official. Zadick was awarded a point for

stalling in the third period, and it proved to be the difference for Zadick's 5-4 win.

Davids' performance at the Big Ten Championships will help his seeding in the NCAA Tournament, as he defeated the defending national champion, Penn State's John Hughes, in Saturday's semifinals.

Minnesota's third finalist, junior Gerald Carr (Dublin, Ga.), lost a 12-4 decision to Iowa's Daryl Weber, which is the same result as their previous meeting in January.

In the consolation rounds, sophomore Kipp Williamson (Hayfield, Minn.) finished seventh by pinning Derek Moscovic of Indiana in 5:57. Freshman Chad Kraft (Lakefield, Minn.) defaulted his fifth-place match with Mike Uker of Iowa due to an injury, and freshmen Tim Hartung (177, Durand, Wis.) and Josh Dodd (190, Northwood, Iowa) finished sixth and eighth, respectively.

Pierce, Davids, Carr, Hartung and Kraft will move on to represent the Gophers at the NCAA Championships, Mar. 21-23 at Target Center.

Big Ten Wrestling Championships

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS


1. Iowa, 154.5; 2. Penn State, 92; 3. Michigan State, 81; 4. Illinois, 71.5; 5. Ohio State, 65.5; 6. MINNESOTA, 63.5; 7. Michigan, 57; 8. Wisconsin, 55; 9. Northwestern, 50; 10. Purdue, 45; 11. Indiana, 41.5

GOPHER RESULTS

118: QTRS: Mike Mena, Iowa, dec. Kipp Williamson, Minn., 5-2; CONS: Jason Betz, PSU, pinned Williamson, Minn., 4:25; 7th Place: Williamson, Minn., pinned Derek Moscovic, IU, 5:57
126: 1st Rnd: Jeff McGinness, Iowa, maj. dec. Pat Connors, Minn., 16-1; CONS: Mike Glane, OSU, dec. Connors, Minn., 11-5
134: QTRS: Frank Lacone, Purdue, dec. Troy Marr, Minn., 3-2; CONS: Jed Kramer, MSU, dec. Marr, Minn., 10-5
142: 1st Rnd: Jason Davids, Minn., dec. Steve Haddon, Wis., 16-4; QTRS: Davids, Minn., dec. Phil Judge, MSU, 13-5; SEMIS: Davids, Minn., dec. John Hughes, PSU, 5-3 OT; Championship: Bill Zadick, Iowa, dec. Davids, Minn., 5-4
150: 1st Rnd: Chad Kraft, Minn., dec. Mickey Griffin, Purdue, 3-1; QTRS: Kraft, Minn., dec. Brent Shiver, NU, 5-6 (2OT); SEMIS: Russ Hughes, PSU, dec. Kraft, Minn., 4-2; CONS: Bill Lacure, Mich, pinned Kraft, Minn., 4:24; Fifth Place: Mike Uker, Iowa, inj. def. Kraft, Minn.
158: 1st Rnd: Joe Williams, Iowa, dec. Josh Holiday, Minn., 12-10; CONS: Brooke Hoerr, IU, dec. Holiday, Minn., 10-2
167: QTRS: Gerald Carr, Minn., pinned Will Knight, OSU, 5:43; SEMIS: Carr, Minn., dec. Kevin Wilmot, Wis., 5-2; Championship: Daryl Weber, Iowa, dec. Carr, Minn., 12-4
177: QTRS: Erich Harvey, MSU, dec. Tim Hartung, Minn., 12-3; CONS: Hartung, Minn., pinned James Short, PU, 2:02; CONS: Hartung, Minn., dec. Ryan Edmundson, IU, 14-2; CONS: Curt Heideman, Iowa, dec. Hartung, Minn., 3-1 OT Fifth Place: Jevon Herman, Ill., dec. Hartung, Minn., 7-3
190: QTRS: Brian Picklo, MSU, dec. Josh Dodd, Minn., 6-1; CONS: Dodd, Minn., dec. Ty Roofner, PU, 6-4 OT; CONS: Anthony Gary, OSU, dec. Dodd, Minn., 7-4; Seventh-Place: Aaron Stark, Wis., dec. Dodd, Minn., 8-0
HWT: QTRS: Billy Pierce, Minn., dec. John Degl, Iowa, 4-1; SEMIS: Pierce, Minn., dec. Seth Brady, Ill., 9-4; Championship: Tony Vaughn, Pur., dec. Pierce, 1-1 TB

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The Golden Gopher mascot is positioned behind the word "SPORTS" in the "SPORTS NEWS" title. The mascot is a stylized gopher wearing a dark sweater with white stripes on the sleeves and a white scarf. It has its right arm raised in a fist and is holding a basketball in its left hand. The mascot is smiling and looking towards the viewer.

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THOMAS NAMED GOLDEN GOPHER MEN'S BASKETBALL MVP

Junior center John Thomas was named MVP of the 1995-96 University of Minnesota men's basketball team at the team's awards banquet last night at the Minneapolis, Hilton Hotel.

Thomas, the team's leader on and off the court, has averaged 8.6 points and 6.2 rebounds per game this season. A native of Minneapolis, Thomas has started every game this year and every game but senior day last season. Thomas is ranked ninth in the Big Ten in rebounding with and eighth in blocks with an average of one per game.

The complete list of awards handed out at the team's banquet is as follows:

Most Valuable Player: John Thomas

Senior Players: David Grim, Hosea Crittenden

1995-96 Captains: David Grim, Hosea Crittenden

Best Free Throw Percentage: Sam Jacobson (80.9)

Assists Leader: Eric Harris (105)

Outstanding Academic Achievement Award: Trevor Winter (second year)

Academic Award—Most Improved: Eric Harris

Academic All-Big Ten Team: David Grim, Trevor Winter

Most Improved Player: Charles Thomas

Rebound Leader: Courtney James (212)

Best Defensive Player Award: Bobby Jackson

Hustle Award: Miles Tarver

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GOPHER NIT BASKETBALL TICKETS GO ON SALE TO GENERAL PUBLIC AT 1 P.M. ON TUESDAY

Tickets for the Minnesota/St. Louis first round NIT game at Williams Arena Wednesday night will go on sale Tuesday, March 12, at 1 p.m. at the Golden Gopher Athletics Ticket Office in Mariucci Arena. Tickets are \$19 and \$8 for student season ticket holders and can be purchased over the counter or by phone at (612) 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER. All tickets are for pickup on the day of the game. The ticket office will be open until 8 p.m. tonight and 7 p.m. on Tuesday night.

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THREE GOLDEN GOPHERS HONORED ON ACADEMIC DISTRICT V TEAM

Minnesota athletes Jeff Moen, Dan Trebil and Bernie Zeruhn have been selected to the 10-member GTE CoSIDA Academic All-America District V Fall/Winter At-Large Team. These three athletes will now represent District V on the national ballot.

Moen, a member of the hockey team, picked up a first-round win in goal for the Golden Gophers in WCHA Final Five playoffs over Wisconsin. The senior netminder placed third overall and in the conference in goals against average at 2.67 and 2.70, respectively. He has a 3.46 GPA in management.

Trebil, also a member of the hockey team, has played and started all 40 games for the Golden Gophers. He is fourth on the team in scoring with 44 points on 11 goals and 33 assists and was recently named the WCHA Student-Athlete of the Year. The senior defenseman has a 3.63 GPA in civil engineering.

Zeruhn, a member of the swimming and diving team, helped lead Minnesota to its first Big Ten Swimming and Diving Championship since 1926. The senior won the 200 fly, 500 and 200 free and was a member of the 400 and 800 free relay and 400 medley relay teams. He has a 3.93 GPA in management.

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TARVER DISLOCATES THUMB; OUT FOR THE REST OF THE SEASON

Golden Gopher freshman basketball player Miles Tarver severely dislocated his right thumb in practice yesterday and is out for the remainder of the season. The injured thumb required a surgical reduction last night at the University of Minnesota Hospital and Clinic. Tarver had played in 25 games this year with a 1.1 points per game scoring average. The 6-8, freshman is a native of Oakland, Calif.

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NCAA BASKETBALL MIDWEST REGIONAL TICKETS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CONNECTION

Fans may purchase tickets to next week's NCAA Men's Basketball Midwest Regional at the Metrodome through The Connection beginning at 5 p.m. Friday.

The phone number to order tickets is (612) 948-5455. The Connection is available 24 hours a day.

Upper level two session tickets (each ticket includes two games Thursday, March 21 and one game Saturday, March 23) at \$40 apiece are available.

Upper level single-session tickets at \$20 apiece will go on sale at the Metrodome on Wednesday at 9 a.m.

Tickets can also be purchased through the University of Minnesota Athletics Ticket Sales Office at (612) 624-8080 and 1-800-U-GOPHER.

Game times for the Midwest Regional will be announced on Monday, March 18.



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TICKETS FOR NIT SECOND ROUND GAME VS. TULANE GO ON SALE TO GENERAL PUBLIC TOMMORROW AT NOON

Tickets for the NIT Second Round game at Williams Arena next Monday at 6:30 p.m. will go on sale to the general public at Noon on Friday, March 15 at the University of Minnesota Athletics Ticket Office in Mariucci Arena. The Tulane Green Wave were a consensus pre-season top twenty-five team going into the 1995-96 season. They won the Red Division of Conference USA with a 9-5 record, and will bring their 19-9 overall record into Williams Arena fresh off a 87-73 overtime win over Auburn in Auburn, Ala.

