



GOLDEN GOPHER MEN'S ATHLETICS

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THIS WEEK IN GOPHER SPORTS

Tues., Oct. 7

- **Golf** at Nike Northwest Classic
Corvallis, Ore.
9:30 a.m.

Fri., Oct. 10

- **Tennis** at Thunderbird Classic
(split squad) Tempe, Ariz.
All Day

MSC
KSTP-Radio (1500)
7:05 p.m.

Thur., Oct. 9

- **Tennis** at Thunderbird Classic
(split squad) Tempe, Ariz.
All Day

Sat., Oct. 11

- **Cross Country** at Murray Keatinge Inv.
Orono, Maine
10 a.m.

Fri., Oct. 10

- **Golf** at Coca-Cola Classic
Las Cruces, N.M.
8:30 a.m./2:30 p.m.

- **Football** vs. Purdue
Metrodome
MSC
WCCO-Radio (830)
6 p.m.

- **Hockey** vs. Michigan (exh)
Hall of Fame Game
Target Center

- **Golf** at Coca-Cola Classic
Las Cruces, N.M.
9:00 a.m.

DID YOU KNOW?

The doubles team of sophomore **Martin Michalowski** and freshman **Tyson Parry** have won two brackets in as many tournaments this season? Most recently, Michalowski and Parry won the doubles "A" flight at the BellSouth Mobility Tennis Classic in Lafayette, La., this past weekend. The pair, both native Canadians, has posted a 7-1 record in tournament play to lead the team.

WEEKLY RELEASES

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing four separate releases during the 1997-98 academic year. Football, basketball and hockey information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.

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, October 7:
Football Coach **Glen Mason's** weekly news conference (1 p.m., CST)

Wednesday, October 8:
Hockey Coach **Doug Woog**

Thursday, October 9:
Senior quarterback **Cory Sauter**

Friday, October 10:
Senior hockey forward **Casey Hankinson**

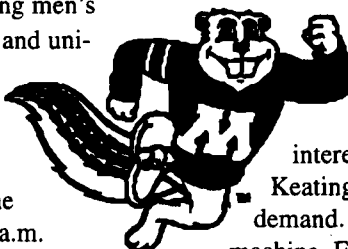
Saturday, October 11:
Hockey Coach **Doug Woog's** Michigan postgame comments

Sunday, October 12: Football Coach **Glen Mason's** Purdue postgame comments

CROSS COUNTRY

EAST COAST SWING: The men's cross country team travels to Orono, Maine, Saturday, Oct. 11, to compete at the Murray Keatinge Invitational, marking the first time the cross country team will compete on the East Coast in a regular-season invitational. The last time any Golden Gopher graced the East Coast was when Curt Kotsonas ran at the 1993 NCAA Championships in Lehigh, Pa.

MORE ON MAINE: Twenty-six teams, including men's and women's participants, from 16 different colleges and universities, will be on hand to compete in Maine • Eleven of the 16 hail from outside the New England Region • Schools in attendance from the Big Ten Conference include Michigan, the 1995 winner, Purdue, the 1992 winner, and Iowa • Stanford won the competition in 1996 • The men's race starts at 10:00 a.m.



PULLING FOR POLSON: Sophomore **JEREMY POLSON** (Duluth, Minn.) has been the top runner for Minnesota in both meets thus far. The Duluth-Denfield High School graduate placed ninth at the Roy Griak Invitational, the highest finish by a U of M runner in eight years, and set a new Lester Park Course record with his individual championship at the Lester Park Invitational in Duluth, Minn. Sept. 13. (25:36.8).

POLL WATCH: Minnesota entered last week's national cross country poll at No. 22. To track the Golden Gophers' progress, you can access the poll every Tuesday afternoon via internet at:
www.infosys.ilstu.edu/Redbirds/TF/XCPoll.html.

AND HOW ABOUT RESULTS?: For anyone interested in retrieving cross country results from the Murray Keatinge Invitational, scores will be available via fax-on-demand. Dial (201) 585-5405 from the handset of your fax machine. Enter document number 1672.

IT'S GOOD TO BE RANKED: Although Minnesota isn't king of the course just yet, the good fortune of the nation's polls last week puts them in contention. The Golden Gophers entered the polls at No. 22, marking the first time in over 10 years that the U of M men's cross country team is among the top 25. The Golden Gophers knocked off four nationally-ranked teams in its third-place finish at the Roy Griak Invitational Saturday, Sept. 27.

SCOREBOARD

	UMD	Griak
Josh Brang	26:44.2 (11th)	26:17.1 (71st)
Matt Carter	27:09.4 (18th)	26:44.8 (32nd)#
Nate Clay	27:28.3 (21st)	26:12.5 (16th)#
Joey Corr	26:13.8 (5th)	DNC
M. Donnerbauer	27:02.9 (15th)	27:31.5 (87th)#
Eric Hartmark	26:30.4 (7th)	25:53.3 (57th)
Ron Hoffner	28:05.6 (34th)	DNC
Chad Johnson	26:05.1 (2nd)	25:11.3 (16th)
Todd Landgraff	26:40.6 (10th)	25:44.9 (47th)
Charles McClure	26:08.7 (3rd)	25:23.9 (27th)
Jason Owen	DNC	27:27.4 (77th)
Eric Pierce	26:18.1 (6th)	25:30.2 (33rd)
Jeremy Polson	25:36.8* (1st)	24:58.5 (9th)
Tony Riter	26:34.0 (8th)	26:08.4 (70th)
Chris Rogers	27:36.7 (26th)	27:25.2 (70th)#
Chuck Smith	28:23.5 (43rd)	27:13.8 (61st)#
Phil Smith	28:04.1 (32nd)	26:52.0 (40th)#
Mike Stoick	26:09.7 (4th)	25:28.3 (32nd)

* new Lester Park course record (Duluth, Minn.)
ran the Maroon Race as "Team Minnesota"

LAST TIME

ROY GRIAK INVITATIONAL GOLD RACE (St. Paul, Minn.)

Sept. 27, 1997

Place	Team	Points	Place of Finishers				
1	Wisconsin	68	4	8	13	20	23
2	Weber State	86	6	11	12	16	31
3	Minnesota	117	9	16	27	32	33
4	Iowa State	121	2	14	22	24	59
5	E. Michigan	168	10	29	37	42	50
6	Illinois State	200	15	21	43	48	73
7	Providence	203	1	36	49	56	61
8	Colorado St.	209	19	34	41	52	63
9	Nebraska	212	3	5	58	67	79
10	Air Force	226	38	39	40	45	64
11	N. Arizona	252	7	30	44	77	94
12	Boston Coll.	265	18	51	60	65	71
13	Wyoming	287	17	54	62	76	78
14	Kansas State	319	35	46	74	81	83
15	Marquette	377	53	72	75	84	93

TOP MINNESOTA RUNNERS (Gold Race)

Place	Runner	Time
9	Polson	24:58.5
16	C. Johnson	25:11.3
27	McClure	25:23.9
32	Stoick	25:28.3
33	Pierce	25:30.2
47	Landgraff	25:44.9
57	Hartmark	25:53.3

GOLF

DOUBLE DIP: The U of M golf team will take a stab at two tournaments in one week of action as it travels to Corvallis, Ore., for the Nike Northwest Classic, Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 6-7, and Las Cruces, N.M., for the Coca-Cola Classic Friday and Saturday, Oct. 10-11. Head Coach John Means will compete the same group of five golfers at both tournaments. Senior **ROB KERR** (Pointe-Claire, Quebec) will try for his third and fourth tournament titles of the fall, while **MARTIN LE MESURIER** (So., Hampshire, England), **ANDY KOMOR** (Jr., New Brighton, Minn.), **BILL THOMPSON** (Jr., Wayzata, Minn.) and **JEFF BARNEY** (Jr., Appleton, Minn.) will all try to lift the team to its third and fourth consecutive titles of the season.



NIKE NUMBERS: The Trysting Tree Golf Club features 7,100 yards of course and carries a par of 72. Each university will play a team of five golfers, with the four best scores per round accounting for the team's point total. Thirty-six holes will be played Monday, while the final 18 will tee off at 9:30 a.m. Tuesday.

AGGIE ACTION: The Coca-Cola Classic will feature 21 teams, with the majority of the competition coming from west of Minnesota, and three of the teams, not including the Golden Gophers, golfing at the Nike Northwest Classic. The tourney will kick off with 36 holes on Friday starting at 8:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., and 18 holes on Saturday beginning at 9:00 a.m. The University Golf Course is 7,040 yards and a par 72.

HOW TO GET RESULTS: The Nike Northwest and Coca-Cola Classic results will be available via fax-on-demand. For Nike Northwest scores dial (503) 614-4044 from the handset of your fax machine. Follow the prompts and request cell number 141651. For Coca-Cola Classic scores dial (770) 399-3066. Enter 292 and request cell number

1463.

BEAVER DAM: Minnesota caught a glimpse of the future when the Golden Gophers and the Beavers of Oregon State shared the links at the ReliaStar Invitational, Sept. 14-15. While the U of M took first, OSU finished 6th, and the two teams again will match up in the field of 21 teams at the Nike Northwest Classic. Fourteen of the 21 teams are West Coast schools, while eight of those are from California. Two schools from Texas will be in attendance, while Drake and Minnesota represent the Midwest and Alabama-Birmingham is lone representative from the South. No. 19 Brigham Young will be on hand to defend its Nike title from a year ago.