Tickets for the game are \$19 or \$5 for student season ticket holders. Orders can be taken in person at the ticket office or by phone at 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER. The ticket office will be open 9 a.m. -5 p.m. Friday, 9 a.m.- 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, and 9 a.m. until game time on Monday.

NOTE TO MEDIA ON CREDENTIALS: Persons wishing to cover the game must get credential requests into the Men's Media Relations Office (625-4090 or FAX 625-0359) as soon as possible.

PRACTICE SCHEDULE: The Golden Gophers will have today off for final examinations before resuming practice tomorrow at the U of M Sports Pavillion from 1:30-3:30 p.m. The practice will be closed to the media until 3:15 p.m.. Following practice, Coach Haskins and the players will be available for one-on-one interviews.

NOTE: Due to the Girls State High School Tournament, the Golden Gophers' practice will be in the U of M Sports Pavilion tomorrow.



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GOPHER HOTLINE

The Golden Gopher Hotline features daily interviews with players and coaches. It is available to the media 24 hours a day by calling (612) 625-7887. The Hotline is broadcast quality and is changed by noon each day. This service is for media use only. The schedule for this week is as follows:

MONDAY, MARCH 18

Head Wrestling Coach J Robinson

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Golden Gopher Wrestler Jason Davids

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Senior All-American wrestler Billy Pierce

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Gopher Hockey Captain Brian Bonin

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

Head Hockey Coach Doug Woog

THIS WEEK...

TUESDAY, MARCH 19

Baseball at Tulane
Turchin Stadium (3,500)
New Orleans, La.
6:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Tennis at Michigan State
MSU Tennis Facility
East Lansing, Mich., 6 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Baseball at Tulane
6:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Tennis at Michigan
Liberty Sports Complex
Ann Arbor, Mich., 1 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 21

Baseball at New Orleans
Privateer Park (5,225)
New Orleans, La.
6:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Wrestling NCAA Championships
Target Center
11 a.m., 7 p.m. session starts

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Baseball at S.E. Louisiana
Alumni Field (3,000)
Hammond, La.
6:30 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf at Border Olympics
Laredo Country Club
Laredo, Texas, All Day

Tennis vs. Purdue
98th Street Courts, 6:30 p.m.

Track & Field at Alabama Relays
Tuscaloosa, Ala., All Day

Wrestling NCAA Championships
Target Center
11 a.m., 7 p.m. session starts

SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Baseball at S.E. Louisiana
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf at Border Olympics, All Day

Hockey vs. Providence
NCAA Regionals
Munn Ice Arena
East Lansing, Mich.
2 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Tennis vs. Illinois
98th Street Courts, 4 p.m.

Track & Field at Alabama Relays
Tuscaloosa, Ala., All Day

Wrestling NCAA Championships
Target Center
11 a.m., 7 p.m. session starts

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Baseball at S.E. Louisiana
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf at Border Olympics, All Day

Hockey vs. Michigan (*if team wins Saturday*)
NCAA Regionals
1 p.m., KSTP-AM (1500), MSC

Tennis vs. Illinois
98th Street Courts, 4 p.m.

Track & Field at Alabama Relays, All Day



BASEBALL

This Week: Minnesota will travel to Louisiana where the Golden Gophers will take on Tulane, March 19-20, New Orleans, March 21, and S.E. Louisiana, March 22-24.

Radio: KSGS-AM (950) (Ryan Lefebvre play-by-play)

Series vs. Tulane: This will be the 10th and 11th meeting between Minnesota and Tulane with the Golden Gophers holding an 8-1 advantage. The first game in the series was in 1930 with the Maroon and Gold staking a 15-6 win. Minnesota won a pair of games in 1938 (4-1, 11-1), 1940 (7-0, 11-2), and 1941 (4-3, 5-0). The teams split a two-game series in 1939 with Tulane's only win in the all-time series coming by a 11-6 count.

Series vs. New Orleans: The game on Thursday will be the first meeting between the two schools.

Series vs. S.E. Louisiana: The series beginning on Friday will be the first games between the two schools.

Win Streak: The Golden Gophers have won its last four games with wins over Iowa State (15-2) and a series sweep over Western Michigan (5-3, 4-3, 7-0). Minnesota is now one game under .500 at 6-7. In the weekend series, Minnesota pitchers struck out 34 Western Michigan batters with each starter going at least seven innings and striking out eight. **Justin Pederson** (Jr., Chippewa Falls, Wis.) picked up a win going eight innings and striking out a career-high 13 Broncos. **Mike Diebolt** (Jr., Mayfield Village, Ohio) went seven innings striking out nine and freshman **Brad Pautz** (Reedsville, Wis.) struck out eight in eight innings, allowing only two hits and no runs.

Ranked Opponents: Five of Minnesota's first nine games were against teams ranked in Baseball America's Top 25. The Golden Gophers opened the season at No. 15 Florida State, and hosted No. 5 Tennessee and No. 23 North Carolina State in the 1996 Hornel Classic. Minnesota was 0-5 in those games.

Minnesota Fax-On-Demand: One phone call from a fax machine handset allows instant access to Golden Gopher baseball up-to-date information (cumulative team and individual statistics, box scores from most recent games, honors candidates and numerical/alphabetical rosters). The information can be accessed by calling (770) 399-3066 and entering the Big Ten passcode, 282#. This is for media use only. The University of Minnesota baseball "cell" numbers are listed below:
2225# Cumulative Team and Individual Statistics
2227# Box Scores From Most Recent Series
2228# Honors Candidates
2229# Numerical/Alphabetical Rosters



GOLF

This Week: The Golden Gophers will compete at the Border Olympics in Laredo, Tex. on Mar. 23-24. Last year, the Golden Gophers struggled through the final round, shooting a 308 team score to fall to ninth overall. Senior All-America candidate **Aaron Barber** (New London, Minn.) finished 14th overall with a score of 221. Following the Border Olympics, the Golden Gophers will compete in the Dr. Pepper Invitational in Dallas, Tex. on Mar. 30-31.

Last Week: The Maroon and Gold pulled off the big upset when they tied Virginia Commonwealth for the team title of the Bell South/University of Central Florida Invitational on Mar. 4-5. The Golden Gophers led all three rounds and finished with a score of 883. Minnesota finished ahead of top-ranked East Tennessee State as well as Northwestern and Indiana from the Big Ten. The Golden Gophers placed all five of their starters in the top twenty-five in the individual standings and the team's three throw-away scores were a 74, a 77, and a 78. The win was the second straight top-two finish for the Maroon and Gold and their fifth top-five finish out of seven tournaments this year. On Feb. 23-25 the Golden Gophers finished second, three strokes off the lead at the South Florida Invitational in Tampa, Fla.

Balanced Attack: The Golden Gophers' success this season and in the past two tournaments can be attributed in part to a very balanced attack. The past two tournaments the Golden Gophers have placed all five of their starters in the top twenty-five in the individual standings. In addition, only 1.24 strokes separate the starting five in stroke average with just over a third of a stroke separating the top three golfers.

The Numbers: Barber is tied for the team lead in stroke average with a 74.76 mark and has three top-ten finishes, including a third place finish at South Florida and a first place finish at the ReliaStar Invitational. Freshman **Matt Doyle** (Simsbury, Conn.) is tied with Barber at 74.76 and had a first place finish in the fall (Wolverine Invit.) and was sixth at the South Florida Invitational. Freshman **Dan Arroyo** (Walnut Creek, Calif.) has picked up his game this season with three top-twenty finishes and a stroke average of 75.1 Junior **Mark Halverson** (Fargo, N.D.) has been steady with three top twenty finishes and a stroke average of 76.0, while sophomore **Robb Kerr** (Pointe Claire, Quebec) rebounded from a tough start in the fall and has had a nice spring so far with a pair of top twenty-five finishes. Kerr has lowered his stroke average almost two full strokes (77.8-to-76.0) in the two spring tournaments and is striking the ball very well.



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: Minnesota will have the week off in preparation for the 1996 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships March 28-30 in Austin, Texas.

Last Week: All-America and two-time national champion P.J. Bogart (Sr., Mesa, Ariz.) won the one-meter and three-meter springboard competition at the NCAA Zone C Qualifying competition in Bloomington, Ind. Bogart placed second in the platform diving and was the number one qualifier overall. Isaac Bjorklund (Jr., New Brighton, Minn.) and Matt Ninneman (So., Madison, Wis.) also competed for the Golden Gophers but failed to qualify. Bogart qualified to compete at the 1996 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships in Austin, Texas, March 28-30.



TENNIS

Golden Gophers Travel To Michigan State and Michigan, Host Purdue and Illinois: The Golden Gophers men's tennis team will have a busy spring break as they will play four Big Ten dual matches in a span of six days during the coming week. Minnesota will hit the road for a pair of matches in the Great Lakes State, taking on the Michigan State Spartans on Tuesday at 6 p.m. before traveling to Ann Arbor to play the Michigan Wolverines on Wednesday at 1 p.m.

The Golden Gophers will return home this weekend to play host to a pair of Big Ten rivals as Purdue and Illinois come to town for conference dual meets. Minnesota will tangle with the Boilermakers Friday evening at 6:30 p.m., then challenge the Fighting Illini on Saturday afternoon at 4 p.m. Both matches will take place at the 98th Street Club in Bloomington, Minn.

Minnesota's record currently stands at 4-9 overall and 2-1 in the Big Ten. The Golden Gophers have won four of their last seven matches after an 0-6 start.



TRACK & FIELD

Track Team Travels to Tuscaloosa: The Golden Gopher Track & Field team opens its outdoor track season this week when the team travels to Tuscaloosa, Ala., for the Alabama Relays. Several members of this year's team are expected to make the trip to Alabama, including Minnesota NCAA Indoor Track & Field qualifiers Paul Michalek (Sr., Bloomington, Minn.), Tyler McCorick (So., White Bear Lake, Minn.) and Vesa Rantanen (Fr., Virrat, Finland).



WRESTLING

Five Gophers Qualify for NCAAs: The University of Minnesota will play host to the NCAA Division I Wrestling Championships this week at Target Center, and five Golden Gophers have qualified for the Championships field. Senior heavyweight Billy Pierce (Minneapolis, Minn.) will make his fourth appearance at NCAAs in as many years, and is a serious threat to capture Minnesota's first individual National Championship since current Gopher coach Marty Morgan won the 177-pound weight class in 1991. Pierce enters the Championship as the only athlete in the country who has defeated defending national champion Tolly Thompson of Nebraska, a 4-1 victory by Pierce in the Sports Pavilion on Jan. 9.

Sophomore Jason Davids (Forest Lake, Minn.) could also challenge for the NCAA title at 142 pounds, as he defeated John Hughes of Penn State, the defending national champion, in the Big Ten semifinals. Davids lost a 5-4 decision to Bill Zadick of Iowa in the Big Ten final.

Minnesota's third Big Ten finalist, junior Gerald Carr (Dublin, Ga.), lost a 12-4 decision to Iowa's Daryl Weber, which is the same result as their previous meeting in January. Carr has qualified for the NCAA Championships, and will compete at 167 pounds.

Freshmen Chad Kraft (150, Lakefield, Minn.) and Tim Hartung (177, Durand, Wis.) used their sixth-place Big Ten finishes to earn spots in the 330-athlete NCAA field. Both will compete for the Gophers at Target Center this week.

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball
 Game Results for Minnesota (as of Mar 15, 1996)
 (All games)

Game date	Opposing team	Score	r	h	e/	r	h	e	Inns	Overall	Big Ten	Pitcher of record	Attend	Time
Feb 16, 1996	at Florida State	7-9 L	7	12	3/	9	11	2	9	0- 1- 0	0- 0- 0	Dobis (L 0-1)	992	2:35
Feb 17, 1996	at Florida State	11-23 L	11	13	4/23	26	4	9	9	0- 2- 0	0- 0- 0	Westfall (L 0-1)	1864	3:30
Feb 18, 1996	at Florida State	2-8 L	2	5	0/	8	8	0	9	0- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Kearin (L 0-1)	2544	2:50
Feb 23, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	W 12-11	12	17	5/11	12	2	(10)	9	1- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Diebolt (W 1-0)	733	3:40
Feb 24, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	W 7-5	7	12	1/	5	12	2	9	2- 3- 0	0- 0- 0	Pederson (W 1-0)	780	3:01
Feb 25, 1996	at Arizona Wildcats	2-4 L	2	9	1/	4	11	1	9	2- 4- 0	0- 0- 0	Freeman (L 0-1)	975	2:40
Mar 1, 1996	Connecticut Huskies	6-8 L	6	11	0/	8	16	1	9	2- 5- 0	0- 0- 0	Dobis (L 0-2)	1448	3:03
Mar 2, 1996	Tennessee Volunteers	4-8 L	4	12	1/	8	14	0	9	2- 6- 0	0- 0- 0	Pederson (L 1-1)	3147	3:16
Mar. 3, 1996	North Carolina St.	6-10 L	6	3	4/10	14	0	9	9	2- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	Diebolt (L 1-1)	1446	3:07
Mar 6, 1996	Iowa State Cyclones	W 15-2	15	17	0/	2	10	2	9	3- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	Dobis (W 1-2)	564	2:52
Mar 8, 1996	Western Michigan	W 5-3	5	10	1/	3	9	0	9	4- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	Pederson (W 2-1)	183	2:17
Mar 09, 1996	Western Michigan	W 4-3	4	6	2/	3	9	2	9	5- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	Diebolt (W 2-1)	262	2:14
Mar 10, 1996	Western Michigan	W 7-0	7	7	1/	0	2	4	9	6- 7- 0	0- 0- 0	Pautz (W 1-0)	267	2:18

* Big Ten game
 () extra inning game

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball
 Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Mar 15, 1996)
 (All games Sorted by Fielding pct)

Name	C	PO	A	E	FLD%	DPs	SBA	CSB	SBA%	PB	CI
McDermott.....	35	33	2	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Griffin.....	9	8	1	0	1.000	1	0	0	---	0	0
Skovran.....	5	5	0	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	2	0
Pautz.....	4	2	2	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Westfall.....	3	0	3	0	1.000	0	0	1	.000	0	0
Kearin.....	2	0	2	0	1.000	0	1	1	.500	0	0
Zrust.....	2	1	1	0	1.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Pederson.....	1	0	1	0	1.000	0	3	3	.500	0	0
Horton.....	90	84	5	1	.989	7	0	0	---	0	0
Guse.....	105	93	10	2	.981	0	13	6	.684	3	0
Stein.....	32	29	2	1	.969	0	0	0	---	0	0
Keeney.....	22	21	0	1	.955	0	0	0	---	0	0
Welter.....	70	24	42	4	.943	6	0	0	---	0	0
Quinlan.....	35	12	21	2	.943	1	0	0	---	0	0
Huls.....	60	9	47	4	.933	6	0	0	---	0	0
Mahady.....	14	10	3	1	.929	0	0	0	---	0	0
Diebolt.....	6	2	3	1	.833	0	4	3	.571	0	0
Selander.....	5	4	0	1	.800	0	0	0	---	0	0
Dobis.....	7	3	2	2	.714	1	3	0	1.000	0	0
Fellings.....	6	2	2	2	.667	0	2	0	1.000	0	0
Freeman.....	2	0	1	1	.500	0	0	0	---	0	0
Groenewegen.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Beers.....	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	---	0	0
Totals.....	515	342	150	23	.955	9	13	8	.619	5	0
Opponents.....	528	342	166	20	.962	13	18	9	.667	2	1

Hitting minimums - 3 Games 5 AB 1 TPA
 Pitching minimums - 1 Games 1 IP 1 BF

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of Mar 15, 1996)
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 6-7-0 Home 4-3-0 Away: 2-4-0

Name	AVG	GP-CS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OB%	SF	SH	SB-SBA	PO	A	E	FLD%
Guse.....	.360	13-13	50	12	18	4	1	0	12	24	.480	8	1	2	0	.458	0	0	1-2	93	10	2	.981
Quinlan.....	.352	13-13	54	8	19	3	2	0	9	26	.481	1	1	7	1	.375	0	2	1-2	12	21	2	.943
McDermott.....	.341	12-12	44	6	15	5	0	0	8	20	.455	5	5	10	3	.463	0	0	0-1	33	2	0	1.000
Keeney.....	.321	13-13	53	15	17	1	0	0	5	18	.340	10	0	8	1	.429	0	0	5-5	21	0	1	.955
Welter.....	.300	13-13	50	11	15	1	0	0	12	16	.320	7	1	7	2	.397	0	0	2-4	24	42	4	.943
Huls.....	.286	13-13	49	11	14	5	0	0	7	19	.388	10	0	10	0	.407	0	2	2-4	9	47	4	.933
Selander.....	.278	9-5	18	1	5	0	1	0	5	7	.389	1	0	3	0	.316	0	3	0-0	4	0	1	.800
Griffin.....	.273	6-1	11	6	3	1	0	0	1	4	.364	2	1	3	1	.429	0	0	0-0	8	1	0	1.000
Mahady.....	.267	11-8	30	6	8	1	0	0	2	9	.300	5	0	3	2	.371	0	0	3-4	10	3	1	.929
Stein.....	.244	13-12	45	7	11	2	1	0	8	15	.333	9	2	6	0	.393	0	0	2-3	29	2	1	.969
Horton.....	.194	11-10	31	3	6	0	0	0	2	6	.194	3	0	9	1	.265	0	1	2-2	84	5	1	.989
Beers.....	.083	4-3	12	1	1	1	0	0	0	2	.167	1	0	4	1	.154	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
--- Others ---																							
Groebner.....	.667	3-1	3	0	2	1	0	0	3	3	1.000	0	0	1	0	.667	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
Skovran.....	.000	3-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	1	0	.500	0	0	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
Totals.....	.297	13-13	451	88	134	25	5	0	74	169	.375	63	11	74	12	.396	0	8	18-27	342	150	23	.955
Opponents.....	.323	13-13	477	94	154	37	6	12	79	239	.501	42	8	99	8	.386	2	11	13-21	342	166	20	.962