SCOREBOARD

TOP FIVE GOLFERS

	TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
1. Rob Kerr	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	70/68/71	216	209/1st out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	74/65/71	216	210/1st out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Fall Rounds: 6	Strokes: 419	Average: 69.8	
2. Justin Royer	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite*	72/77/69	216	218/T15th out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Fall Rounds: 3	Strokes: 218	Average: 72.7	
3. Bill Thompson	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	71/73/71	216	215/T6th out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	76/72/75	216	223/T18th out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Fall Rounds: 6	Strokes: 438	Average: 73.0	
3. Andy Komor	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	72/71/72	216	215/T6th out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	74/73/76	216	223/T18th out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Fall Rounds: 6	Strokes: 438	Average: 73.0	
3. Bob Brink	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite*	75/72/72	216	219/T20th out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Fall Rounds: 3	Strokes: 219	Average: 73.0	

LAST TIME

NORTHERN INTERCOLLEGIATE (East Lansing, Mich)

(Sept. 27-28)

Teams	Scores		
Kent State University	286	289	293--868
Minnesota	296	288	294--878
Miami-Ohio	291	298	289--878
Ball State University	299	296	292--887
Michigan	292	296	300--888
Toledo	305	295	296--896
Xavier	298	300	299--897
Purdue	305	298	302--905
Eastern Michigan	304	299	307--910
Indiana	306	301	304--911
Michigan State	306	303	305--914
Wisconsin	310	297	312--919
Illinois	309	311	300--920
Iowa	305	307	309--921
Wright State University	308	309	305--922
Penn State	306	312	307--925
Marshall University	313	310	303--926

Top Golden Gopher Finishers

Players	Scores
Rob Kerr	74-65-71--210
Martin Le Mesurier	72-78-73--223
Andy Komor	74-73-76--223
Bill Thompson	76-72-75--223
Jeff Barney	79-78-75--232

TENNIS

DESERT DEVILS: Minnesota will send its top three players to the Thunderbird Classic at Arizon State University in Tempe, Ariz., this weekend, Friday through Sunday, Oct. 9-11. **TOM CHICOINE** (Jr., Neenah, Wis.), **ADAM SELKIRK** (Jr., St. Joseph, Mo.) and **JORGE DUENAS** (Fr., Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic) will represent the Golden Gophers.

OH, CANADA: The doubles team of sophomore **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** and freshman **TYSON PARRY**, both native Canadians, have won the two doubles brackets they entered this fall. Michalowski, who hails from Ottawa, Ontario, and Parry, a native of Chatham, Ontario, captured the BellSouth Mobility Classic doubles "A" flight title, Oct. 5 in Lafayette, La., by knocking off Southwestern Louisiana's hometown favorites, Rafael Fontes and Ricardo Diniz, 9-7. En route to the finals, the duo defeated the tourney's No. 3-seeded team of Dirk Reinhardt and Andreas Tiltcher from Southern Mississippi, 9-8. Michalowski and Parry have a 7-1 tournament record to lead the team.



before being eliminated by Arkansas-Little Rock's pair of Felipe McClusky and Juan Ros, 8-6. Kristoffersen and Svensson have a fall record of 2-1.

PASSPORT, PLEASE: In addition to the Canadians, Michalowski and Parry, and the Scandinavians, Kristoffersen and Svensson, Minnesota boasts a South American and a Central American on the roster, making six of the ten Golden Gopher tennis players from outside of the United States. Freshman **ED MARQUES**, who played tennis in Florida, originally hails from Brasillia, Brazil while freshman **JORGE DUENAS** is a native to the Dominican Republic. This year's freshmen class is solely non-native Americans (Parry, Svensson, Marques and Duenas).

SCANDINAVIAN SUCCESS: Minnesota's other proximity doubles paring of Norwegian native **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** (Jr., Portsgrunn, Norway) and Swedish import **JON SVENSSON** (Fr., Kristianstad, Sweden) came close to making a Minnesota doubles sweep at the BellSouth Mobility Tennis Classic. Kristoffersen and Svensson held out until the semifinals of the doubles "B" flight

SCOREBOARD

Singles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Tom Chicoine	4-1		4-1						
Jorge Duenas	2-2		2-2						
Jon Svensson	2-3		2-3						
Adam Selkirk	4-1		4-1						
M. Michalowski	4-2		4-2						
Tyson Parry	3-4		3-4						
Aaron Dvorak	1-3		1-3						
M. Kristoffersen	1-1		1-1						
Ed Marques	0-5		0-5						
Voke Okoh	0-2		0-2						

Doubles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Parry/Svensson									
Chicoine/Mich'ski									
Duenas/Selkirk									
Marques/Dvorak	1-1		1-1						
Chicoine/Duenas	2-1		2-1						
Michalowski/Parry	7-1		7-1						
Selkirk/Svensson	2-1		2-1						
Marques/Okoh	1-1		1-1						

LAST TIME

BELLSOUTH MOBILITY TENNIS CLASSIC (Lafayette, La.) (Oct. 3-5)

Singles	Player	Last Rd.	Result	Draw
	Jon Svensson	2nd Round	L-Zak Blanchard, 6-4, 6-4	"A"
	M. Michalowski	Quarters	L-No. 67 R. Fontes, 6-3, 2-6, 7-6 (8)	"A"
	Tyson Parry	1st Round	L-Steven Blundell, 6-4, 6-1	"A" Consols
	M. Kristoffersen	2nd Rd.	L-Sasha Silver, 6-2, 6-4	"B"
	Ed Marques	1st Round	L-Simon Viot, 6-4, 7-5	"B" Consols
	Voke Okoh	1st Round	L-Tony Prudent, 6-2, 6-1	"B" Consols