CS - Team (104), Opp (104). DPs turned - Team (9), Opp (13). CI - Team (0), Opp (1). IBB - Team (2), Welter 1, Guse 1, Opp
Picked off - Keeney 1, Huls 1, Stein 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Name	ERA	W-L	APP	GS	CG	SHO/CBO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	2B	3B	HR	BF	B/Avg	WP	HBP	BK	SFA	SHA
Pautz.....	0.00	1-0	4	1	0	0/1	0	10.1	5	1	0	1	10	0	1	0	39	.143	2	1	0	0	2
Zrust.....	0.00	0-0	3	0	0	0/0	0	5.2	10	4	0	0	3	4	0	0	27	.370	1	0	0	0	0
Felling.....	2.16	0-0	6	0	0	0/0	1	8.1	9	3	2	3	6	3	0	0	38	.281	0	1	0	0	2
Pederson.....	4.15	2-1	4	3	0	0/0	0	26.0	29	16	12	13	30	4	0	1	115	.290	1	2	0	0	0
Kearin.....	4.50	0-1	5	1	0	0/0	3	6.0	5	3	3	8	2	1	0	0	29	.263	2	0	0	1	1
Diebolt.....	6.41	2-1	5	2	0	0/0	0	19.2	28	16	14	5	21	7	1	1	91	.341	5	0	1	0	4
Dobis.....	7.08	1-2	4	4	0	0/0	0	20.1	30	22	16	3	10	7	0	5	98	.326	5	2	0	0	1
Westfall.....	11.57	0-1	4	1	0	0/0	0	11.2	22	17	15	6	12	5	1	3	65	.386	1	0	1	1	1
Freeman.....	18.00	0-1	3	1	0	0/1	0	6.0	16	12	12	3	5	6	3	2	38	.485	1	2	0	0	0
Totals.....	5.84	6-7	13	13	0	1/1	4	114.0	154	94	74	42	99	37	6	12	540	.323	18	8	2	2	11
Opponents.....	5.61	7-6	13	13	0	0/0	4	114.0	134	88	71	63	74	25	5	0	534	.297	11	11	3	0	8

PB - Team (5), Guse 3, Skovran 2, Opp (2). Pickoffs - Team (0), Opp (2). SB/SBA - Guse (13-19), Diebolt (4-7), Pederson
(3-6), Dobis (3-3), Felling (2-2), Kearin (1-2), Westfall (0-1).

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GOPHER HOTLINE

The Golden Gopher Hotline features daily interviews with players and coaches. It is available to the media 24 hours a day by calling (612) 625-7887. The Hotline is broadcast quality and is changed by noon each day. This service is for media use only. The schedule for this week is as follows:

TUESDAY, MARCH 26

Head Swimming Coach Dennis Dale

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

Head Baseball Coach John Anderson

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Head Golf Coach John Means

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Head Gymnastics Coach Fred Rothlisberger

GOPHERS ONLINE

The University of Minnesota Men's Athletic Department is now on the Internet. The World Wide Web site contains press releases, statistics, rosters, schedules and much more information. The Web pages can be accessed at:

<http://www.umn.edu/mica/>

Information on every Big Ten school and the conference is also available via computer internet. The Big Ten's home page on ESPN SportsZone will be available at the following address:

<http://espnet.sportszone.com>

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THIS WEEK...

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

Swimming at NCAA Championships
Jamail Texas Swimming Center
Austin, Texas
All Day

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Baseball at Purdue
Lambert Field (1,100)
West Lafayette, Ind.
3 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Swimming at NCAA Championships
All Day

SATURDAY, MARCH 30

Baseball at Purdue (*two games*)
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf at Dr. Pepper Invitational
Tanglewood Country Club
Lake Texoma, Texas
All Day

Gymnastics at Big Ten Championships
St. John Arena
Columbus, Ohio
Noon

Swimming at NCAA Championships
All Day

SUNDAY, MARCH 31

Baseball at Purdue
3 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Golf at Dr. Pepper Invitational
All Day

Gymnastics at Big Ten Championships
Noon



BASEBALL

This Week: Minnesota is scheduled to open the Big Ten portion of its season on the road at Purdue in West Lafayette, Ind. The games are set for Friday, March 29, at 3 p.m., Saturday, March 30, at 1 p.m., and Sunday, March 31, at 1 p.m.

Radio: KSGS-AM (950) (Ryan Lefebvre play-by-play)

Last Week: The Golden Gophers posted a 2-4 mark in a spring-break trip through Louisiana. Minnesota dropped two decisions to Tulane (6-5, 11-8), one game to New Orleans (7-6), then lost in the series-opener to Southeastern Louisiana (6-2) before claiming the final two games (19-17, 9-6) to win the series. Minnesota is 8-11 this season.

About the Opponent: Purdue enters this weekend's contest with a 7-15-1 record and 0-4 in the Big Ten after being swept at home against Michigan in West Lafayette last weekend. The Boilermakers are scheduled for a mid-week game against Valparaiso on Tuesday, weather permitting.

Series vs. Purdue: The opening game of this series will mark the 107th meeting between the Golden Gophers and Boilermakers with Minnesota holding a 74-30-2 advantage. The Maroon and Gold won three of four games last season at Siebert Field as Minnesota went on to finish second in the Big Ten (16-12) while Purdue finished a game back in a tie for third (15-13).

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

KSGS-AM 950 radio will broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder Ryan Lefebvre will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons. Former Minnesota Twin Gene Larkin and back-up play-by-play announcer Paul Barnes will assist with selected Golden Gopher games.

Ranked Opponents: Minnesota has played six games against teams ranked in Baseball America's Top 25 this season. The Golden Gophers opened the season at No. 15 Florida State, and hosted No. 5 Tennessee and No. 23 North Carolina State in the 1996 Hornel Classic and most recently played No. 21 New Orleans. Minnesota was 0-6 in those games.

Minnesota Fax-On-Demand: One phone call from a fax machine handset allows instant access to Golden Gopher base-

ball up-to-date information (cumulative team and individual statistics, box scores from most recent games, honors candidates and numerical/alphabetical rosters). The information can be accessed by calling (770) 399-3066 and entering the Big Ten passcode, 282#. This is for media use only. The University of Minnesota baseball "cell" numbers are listed below:

- 2225# Cumulative Team and Individual Statistics
- 2227# Box Scores From Most Recent Series
- 2228# Honors Candidates
- 2229# Numerical/Alphabetical Rosters

"Surf The Net": Information on the University of Minnesota Men's Athletics Department is now available on the Internet. The World Wide Web site contains news releases, statistics, rosters, schedules, student-athlete/coach/administration profiles, departmental directory, ticket & merchandise information and much, much more. The web page can be accessed at: <http://www.umn.edu/mica/>.



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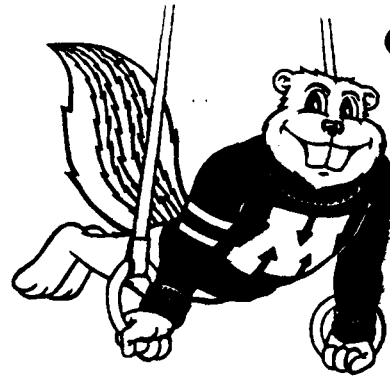
This Week: The Golden Gophers will compete at the Dr. Pepper Invitational on the Tanglewood Country Club course in Lake Texoma, Texas. Last year, the Gophers finished second, one stroke behind Ohio State, in the three-day tournament.

Golfers Third at Border Olympics: Minnesota took third place in the Border Olympics at the Laredo Country Club in Laredo, Texas, this weekend. The Gophers finished with a three-day total of 885 for 54 holes, placing them one stroke ahead of host Texas A&M.

Sophomore Rob Kerr (Pointe Claire, Quebec) was the top Gopher in the tournament with a three-day total of 219, including a two-under-par 70 in the final round, to tie for seventh place overall. Freshman Dan Arroyo (Walnut Creek, Calif.) was the only other Gopher in the top-20, with a 223 three-day total, good for 18th place.

Final Team Standings: 1. Arkansas, 860; 2. SMU, 867; 3. Gophers, 885; 4. Texas A&M, 886; 5. Northwestern, 891; 6. Texas Tech, 892; 7. Stephen F. Austin, 896; 8. Rice, 898; 9. Texas-Arlington, 899; 10. SW Louisiana, 900

Individual Standings: 1. Bryan Novoa, Texas Tech, 211; 2. Josh Gregory, SMU; 3. Jeff Brown, Texas A&M, 213; 4. Casey Brown, Arkansas, 214; 5. Steven Bright, Arkansas, 215. Gophers: t7. Rob Kerr, 219; t18. Dan Arroyo, 223; Aaron Barber, 226; Matt Halverson, 227; Bill Thompson, 227; Matt Doyle, 229.



GYMNASTICS

Big Ten Championships This Friday and

Saturday: The defending Big Ten champion Minnesota Golden Gophers will travel to Columbus, Ohio to defend their title this weekend. The Gophers will be seeking Head Coach Fred Roethlisberger's 12th Big Ten title in 25 years.

1996 RESULTS:

1/20	Windy City Invite	6th/213.45
1/27	Ohio State	L/219.75-224.75
2/10	Iowa	L/219.25-225.45
2/16	Michigan State	W/223.40-223.10
2/18	Michigan	W/223.55-209.70
2/24	Ill.-Chicago	W/225.80-222.10
3/9	Nebraska	L/224.175-225.925

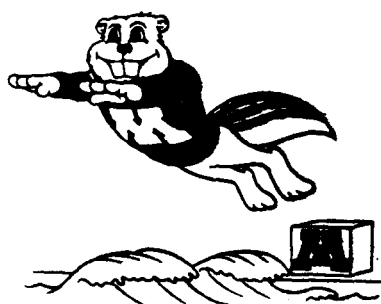
Home meets in bold

1996 Season Best Team Scores:

Team Score	225.800 (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Floor Exercise	38.200 (vs. Nebraska 3/9)
Pommel Horse	37.100 (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Still Rings	38.575 (vs. Nebraska 3/9)
Vault	37.250 (at Michigan 2/18)
Parallel Bars	37.400 (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Horiz. Bar	38.350 (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)

1996 Season Best Individual Scores

Floor Exercise	9.85	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16)
Pommel Horse	9.45	Ryan Carns (vs. Iowa 2/10)
Still Rings	9.80	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16)
Vault	9.60	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16) Chris Harrington (@ Michigan 2/18)
Parallel Bars	9.60	Heath Wall (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Horizontal Bar	9.90	Andrew Weaver (@ Michigan 2/18)
All-Around	55.800	Frank Ticknor (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)



SWIMMING & DIVING

This Week: Minnesota will travel to the University of Texas in Austin, for the 1996 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships at the Jamail Texas Swimming Center March 28-30. Competition will begin at noon each day with preliminary action and finals are slated for 7 p.m.

The Athletes: The Golden Gophers will send at least 10 athletes to the championships while two others swimmers are questionable. Ty Bathurst (So., Albuquerque, N.M), Eriek Hulseman (So., Edina, Minn.), Jeremy Rients (So., Apple Valley, Minn.), P.J. Bogart (Sr., Mesa, Ariz.), Bernie Zeruhn (Sr., Hamburg, Germany), John Cahoy (Fr., Husdon, Wis.), Martin Zielinski (Fr., Bloomington, Minn.), Matt Schlessman (Jr., Avon, Ohio), Mitch Henke (Jr., Mandan, N.D.) and Derek Williams (Sr., Lansdale, Pa.) are set to compete while Duane Dobko (Sr., Ajax, Ontario, Canada) and Manolis Lentaris (So., Hania, Creete, Greece) are questionable due to late season injuries. The athletes and events follow.

Ty Bathurst	50 free, 100 breast, 200 free relay, 200 medley relay
Eriek Hulseman	200 and 400 medley relays
Jeremy Rients	100 and 200 free, 200, 400 and 800 free relays
P.J. Bogart	1-meter and 3-meter springboard and 10-meter platform
Bernie Zeruhn	200 and 500 free, 200 fly, 400 medley relay, 400 and 800 free relays
John Cahoy	100 fly and 800 free relay
Martin Zielinski	200 and 400 fly, 200 and 400 medley relays
Matt Schlessman	100 free, 200, 400 and 800 free relays
Mitch Henke	100 breast, 200 and 400 medley relays
Derek Williams	50 free, 100 fly, 200 and 400 medley relays, 200 and 400 free relays

Last Year: The Golden Gophers finished ninth in the nation last season with 10 athletes earning All-America status. Michigan is the defending national champion and only other Big Ten school in the top ten. Returning All-Americans competing at this year's championships include P.J. Bogart, Duane Dobko, Matt Eisenhuth, Manolis Lentaris, Matt Schlessman, Derek Williams and Bernie Zeruhn.



TENNIS

Golden Gophers Win Three Of Four Big Ten

Matches; Idle This Week: The Golden Gophers men's tennis team will take a bit of a break this week following a hectic spring break week schedule which saw the four-time defending Big Ten titleholders lift their conference mark to 5-2 by winning three of four dual matches. Minnesota split a pair of road clashes in the Great Lakes State, defeating the Michigan State Spartans 6-1 on Tuesday before succumbing to the Michigan Wolverines 5-2 on Wednesday. The Golden Gophers then downed Purdue 5-2 Friday night at the 98th Street Club before putting the finishing touches on a good week with a 4-3 home win over Illinois Saturday. Minnesota has now won four of their last five dual matches.

The netters will be back in action on Fri., Apr. 5 as they host Ohio State in a match held in Rochester, Minn., with the first serve at 5:30 p.m. The following evening, the Golden Gophers will return to the 98th Street Club as they take on the Indiana Hoosiers in another home Big Ten match, with a scheduled start time of 6:30 p.m.

Kristoffersen On A Roll: Freshman Martin

Kristoffersen (Fr., Porstgrunn, Norway), who has played at both #5 and #6 singles this season for the Maroon and Gold, has reeled off eight consecutive victories over the past six weeks to raise his record on the season to 18-10. Kristoffersen, who last lost a singles match on Feb. 10 to Damir Seferovic of Iowa, has a dual match record of 11-2, with a 5-1 mark at #5 singles and a 6-1 record at #6 singles.

Top Individual/Doubles Records To Date: The following is a summary of the top singles and doubles records for the Golden Gopher men's tennis team thus far in the 1995-96 season. For a complete list of all singles and doubles records, please access the men's tennis cell on the fax-on-demand system.

Ben Gabler (Jr., Chambersburg, Pa.)	21-13
Martin Kristoffersen (Fr., Porstgrunn, Norway)	18-10
Lars Hjarrand (Jr., Oslo, Norway)	19-11
Tom Chicoine (Fr., Neenah, Wis.)	21-16
Erik Donley (Sr., Duluth, Minn.)	16-14
Donley/Hjarrand	15-7
Chicoine/Kristoffersen	9-9



TRACK & FIELD

Gophers Eighth at Alabama Relays: Minnesota opened the 1996 outdoor track & field season with an eighth-place finish at the Alabama Relays. Minnesota completed the Relays with 14 team points. Mississippi State earned the team title with 24 points, followed by Kansas (22), LSU (21), Eastern Michigan (21), West Virginia (19), Meridian CC (16), Pittsburgh (15) and Minnesota.

The Gophers were led by first-place finishes in the 4x800m relay (7:28.59) and senior captain **Paul Michalek** (Bloomington, Minn.) in the 1,500m. Michalek's 1,500m time of 3:44.93 places him as the first Gopher to provisionally qualify for the NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships, to be held in Eugene, Ore., May 29-June 1.

Gopher junior **Rick Obleman** (Regina, Sask.) earned a second-place finish in the 3,000m Steeplechase with a time of 9:01.25. Other Gophers placing in the top-10 in their respective events include freshman **Vesa Rantanen** (Virtti, Finland), who finished fourth in the pole vault with a height of 17-0 3/4, **Seth Mischke** (Worland, Wyo.), who was eighth with a pole vault of 16-0 3/4, and two triple jumpers, **Adrian Ellis** (Racine, Wis.) and **Marcus Westberry** (Minneapolis, Minn.), who finished seventh and eighth with jumps of 50-5 1/4 and 50-4, respectively.



WRESTLING

Three Gophers Earn All-America Honors, Team Finishes 19th at NAAs: The Golden Gophers advanced three athletes to the NCAA semifinal round at Target Center on Friday night, but none of the three were able to advance to the national championship bout.

Senior **Billy Pierce** (Minneapolis, Minn.) earned his third career All-America honor by defeating Seth Brady of Illinois to advance to the semifinals, but was unable to score an escape on Jeff Walter of Wisconsin in the third period of his semifinal bout. Walter earned a 3-1 decision with riding time to advance to the final, while Pierce injury defaulted out of the tournament

on Saturday morning to finish sixth. Pierce finished his career with a 155-29 overall record, second on Minnesota's all-time list, and 57 pins, which is a school record. As a senior, Pierce held the No. 1 ranking from Jan. 20 through the Big Ten tournament and finished with a record of 26-4 and nine pins.

Sophomore **Jason Davids** (142, Forest Lake, Minn.) avenged a mid-season loss to Derek Mountsier of Iowa State, posting a 10-4 decision to advance to the semifinals. In the semis, Davids ran into Bill Zadick of Iowa, for their third meeting of the year. Zadick posted a 7-2 victory margin to advance to the finals, while Davids dropped into Saturday's wrestlebacks. On Saturday, Davids lost to second-seeded Roger Chandler of Indiana by a 14-3 margin, but bounced back to score a 7-4 victory over Scott Reyna of Oklahoma State to finish fifth. Davids was one of three Gophers to earn All-America honors, and finished the 1995-96 season with a 34-6 record.

Minnesota's third athlete to earn All-America honors was freshman **Chad Kraft** (Lakefield, Minn.), who finished fifth at 150 pounds. Kraft entered the tournament as the 11th seed, and opened the tournament with a 4-3 victory over unseeded Jimmy Arias of Oklahoma State. In the second round, Kraft posted his third victory of the season over sixth-seeded Eric Siebert with a 3-1 double-overtime victory. Kraft advanced to the semifinals with a 3-2 defeat of Mike Garcia of Bucknell, and fell to eventual national champion Chris Bono of Iowa State, 8-0, in the semifinals. In Saturday morning's consolation rounds, Kraft lost his first consolation match to Russ Hughes of Penn State, 8-2, but earned a fifth-place finish with a 4-1 victory over fifth-seeded Mike Rogers of Lock Haven. Kraft completed his freshman season with a 29-11 record.