Doubles	Team	Last Rd.	Result	Draw
	Mich'ski/Parry	Finals	W-Fontes/Diniz, 9-7	"A"
	Krist'sen/Svensson	Semis	L-McClusky/Ros, 8-6	"B"

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FANS ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE IN NATIONAL CHILD IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM SATURDAY

This Saturday when the Golden Gopher football team takes on the Purdue Boilermakers at the Metrodome, the first 12,000 parents, grandparents, or legal guardians in attendance will receive free Child Identification Kits as part of the University of Minnesota's participation in the American Football Coaches Association National Child Identification Program.

AFCA is distributing more than 2.4 million Child Identification Kits in college stadiums nationwide during the 1997 season, making the program the largest community service project in the nation. The kits themselves contain an inkless process for finger printing with spaces to list each child's identifying marks, doctor's phone numbers, etc. The information will be kept by parents and will be provided to law enforcement authorities in case of emergency.

The U.S. Department of Justice studies indicate that each year 450,000 children run away from home, 354,000 children are abducted by family members, and 4,600 children are abducted by non-family members. The National Child Identification Program is expected to reach more than 20 million children in the next five years.

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TICKETS REMAINING FOR FRIDAY NIGHT HOCKEY GAME

There are approximately 3,000 tickets remaining (as of Tuesday morning) for Friday evening's U.S. Hockey Hall of Fame hockey game between the University of Minnesota and the University of Michigan at Target Center.

Tickets can be purchased by calling Ticketmaster at (612) 989-5151 or in person at the Target Center box office.



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**MEN'S GOLF TEAM RANKED NUMBER EIGHT IN THE NATION
Minnesota Only Big Ten Team In Top 25; Kerr Ranked #18 Individually**

The University of Minnesota men's golf team is ranked eighth in the nation in the latest MasterCard Collegiate Golf Rankings released on Monday afternoon. The Golden Gophers won the ReliaStar Collegiate Invitational, which they hosted from Sept. 14-15 at Dellwood Hills Golf Club, followed by a strong runner-up finish at the Northern Invitational in East Lansing, Mich., on Sept. 27-28.

Senior captain Rob Kerr of Pointe Claire, Quebec, Canada is ranked 18th individually in the nation in the men's individual ratings. Kerr took home medalist honors in each of the team's first two tournaments. Junior Bill Thompson of Wayzata, Minn. is listed 71st on the top 100 individual list, with junior Jeff Barney holding the 82nd slot.

Minnesota is the only Big Ten team to appear on the top 25 list. The rankings, sponsored by MasterCard, are released every two weeks during the fall season and weekly during the spring season.

The Golden Gophers are idle from competition until traveling to Phoenix, Ariz. for the Alumni Challenge on Feb. 7, 1998.

(team and individual rankings on next page)


Team Rankings-Top 20

Rank	School	Points
1	Arkansas	91.867
2	Georgia Tech	91.600
3	Arizona	83.733
4	Oklahoma State	81.950
5	Texas-El Paso	73.000
6	Brigham Young	72.450
7	Clemson	68.350
8	Minnesota	67.600
9	Nevada	62.800
10	California	62.400
11	UNLV	59.450
12	Colorado State	56.850
13	Georgia	54.167
14	South Carolina	52.267
15	Oklahoma	52.100
16	Houston	51.317
17	New Mexico	50.743
18	Washington	44.850
19	TCU	39.846
20	Auburn	36.830

Individual Rankings-Top 20

Rank	Individual	School	Votes
1	Edward Loar	Oklahoma State	97.250
2	Bryce Molder	Georgia Tech	88.300
3	Rory Sabbatini	Arizona	86.000
4	Andy Barnes	Arizona	77.050
5	Derek Gillespie	Arizona	75.300
6	Doug LaBelle	New Mexico	71.250
7	Scott Mendelsohn	Colorado State	67.200
8	Chad Wellhausen	Mississippi State	67.150
9	Charley Hoffman	UNLV	63.350
10	Andy Miller	Brigham Young	62.500
11	B.J. Schlagenhauf	UCLA	62.400
12	Chris Thompson	Kansas	61.800
13	Reid Edstrom	Auburn	60.150
14	Michael Morrison	Georgia	59.950
15	Jeremy Parrott	Georgia	59.550
16	Jon Whitaker	Arkansas	58.367
17	Michael Boyd	Tulsa	54.850
18	Rob Kerr	Minnesota	52.900
19	Hunter Haas	Oklahoma	49.554
20	Ryan Vermeer	Kansas	48.900
71	Bill Thompson	Minnesota	25.260
82	Jeff Barney	Minnesota	21.450

SPORTS NEWS

The Golden Gopher mascot is positioned behind the word "SPORTS" in the "SPORTS NEWS" title. The mascot is a cartoon gopher wearing a dark sweater with a white "M" on the chest and a white scarf. It is holding a golf club and has its right arm raised in a fist. The mascot is positioned behind the word "SPORTS" in the "SPORTS NEWS" title.