Junior **Gerald Carr** (167, Dublin, Ga.) started his tournament quickly with a pin of Nebraska's Chad Nelson in 2:32, the only pin by a Minnesota athlete at this year's NCAA Championships. Carr advanced to the quarterfinals with a 12-6 victory over Bryan Matusic of Pittsburgh, but fell to third-seeded Charles Burton of Boise State in the quarterfinals. Carr lost a 2-1 decision to eighth-seeded Barry Weldon of Iowa State and finished the tournament one victory away from All-America status. Carr completed a successful first season in Maroon and Gold with a 29-7 record.

Minnesota's fifth qualifier, freshman **Tim Hartung** (177, Durand, Wis.), posted an 8-6 overtime victory over ninth-seeded Erik Josephson of Nebraska in the first round. Hartung lost his second match to eighth-seeded Derek Scott of Cal-Bakersfield by a 13-3 margin. In wrestlebacks, Hartung won his first match over Zach Randall of Oklahoma, 3-1, but lost to Jevon Herman of Illinois, 6-4, to end his tournament. Hartung finished the season with a 24-18 record.

As a team, the Golden Gophers finished 19th with 32.5 points. Iowa won their second consecutive team championship with 122.5 points, followed by Iowa State (78.5), Cal-Bakersfield (66) and Penn State (65).

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball

Record: 8-11-0 Home: 4-3-0 Away: 4-8-0

Feb. 16	@ Florida State	L 9-7
Feb. 17	@ Florida State	L 23-11
Feb. 18	@ Florida State	L 8-2
Feb. 23	@ Arizona	W 12-11 (10)
Feb. 24	@ Arizona	W 7-5
Feb. 25	@ Arizona	L 4-2
Mar. 1-3	Hormel Foods Classic	
	vs. Connecticut	L 8-6
	vs. Tennessee	L 8-4
	vs. N.C. State	L 10-6
Mar. 6	IOWA STATE	W 15-2
Mar. 8	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 5-3
Mar. 9	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 4-3
Mar. 10	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 7-0
Mar. 19	@ Tulane	L 6-5
Mar. 20	@ Tulane	L 11-8
Mar. 21	@ New Orleans	L 7-6
Mar. 22	@ S.E. Louisiana	L 6-2
Mar. 23	@ S.E. Louisiana	W 19-17
Mar. 24	@ S.E. Louisiana	W 9-6

Hitting stats

Name	AB	R	H	AVG	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO
Stein	71	15	25	.352	3	1	0	12	10	11
McDermott	57	9	20	.351	7	0	0	10	7	14
Guse	68	15	23	.338	5	1	1	18	11	2
Huls	72	19	24	.333	5	0	0	8	12	14
Keeney	67	17	22	.328	1	0	0	7	12	9
Quinlan	83	14	27	.325	4	3	0	17	1	13
Smith	31	6	10	.323	2	0	1	8	0	8
Selander	26	3	8	.308	1	1	0	7	2	4
Welter	77	17	21	.273	3	0	0	17	9	10
Horton	44	5	11	.250	2	0	0	5	4	12
Mahady	39	7	9	.231	1	0	0	3	7	7
Groebner	14	2	3	.214	2	0	0	3	4	5
Beers	21	1	2	.095	1	0	0	2	2	10
Skovran	2	1	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	1
Totals	683	137	209	.306	38	6	2	119	85	122
Opponents	680	147	216	.318	51	10	18	127	78	147

Pitching stats

Name	W-L	ERA	GP	GS	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pautz	1-0	0.00	4	1	0	0	10.1	5	1	0	1	10
DeWitt	0-0	0.00	2	0	0	0	5.0	6	4	0	0	5
Zrust	1-0	3.00	5	0	0	0	9.0	16	7	3	0	8
Felling	0-0	3.00	9	0	0	1	12.0	16	8	4	6	6
Pederson	2-2	4.90	6	5	0	0	38.1	44	27	19	22	45
Kearin	0-2	4.95	7	1	0	3	9.1	10	10	5	12	4
Diebolt	3-1	6.41	9	3	0	1	28.1	35	22	20	9	32
Werner	0-0	7.50	1	2	0	0	1.2	0	1	1	0	3
Dobis	1-3	8.51	5	5	0	0	22.2	36	27	21	7	11
Westfall	0-2	9.89	6	2	0	0	18.2	28	22	20	10	20
Freeman	0-1	17.00	5	2	0	0	9.0	20	18	17	7	6
Totals	8-11	6.03	19	19	0	5	164.1	216	147	110	78	147
Opponents	11-8	5.52	19	19	0	7	168.0	209	137	103	85	122



SPORTS NEWS

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DATE: Tuesday, March 26, 1996
TO: Golden Gopher Hockey Media Outlets
FROM: Brad Ruitter, U of M Media Relations
RE: Player and Coach Availability This Week

The Golden Gopher hockey team will be holding a meeting on Wednesday, March 27 at 3 p.m. in the Mariucci Arena locker room. Players and coaches will be available to the media either before or after the closed meeting.

Also, a reminder that a press conference announcing the winner of the 1996 Hobey Baker Award will be held on Friday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time at the Hyatt Regency, Regency B Room in Cincinnati, Ohio in conjunction with the 1996 NCAA Men's Ice Hockey Championship. Any interview requests after Wednesday for Golden Gopher Hobey Baker Finalists Brian Bonin and Mike Crowley should be directed to myself at (612) 625-4389.

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JACOBSON'S NOSE SURGERY A SUCCESS

University of Minnesota basketball player Sam Jacobson underwent surgery to improve the air flow through his nasal passages this morning at the University of Minnesota Hospitals and Clinic. The corrective surgery was deemed a success by Dr. David Hom who performed the procedure, and Jacobson should be able to resume his normal off-season conditioning program within a few weeks. The surgery included the repair of a deviated septum that was 100 percent closed, and other surgical procedures to improve overall air flow through the nasal passages.

Jacobson played in all 32 games this past season and was second on the team in scoring with a 12.8 points per game average. An honorable mention All-Big Ten selection, he led the team in scoring in 13 games last year.



SPORTS NEWS

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TO: Media Outlets Covering Golden Gopher Football
FROM: Marc Ryan, Director of Media Relations
RE: Spring Football
DATE: Friday, March 29, 1996

Just a reminder that spring football practice begins Saturday (March 30) at 1:30 p.m. in the Gibson-Nagurski Football Complex. Interviews with players and coaches are available beginning at 1 p.m. up until the start of practice.

In general, practices during the week will begin at approximately 3:30 p.m. The Saturday scrimmages will start at approximately 1:30 p.m. A complete spring practice schedule follows:

Saturday, March 30	First Practice, 1:30 p.m. (interviews start at 1 p.m.)
Monday, April 1	Practice
Tuesday, April 2	Practice
Thursday, April 4	Practice
Saturday, April 6	Scrimmage #1
Tuesday, April 9	Practice
Thursday, April 11	Practice
Friday, April 12	Practice
Saturday, April 13	Scrimmage #2
Tuesday, April 16	Practice
Thursday, April 18	Practice
Saturday, April 20	Scrimmage #3
Tuesday, April 23	Practice
Wednesday, April 24	Practice
Saturday, April 27	Spring Game, 1:30 p.m. (Metrodome)

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Head Track & Field Coach Phil Lundin

THURSDAY, APRIL 4

Head Tennis Coach Dave Geatz

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Head Baseball Coach John Anderson

GOPHERS ONLINE

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<http://www.umn.edu/mica/>

Information on every Big Ten school and the conference is also available via computer internet. The Big Ten's home page on ESPNET SportsZone will be available at the following address:

<http://espnet.sportszone.com>.

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THIS WEEK...

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3

Baseball vs. St. Thomas
H. H. H. Metrodome
9 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

FRIDAY, APRIL 5

Tennis vs. Ohio State
Rochester, Minn.
5:30 p.m.

Track & Field at Texas Relays
Memorial Stadium
Austin, Texas
All Day

SATURDAY, APRIL 6

Baseball at Michigan (two games)
Ray Fisher Stadium (4,000)
Ann Arbor, Mich.
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)

Track & Field at Texas Relays
All Day

SUNDAY, APRIL 7

Baseball at Michigan (two games)
1 p.m., KSGS-AM (950)





BASEBALL

This Week: Minnesota will play St. Thomas on Wednesday, Apr. 3, at 9 p.m. at the Metrodome. The game was scheduled to be Minnesota's home-outdoor opener at Siebert Field but had to be moved indoors due to poor playing conditions. This weekend, the Golden Gophers will continue its Big Ten schedule on the road at Ann Arbor, Mich., against the Wolverines. The two teams will play two seven-inning doubleheaders on Saturday and Sunday at 1 p.m.