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**GOPHERS FOOTBALL GAME WITH WISCONSIN TO BE ON ESPN2;
KICKOFF CHANGED TO 11:30 A.M.**


The kickoff for the University of Minnesota football game vs. Wisconsin on Oct. 25 at the Metrodome has been changed to 11:30 a.m. (Central).

Originally scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. (Central), the game will be televised on ESPN2, thus prompting the change. It marks the first nationally-televised game for the Golden Gophers' this season.

Reminder: The Penn State game on Saturday, Oct. 18, has been changed to 11:20 a.m. (Central).

Originally scheduled to begin at 12:05 p.m. (Central), the game will be the ESPN Regional Big Ten Game of the Week and will be televised locally on WCCO-TV (Channel 4) with the pregame show beginning at 11 a.m.

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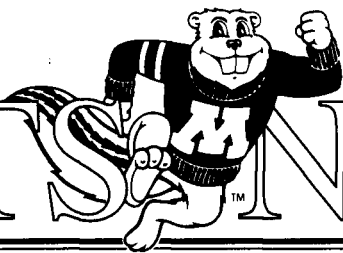
BRENT GODBOUT LEAVES U OF M HOCKEY TEAM

The University of Minnesota men's hockey program announced on Thursday that senior forward Brent Godbout of Woodbury, Minn., has decided to leave the team.

Godbout's decision to leave the program was based on his priority to concentrate on his classwork as he pursues his degree in an individually designed program at the U of M.

"Brent is a class act who comes from a good family, and he decided at this point of his life that he was better served concentrating on his education, getting his degree and preparing for life after hockey," said Golden Gopher Head Coach Doug Woog. "We thank him for his hard work and dedication to the program and wish him the best in the future."

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HOCKEY OPENER; MIDNIGHT MADNESS ACTIVITIES PLANNED

The University of Minnesota men's athletics department, in conjunction with The New Dodge and ReliaStar, are sponsoring a big night of Golden Gopher men's athletics on Friday evening at Mariucci Arena and Williams Arena.

A pre-game tailgating party at 5:30 p.m. will be the prelude to the Golden Gopher men's hockey home opener against Maine at Mariucci Arena. Free hot dogs and brats will be provided on the front lawn of Mariucci prior to the Golden Gophers' regular season opener. Faceoff for the first game in the two-game weekend series against the Black Bears will be 7:35 p.m.

Following the hockey game, the public is invited across the street to Williams Arena as the men's basketball team hosts their first practice of the season at Midnight Madness. The activities at "The Barn" begin with a concert by the Honeydogs at 10:30 p.m., followed by a student three-point shooting and student slam-dunk contest. Winners in the various contests can win a \$10,000 scholarship, a one-year lease on a Dodge Neon, vouchers for Sun Country Airlines, and other valuable prizes. The doors to Williams Arena will open at 10 p.m., and admission is free to the public.



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Sun., Oct. 18

- **Cross Country** at Iowa 3-Way
 Iowa City, Iowa
 10:00 a.m.

- **Swimming & Diving** vs. Intr Squad
 Aquatic Center
 Noon

- **Football** at Penn State
 University Park, Pa.
 ESPN Regional TV/WCCO-TV
 (Ch. 4)
 WCCO Radio (830)
 11:20 a.m.

DID YOU KNOW?

The University of Minnesota men's cross country team has been nationally ranked the past two weeks? The Golden Gopher harriers broke into the top 25 at No. 22 the week ending Oct. 4, their first national ranking in over 10 years. Last week the Maroon and Gold moved up a notch to 21st. After a fifth-place showing at the Murray Keating Invitational in Maine Saturday, Minnesota can count on being in this week's national poll released Tuesday.

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 Quarterbacks **Cory Sauter** and **Billy Cockerham** and linebacker **Parc Williams**
- Thursday, October 16:
 Hockey Coach **Doug Woog** previews Maine

- Friday, October 17:
 Senior hockey goaltender **Steve DeBus**
- Saturday, October 18:
 Hockey Coach **Doug Woog's** Maine postgame comments
- Sunday, October 19: Football Coach **Glen Mason's** Penn State postgame comments

CROSS COUNTRY

CONFERENCE CATCH UP: The Iowa 3-Way marks the official end to Minnesota's regular-season schedule before the Big Ten Championships, although the Golden Gophers host an open meet, the Marathon 5K, at Les Bolstad Golf Course on Oct. 25. According to the last national poll, five Big Ten schools, including Minnesota, were among the nation's top 25. Michigan led the pack at No. 3, followed by Wisconsin at No. 6, Michigan State at No. 9, Iowa at No. 20 and Minnesota at No. 24.

Looking ahead, the Ohio State Buckeyes will host the Big Ten Championships, Nov. 1.