Radio: KSGS-AM (950) (Paul Barnes play-by-play)

Last Week: The Golden Gophers opened conference play at Purdue and came away with a 2-1 mark while improving to 10-12 overall. Minnesota won game one of the set on Friday as junior Justin Pederson (Chippewa Falls, Wis.) went 6 2/3 innings on the mound allowing only five hits and two earned runs in a 9-4 win. Bryan Guse (Jr., New Brighton, Minn.) and Rob Smith (Sr., Menomonie, Wis.) had two hits apiece for Minnesota while Bob Keeney (Jr., Burnsville, Minn.) was three for three with two doubles and three runs scored. The two squads split a doubleheader on Saturday with the Boilermakers winning the opener 8-2, and Minnesota claiming the nightcap, 6-1. Smith led the charge at the plate as the senior went three for six with four RBI's. Sunday's game was cancelled due to rain.

About the Tommies: St. Thomas was 12-1 entering a weekend doubleheader with Ripon at the Metrodome. The Tommies posted an impressive 11-0 spring trip romp through Florida and find themselves ranked number seven in the ABCA/Div. III Baseball poll. The highest St. Thomas was ranked last season was No. 27.

Series vs. St. Thomas: This will be the 70th meeting between Minnesota and St. Thomas with the Golden Gophers holding a 59-10 edge. The last meeting in the series came last season at the Metrodome with the Maroon and Gold posting a 9-5 win.

About the Wolverines: Michigan is among the league leaders with a 5-1 conference mark (Michigan-Indiana series concludes Monday due to rain) and 7-14 overall. The Wolverines swept Purdue in West Lafayette, Ind., to open Big Ten play then split a pair of games at Indiana on Saturday.

Series vs. Michigan: The opening game of this series will mark the 115th meeting between the two schools with Michigan

holding a 61-53 advantage. Last season, Minnesota won three games in five meetings as the Golden Gophers topped the Wolverines 7-4 in the 1995 Hormel Classic then the two teams split the regular season Big Ten series at Seibert Field.

Series Under Anderson: Minnesota leads 22-21

Series in Minneapolis: Minnesota leads 12-10

Series in Ann Arbor: Michigan leads 9-10

Series at a Neutral Site: Series tied 1-1

Home Cooking: The Golden Gophers will return to the friendly confines of its home fields after spending a majority of the early season on the road. The Maroon and Gold played nine straight games away from both the Metrodome and Siebert Field compiling a 4-5 record. Minnesota is scheduled to have 16 home games and only six away games in the month of April. Of the 16 home games, 12 will be against Big Ten competition (Penn State, Ohio State and Illinois) while only four will be non-conference foes (St. Thomas, Creighton, UW-Milwaukee and South Dakota).

Last Year at this Time: The Golden Gophers had an identical record of 10-12 overall but had only played one conference game (Iowa) and were 0-1. This year's squad is 2-1 in the Big Ten and have an away record of 6-9. Last year's team only won four road games all season en route to a 4-19 road mark.

KSGS-AM 950 To Broadcast Games In 1996:

KSGS-AM 950 radio will broadcast all Golden Gopher regular-season baseball games during the 1996 and 1997 seasons. Former Minnesota and All-Big Ten center fielder Ryan Lefebvre will be the broadcast voice for Golden Gopher baseball. Lefebvre was a two-time All-Big Ten selection for the Golden Gophers and has been the voice of Golden Gopher baseball for the past two seasons. Former Minnesota Twin Gene Larkin and back-up play-by-play announcer Paul Barnes will assist with select Golden Gopher games.

Ranked Opponents: Minnesota has played five games against teams ranked in Baseball America's Top 25 this season. The Golden Gophers opened the season at No. 15 Florida State, and hosted No. 5 Tennessee and No. 23 North Carolina State in the 1996 Hormel Classic. Minnesota was 0-5 in those games.

Minnesota Fax-On-Demand: One phone call from a fax machine handset allows instant access to Golden Gopher baseball up-to-date information (cumulative team and individual statistics, box scores from most recent games, honors candidates and numerical/alphabetical rosters). The information can be accessed by calling (770) 399-3066 and entering the Big Ten passcode, 282#. This is for media use only. The University of Minnesota baseball "cell" numbers are listed below:
2225# Cumulative Team and Individual Statistics
2227# Box Scores From Most Recent Series
2228# Honors Candidates
2229# Numerical/Alphabetical Rosters

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MINNESOTA SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Feb. 16	@ Florida State	L 9-7
Feb. 17	@ Florida State	L 23-11
Feb. 18	@ Florida State	L 8-2
Feb. 23	@ Arizona	W 12-11 (10)
Feb. 24	@ Arizona	W 7-5
Feb. 25	@ Arizona	L 4-2
Mar. 1-3	Hormel Foods Classic vs. Connecticut vs. Tennessee vs. N.C. State	L 8-6 L 8-4 L 10-6
Mar. 6	IOWA STATE	W 15-2
Mar. 8	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 5-3
Mar. 9	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 4-3
Mar. 10	WESTERN MICHIGAN	W 7-0
Mar. 19	@ Tulane	L 6-5
Mar. 20	@ Tulane	L 11-8
Mar. 21	@ New Orleans	L 7-6
Mar. 22	@ S.E. Louisiana	L 6-2
Mar. 23	@ S.E. Louisiana	W 19-17
Mar. 24	@ S.E. Louisiana	W 9-6
Mar. 29	@ Purdue	W 9-4
Mar. 30	@ Purdue (2)	L 8-2, W 6-1
Mar. 31	@ Purdue	Cancelled/Rain
Apr. 3	ST. THOMAS	2:30 p.m.
Apr. 6	@ Michigan (2)	1 p.m.
Apr. 7	@ Michigan (2)	1 p.m.
Apr. 9	CREIGHTON	2:30 p.m.
Apr. 12	PENN STATE	3 p.m.
Apr. 13	PENN STATE (2)	1 p.m.
Apr. 14	PENN STATE	1 p.m.
Apr. 16	UW-MILWAUKEE	3 p.m.
Apr. 17	@ Northern Iowa	6 p.m.
Apr. 19	OHIO STATE	7 p.m.
Apr. 20	OHIO STATE (2)	2 p.m.
Apr. 21	OHIO STATE	1 p.m.
Apr. 24	@ Iowa State	3 p.m.
Apr. 26	ILLINOIS	7 p.m.
Apr. 27	ILLINOIS (2)	4 p.m.
Apr. 28	ILLINOIS	1 p.m.
Apr. 30	SOUTH DAKOTA	7 p.m.
May 1	MANKATO STATE	7 p.m.
May 3	@ Northwestern	3 p.m.
May 4	@ Northwestern (2)	1 p.m.
May 5	@ Northwestern	1 p.m.
May 7	ST. CLOUD STATE	7 p.m.
May 9	ST. OLAF	7 p.m.
May 11	IOWA	7 p.m.
May 12	IOWA (2)	2 p.m.
May 13	IOWA	6 p.m.
May 16-19	Big Ten Tournament	TBA
May 23-26	NCAA Regional	TBA



GOLF

This Week: The Golden Gophers will take a week off before competing in the Legends of Indiana Invitational in Franklin, Ind. on April 12-13. Last year the Golden Gophers were runners-up to Missouri in the tournament. Senior All-America candidate Aaron Barber (New London, Minn.) finished sixth overall with a three-round score of 218.

Golfers Eighth at Dr. Pepper Invitational: Minnesota took eighth place out of 18 teams at the Dr. Pepper Invitational in Lake Texoma, Texas, last weekend. Junior Mark Halverson (Fargo, N.D.) led the team with a three-round score of 226 which tied him for 16th overall. Freshman Matt Doyle (Simsbury, Conn.) was next at 227, which was good for 19th place. Robb Kerr (So., Pointe Clarie, Quebec) was tied for 26th at 229. Barber was tied for 40th at 232, and Dan Arroyo (Fr., Walnut Creek, Calif.) was 71st at 240.

Final Team Standings: 1. SMU, 886; 2. Nebraska, 897; 3. UAB, 900; 4. Northwestern, 904; 5. Indiana, Kent State, 905; 7. Xavier, 906, 8. Minnesota, 910; 9. Miami of Ohio, 916; 10. Michigan State, 923; 11. Michigan, 926; 12. Toledo, 927; 13. Illinois, 933; 14. Illinois St., 934; 15. Iowa, 937; 16. Tulane, 957; 17. Northern Illinois, 965; 18. Marquette, 972.

Individual Standings: 1. Jim Zettler, Xavier, 215; 2. Maarten van den Berg, Miami, 218; 3. Hank Kuehne, SMU, Steve Dixon, Xavier, Jason Enloe, SMU, 219. Gophers: Mark Halverson, tied for 16th, 226; Matt Doyle, tied for 19th, 227; Rob Kerr, tied for 26th, 229; Aaron Barber, tied for 40th, 232; Dan Arroyo, tied for 71st, 240.



GYMNASTICS

NCAA East Regional April 13: The Minnesota men's gymnastics team travels to Iowa City, Iowa for the NCAA East Regional on April 13.

Golden Gophers Place Fourth at Big Ten

Championships: The University of Minnesota men's gymnastics team placed fourth at the Big Ten Championships in

Columbus, Ohio last Saturday. The Golden Gophers scored 224.925 points, 6.450 points behind Big Ten Champion Ohio State.