THREE-WAY STREET: The No. 21 men's cross country team heads to Iowa City, Iowa for the Iowa 3-Way Saturday, Oct. 18, at the Finkbine Golf Course. Host Iowa will be joined by Illinois, Auburn and Minnesota to make up the competition field. The event gets underway at 10:00 a.m.

RANK 'EM: Although Minnesota isn't king of the course just yet, the good fortune of the nation's polls Tuesday puts them in contention. The Golden Gophers entered the polls at No. 22, marking the first time in over 10 years that the U of M men's cross country team is among the top 25. This week the Maroon and Gold are 24th.



POLL WATCH: To track the Golden Gophers' progress in the national polls, you can access the information every Tuesday afternoon via internet at: www.infosys.ilstu.edu/Redbirds/TF/XCPoll.html.

JOHNSON'S JEWEL: Senior transfer **CHAD JOHNSON** (Chetek, Wis.) was Minnesota's top finisher Saturday, Oct. 11, at the Murray Keatinge Invitational in Orono, Maine. Johnson has improved his time in each race he has run this season, placing 13th for the Golden Gophers with a time of 24:20.0, almost a full three minutes shorter than his first race of the year. Johnson was a Division III All-American last season at UW-Stevens Point.

SCOREBOARD

	Griak	Maine
Josh Brang	26:17.1 (71st)	25:19.40 (49th)
Matt Carter	26:44.8 (32nd)#	DNC
Nate Clay	26:12.5 (16th)#	DNC
Joey Corr	DNC	DNC
M. Donnerbauer	27:31.5 (87th)#	DNC
Eric Hartmark	25:53.3 (57th)	26:18.4 (92nd)
Ron Hoffner	DNC	DNC
Chad Johnson	25:11.3 (16th)	24:20.0 (13th)+
Todd Landgraff	25:44.9 (47th)	25:24.2 (54th)
Charles McClure	25:23.9 (27th)	24:56.0 (24th)
Jason Owen	27:27.4 (77th)	DNC
Eric Pierce	25:30.2 (33rd)	24:56.0 (25th)
Jeremy Polson	24:58.5 (9th)+	25:18.1 (47th)
Tony Riter	26:08.4 (70th)	25:06.2 (35th)
Chris Rogers	27:25.2 (70th)#	DNC
Chuck Smith	27:13.8 (61st)#	DNC
Phil Smith	26:52.0 (40th)#	DNC
Mike Stoick	25:28.3 (32nd)	25:05.8 (34th)

ran the Maroon Race as "Team Minnesota"
+ led the team

LAST TIME

Murray Keatinge Invitational (Orono, Maine) Oct. 11, 1997

Place	Team	Points	Place of Finishers				
1	Michigan	27	1	2	6	7	11
2	Arizona	91	3	15	22	23	28
3	Iowa	112	5	8	14	40	45
4	Will. & Mary	125	4	19	29	32	41
5	Minnesota	131	13	24	25	34	35
6	Alabama	142	9	12	30	39	52
7	Butler	162	10	18	27	51	56
8	Dartmouth	196	20	21	48	53	54
9	Purdue	235	31	36	37	65	66
10	New Hampsh.	278	16	60	63	69	70
11	Maine	323	33	55	72	78	85
12	Ball State	330	43	58	68	79	82
13	Holy Cross	359	26	75	81	84	93
14	C. Connecticut	444	80	87	89	92	96

TOP MINNESOTA RUNNERS

Place	Runner	Time
13	C. Johnson	24:21.8
24	McClure	24:56.5
25	Pierce	24:59.5
34	Stoick	25:07.5
35	Riter	25:07.9
47	Polson	25:19.4
49	Brang	25:20.40
92	Hartmark	26:22.8

GOLF

WINTER HIBERNATION: The U of M golf team will take a five-month hiatus since concluding its fall season Saturday, Oct. 11. Minnesota ended the first part of its year with a second-place finish at the Coca-Cola Classic in Las Cruces, N.M. The Golden Gophers will resume action Feb. 15-16 at the Bridges All-American in Bay St. Louis, Miss.

Over the course of the fall, the Maroon and Gold captured the ReliaStar title at Dellwood Hills Golf Course, in addition to two second-place finishes (Northern Collegiate and Coca-Cola Classic) and a 13th-place tie at the Nike Northwest Classic. Senior **ROB KERR** (Pointe Claire, Quebec) led the pack with two individual titles (ReliaStar and Northern Collegiate) and a 72.3 stroke average. Junior **BILL THOMPSON** (Wayzata, Minn.) and sophomore **MARTIN LE MESURIER** (Hampshire, England) followed Kerr to round out the Golden Gophers' top three leaders.



NIKE NOTES: The University of Minnesota men's golf team finished tied for 13th in a strong field of 22 teams after three rounds of the Nike Northwest Invitational hosted by Oregon State University, at the Trysting Tree Golf Club in Corvallis, Ore., Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 6-7. Thompson led the Golden Gophers with a 1-over par 217, good for a tie for 10th place individually, after a final round of 1-under par 71 at the par-72 course.