In the all-around senior **Andrew Weaver** (Albuquerque, N.M.) finished 13th with 55.300 points. Junior **Frank Ticknor** (Milwaukee, Wis.) finished 15th with a 55.025 and junior **Heath Wall** (Sterling Heights, Mich.) finished 21st. Wall placed third on the rings with a 9.70 in the team competition. He was the only Gopher to place in the top three on an apparatus.

Good Weekend For Krob: Freshman **Jason Krob** (St. Charles, Mo.) recorded a career high on the pommel horse at the Big Ten Individual Championships Sunday with a 9.575. Krob's score was a team best for the season and placed him sixth for the meet. On Saturday Krob recorded a then-best 9.55 on the horse to place seventh in the team competition.

Individual Finals: In other individual finals Sunday, junior **Chris Harrington** (Brookfield, Wis.) placed fourth on the floor with a 9.600, and eighth on the vault with a 9.20. Wall tied for sixth on the rings with a 9.55. **George Beatty** (So., Aberdeen, N.J.) scored a 9.30 and **Ryan Carns** (Jr., Grafton, Wis.) scored a 9.050 on the parallel bars to place eighth and ninth respectively.

1996 RESULTS:

1/20	Windy City Invite	6th/213.45
1/27	Ohio State	L/219.75-224.75
2/10	Iowa	L/219.25-225.45
2/16	Michigan State	W/223.40-223.10
2/18	Michigan	W/223.55-209.70
2/24	Ill.-Chicago	W/225.80-222.10
3/9	Nebraska	L/224.175-225.925
3/30	Big Ten Championships	4th/224.925

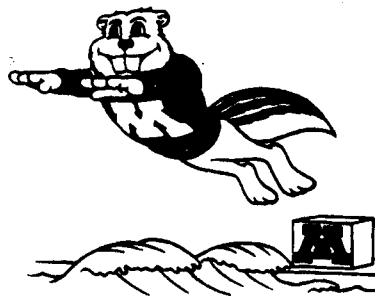
Home meets in bold

1996 Season Best Team Scores:

Team Score	225.800	(vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Floor Exercise	38.200	(vs. Nebraska 3/9)
Pommel Horse	37.900	(at Big Tens 3/30)
Still Rings	38.575	(vs. Nebraska 3/9)
Vault	37.250	(at Michigan 2/18)
Parallel Bars	37.400	(vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Horiz. Bar	38.350	(vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)

1996 Season Best Individual Scores

Floor Exercise	9.85	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16)
Pommel Horse	9.575	Jason Krob (@ Big Tens Individuals 3/30)
Still Rings	9.80	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16)
Vault	9.60	Chris Harrington (@ Michigan St. 2/16)
		Chris Harrington (@ Michigan 2/18)
Parallel Bars	9.60	Heath Wall (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)
Horizontal Bar	9.90	Andrew Weaver (@ Michigan 2/18)
All-Around	55.800	Frank Ticknor (vs. Ill.-Chicago 2/24)



SWIMMING & DIVING

Last Week: Minnesota concluded the 1996 swimming and diving season last weekend at the University of Texas in Austin, at the 1996 NCAA Swimming and Diving Championships. The Golden Gophers finished 12th in the team standings and second among Big Ten schools and had three athletes earn All-America honors.

The Athletes: **P.J. Bogart** (Sr., Mesa, Ariz.) capped an outstanding collegiate career by capturing his third individual diving title. Bogart successfully defended his NCAA title on the one-meter springboard and also earned All-America honors on the three-meter springboard and 10-meter platform to close out his collegiate career as a 10-time All-American. Seniors **Bernie Zeruhn** (Hamburg, Germany) and **Derek Williams** (Lansdale, Pa.) also earned All-America status as Williams finished fifth in the 100 butterfly and Zeruhn finished eighth in the 200 freestyle.



TENNIS

Golden Gophers Take Weekend Off, Two Duals

This Weekend: After a weekend off, the Gopher tennis team will be back in action this Friday, Apr. 5, as they play host to Ohio State in a match held in Rochester, Minn., with the first serve at 5:30 p.m. The following evening, the Golden Gophers return to the 98th Street Club as they take on the Indiana Hoosiers in another home Big Ten match, with a scheduled start time of 6:30 p.m.

Kristoffersen On A Roll: Freshman Martin

Kristoffersen (Fr., Porstgrunn, Norway), who has played at both #5 and #6 singles this season for the Maroon and Gold, has reeled off eight consecutive victories over the past six weeks to raise his record on the season to 18-10. Kristoffersen, who last lost a singles match on Feb. 10 to Damir Seferovic of Iowa, has a dual match record of 11-2, with a 5-1 mark at #5 singles and a 6-1 record at #6 singles.

Top Individual/Doubles Records To Date: The following is a summary of the top singles and doubles records for the Golden Gopher men's tennis team thus far in the 1995-96 season. For a complete list of all singles and doubles records, please access the men's tennis cell on the fax-on-demand system, cell 2270.

Ben Gabler (Jr., Chambersburg, Pa.)	21-13
Martin Kristoffersen (Fr., Porstgrunn, Norway)	18-10
Lars Hjarrand (Jr., Oslo, Norway)	19-11
Tom Chicoine (Fr., Neenah, Wis.)	21-16
Erik Donley (Sr., Duluth, Minn.)	16-14
Donley/Hjarrand	15-7
Chicoine/Kristoffersen	9-9



**TRACK &
FIELD**

Tracksters Travel to Texas: After a weekend off, the Gopher track & field team will depart for the Texas Relays this weekend.

Athletes competing in Texas will include NCAA provisional qualifier in the mile, senior **Paul Michalek** (Bloomington, Minn.). Michalek is scheduled to run in two relays, as he will be joined in the distance medley relay by **Travis Nordrum** (Sr., Bloomer, Wis.), **Scott Beadle** (Jr., Moorhead, Minn.) and **Kevin Dunbar** (Jr., Brockville, Ont.), and the same group is scheduled to run the 4x800m relay.

NCAA Indoor qualifier **Tyler McCormick** (So., White Bear Lake, Minn.) and fellow sophomore **Wil Kurth** (Rochester, Minn.) will participate in the high jump, and NCAA Indoor qualifier **Vesa Rantanen** (Fr., Virrat, Finland) and junior **Seth Mischke** (Worland, Wyo.) will compete in the pole vault.

A small group of Gopher athletes will also compete in the Macalester Invitational this weekend.

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball

Record: 10-12-0

Home: 4-3-0

Away: 6-9-0

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Mar. 23	@ S.E. Louisiana	W 19-17
Mar. 24	@ S.E. Louisiana	W 9-6
Mar. 29	@ Purdue	W 9-4
Mar. 30	@ Purdue	L 8-2, W 6-1

Minnesota Golden Gopher Baseball

Record: 10-12-0 Home: 4-3-0 Away: 6-9-0

Hitting Stats

Name	AB	R	H	Avg	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO
Smith	42	8	15	.357	2	0	1	12	0	10
Keeney	76	23	27	.355	3	0	0	7	14	9
McDermott	57	9	20	.351	7	0	0	10	7	14
Guse	74	15	25	.338	5	1	1	19	13	2
Stein	81	15	27	.333	3	1	0	13	10	14
Huls	83	21	26	.313	5	0	0	8	12	15
Quinlan	93	15	29	.312	5	3	0	19	1	13
Selander	26	3	8	.308	1	1	0	7	2	4
Welter	87	19	25	.287	3	0	0	20	10	11
Horton	52	6	12	.231	2	0	0	6	4	12
Mahady	41	7	9	.220	1	0	0	3	7	7
Griffin	14	6	3	.214	1	0	0	1	5	3
Groebner	16	3	3	.188	2	0	0	3	5	5
Beers	24	2	3	.125	1	0	0	2	2	11
Skovran	2	1	0	.000	0	0	0	0	1	1
Totals	768	154	233	.303	41	6	2	131	94	130
Opp.	756	160	236	.312	56	10	18	137	93	160

Pitching Stats

Name	W-L	ERA	GP	GS	CG	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Pautz	1-0	0.00	4	1	0	0	10.1	5	1	0	1	10
DeWitt	0-0	0.00	2	0	0	0	5.0	6	4	0	0	5
Leatherman	0-0	0.00	1	0	0	0	0.1	0	0	0	1	0
Felling	0-0	3.44	10	0	0	1	13.1	19	9	5	8	6
Kearin	0-2	3.72	8	1	0	3	12.1	11	10	5	12	5
Pederson	3-2	4.20	7	6	0	0	45.0	49	31	21	27	49
Zrust	1-0	4.50	7	0	0	0	12.0	20	11	6	2	12
Diebolt	3-2	6.60	10	4	0	1	30.0	38	25	22	12	33
Werner	0-0	7.50	1	2	0	0	1.2	0	1	1	0	3
Dobis	2-3	7.56	6	6	0	0	26.2	40	28	22	9	12
Westfall	0-2	9.89	6	2	0	0	18.2	28	22	20	10	20
Freeman	0-1	17.00	5	2	0	0	9.0	20	18	17	7	6
Totals	10-12	5.82	22	22	0	5	184.1	236	160	119	93	160
Opp.	12-10	5.38	22	22	1	7	189.0	233	154	113	94	130