'CAPPING THE COCA-COLA: Minnesota finished second Saturday at the Coca-Cola Classic in Las Cruces, N.M. The Golden Gophers climbed from eighth place where they stood at the end of the first two rounds on Friday night to second place after shooting a 3-over par final round of 291. Minnesota's total of 880 was 17 strokes off the lead of winner Texas-El Paso, which carded a 863 in three rounds.

Le Mesurier and Thompson were Minnesota's top finishers. Le Mesurier shot a a three-round total of 219 to take 12th overall. Thompson finished in a three-way tie for 13th with a total of 220.

IN THE RANKINGS: The University of Minnesota men's golf team is tied for 22nd in the nation in the latest MasterCard Collegiate Golf Rankings released on Wednesday, Oct. 8.

Kerr is ranked 16th individually in the nation in the men's individual ratings. Kerr took home medalist honors in each of the team's first two tournaments.

Minnesota and Northwestern, who are tied for the 22nd slot, are the only two Big Ten teams to appear on the top 25 list.

SCOREBOARD

TOP FIVE GOLFERS

	TOURNAMENT	SCORES	PAR	FINAL/FINISH
1. Rob Kerr	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	70/68/71	216	209/1st out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	74/65/71	216	210/1st out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Nike Northwest Classic	75/76/75	216	226/T56th out of 110
Oct. 6-7	Coca-Cola Classic	73/79/70	216	222/T19th out of 111
Oct. 10-11	Fall Rounds: 12	Strokes: 867	Average: 72.3	
2. Bill Thompson	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	71/73/71	216	215/T6th out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	76/72/75	216	223/T18th out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Nike Northwest Classic	72/74/71	216	217/T10th out of 110
Oct. 6-7	Coca-Cola Classic	71/73/76	216	220/T13th out of 111
Oct. 10-11	Fall Rounds: 12	Strokes: 875	Average: 72.9	
3. M. Le Mesurier	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	78/74/70	216	222/T32nd out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	72/78/73	216	223/T18th out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Nike Northwest Classic	79/73/75	216	227/T59th out of 110
Oct. 6-7	Coca-Cola Classic	72/74/73	216	219/12th out of 111
Oct. 10-11	Fall Rounds: 12	Strokes: 891	Average: 74.3	
4. Jeff Barney	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	71/73/70	216	214/T4th out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	79/78/75	216	232/T53rd out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Nike Northwest Classic	78/76/74	216	228/T70th out of 110
Oct. 6-7	Fall Rounds: 9	Strokes: 674	Average: 74.9	
5. Andy Komor	ReliaStar Collegiate Invite	72/71/72	216	215/T6th out of 65
Sept. 14-15	Northern Collegiate Invite	74/73/76	216	233/T18th out of 90
Sept. 27-28	Nike Northwest Classic	76/79/82	216	237/T99th out of 110
Oct. 6-7	Fall Rounds: 9	Strokes: 674	Average: 74.9	

LAST TIME

COCA-COLA CLASSIC (Las Cruces, N.M.)

Oct. 10-11

Final Team Totals (three rounds - par 72)

1. UTEP	288-285-290=863
2. Minnesota	289-300-291=880
3. Wichita	295-293-293=881
Washington	294-290-297=881
5. New Mex. St.	291-294-298=883
6. New Mexico	297-290-299=886
7. North Texas	292-302-294=888
8. Wyoming	298-289-302=889
9. Mississippi	293-295-301=889
10. Long Bch St.	305-291-305=901

Top Golden Gopher Finishers

Players	Place/Scores
Martin Le Mesurier	12th/72-74-73--219
Bill Thompson	T13th/71-73-76--220
Rob Kerr	T19th/73-79-70--222

TENNIS

TAKE FIVE: The Golden Gopher tennis team will have the week off after three players participated at the Thunderbird Classic in Tempe, Ariz., Thursday through Saturday, Oct. 9-11.

Senior captain **TOM CHICOINE** (Neenah, Wis.), seeded seventh, advanced the furthest in singles play, before being ousted in the quarterfinals by eventual singles winner, No. 2-seeded Simon Larose of Mississippi State, 6-1, 6-3.

Chicoine was paired with freshman **JORGE DUENAS** (Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic) in doubles action, advancing to the semifinals before bowing to Texas' eventual doubles champion team of Jack Brasington and Michael Blue, 8-3.

Junior **MARTIN KRISTOFFERSEN** (Portsgrunn, Norway) was paired with Arizona State's Brian O'Grady in doubles play. The duo made it to the finals before falling to Brasington and Blue, 8-3.



PASSPORT, PLEASE: In addition to the Canadians, Michalowski and Parry, and the Scandinavians. Kristoffersen and freshman **JON SVENSSON** (Kristianstad, Sweden), Minnesota boasts a South American and a Central American on the roster, making six of the ten Golden Gopher tennis players from outside of the United States. Freshman **ED MARQUES**, who played tennis in Florida, originally hails from Brasillia, Brazil while freshman **JORGE DUENAS** is a native to the Dominican Republic. This year's freshmen class is solely non-native Americans (Parry, Svensson, Marques and Duenas).

UP AND COMING: The Minnesota tennis team will resume its fall season at the Florida State Tournament, Friday through Sunday, Oct. 24-26, in Tallahassee, Fla.

OH, CANADA: The doubles team of sophomore **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** and freshman **TYSON PARRY**, both native Canadians, have won the two doubles brackets they entered this fall. Michalowski, who hails from Ottawa, Ontario, and Parry, a native of Chatham, Ontario, have a 7-1 tournament record to lead the team.

SCOREBOARD

Singles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Tom Chicoine	6-2		6-2						
Jorge Duenas	3-4		3-4						
Jon Svensson	2-3		2-3						
Adam Selkirk	4-1		4-1						
M. Michalowski	4-2		4-2						
Tyson Parry	3-4		3-4						
Aaron Dvorak	1-3		1-3						
M. Kristoffersen	2-3		2-3						
Ed Marques	0-5		0-5						
Voke Okoh	0-2		0-2						
Doubles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Marques/Dvorak	1-1		1-1						
Chicoine/Duenas	4-2		4-2						
Michalowski/Parry	7-1		7-1						
Selkirk/Svensson	2-1		2-1						
Marques/Okoh	1-1		1-1						

LAST TIME

ASU THUNDERBIRD CLASSIC (Tempe, Ariz.) (Oct. 9-11)

Singles

Player	Last Rd.	Result	Draw
Tom Chicoine	Quarters	L-Simon Larose, 6-1, 6-3	Main
Jorge Duenas	Quarters	L-Alex Osterrieth, 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 (3)	Consols
M. Kristoffersen	Quarters	L-Adam Webster, 6-2, 6-2	Consols

Doubles

Team	Last Rd.	Result	Draw
Chicoine/Duenas	Semis	L-Brasington/Blue, 8-3	Main
Krist'sen/O'Grady*	Finals	L-Brasington/Blue, 8-3	Main

*spilt team with Brian O'Grady from Arizona State

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BASKETBALL MEDIA DAY SET FOR OCTOBER 30; SEASON CREDENTIAL REQUESTS DUE IN ASAP

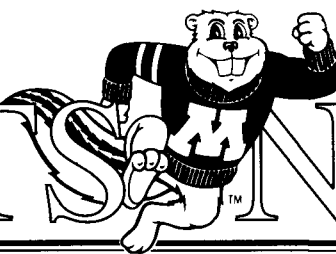
The 1997-98 Golden Gopher basketball media day is set for Thursday, Oct. 30, 1997 at noon in the Williams Arena Club Room. All season credentials will be handed out at that time, so if you have not sent in your request, please FAX or mail one on media letterhead to KAREN ZWACH in the Men's Media Relations Office.

Lunch will be served at noon. Following lunch, Head Coach Clem Haskins will preview the upcoming season. Players will be available for one-on-one interviews beginning at 2 p.m. at courtside. Please RSVP whether you will be attending Media Day to KAREN ZWACH (612) 625-4090/FAX (612) 625-0359.

Reminder: Tuesday afternoons from 2-2:45 p.m. will be the regular interview time during the season for basketball players, similar to last season. Media wishing to interview players or Coach Haskins must notify the Media Relations Office 24 hours in advance of their needs. Due to scheduling, this regularly scheduled interview day can be canceled or moved at Coach Haskins' discretion. Please keep in touch with the Media Relations Office. The weekly basketball luncheons will begin during the Big Ten season. A full schedule of those luncheons will be announced at a later date.

NOTE: Parking for Basketball Media Day will be available on the South tarmac of Williams Arena as in past years.

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MINNESOTA-MICHIGAN GAME TO BE TELEVISED ON WCCO-TV

The University of Minnesota football game at Michigan on Nov. 1 will be the ESPN Regional Big Ten Game of the Week and will be televised locally on WCCO-TV (Channel 4). The game will start at 11:20 a.m. (Central).

NOTE: A reminder that this Saturday's game against Wisconsin at the Metrodome will begin at 11:30 a.m. and be televised nationally on ESPN2.

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The 1997-98 men's basketball team will hold its annual public scrimmage this Saturday, Oct. 25, at 4 p.m. at Williams Arena. This will give many fans their only chance to see the team live before the start of the 1997-98 season. Admission to the scrimmage is \$5, and all seating is general admission. Children six and under are admitted free of charge. This may be some fans' only chance to see the basketball team live or in a better seating location due to the lack of availability of season tickets for Golden Gopher basketball. The proceeds from the scrimmage will help offset the costs of the team's planned preseason trip to Europe next summer.



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Champaign, Ill.
All Day

Sat., Nov. 1

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Columbus, Ohio
11:00 a.m.
- **Football** at Michigan
Ann Arbor, Mich.
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Sun.-Mon.,
Nov. 2-3

- **Swimming & Diving** at Iowa
Iowa City, Iowa
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- **Tennis** at Rolex Regional Tournament
Champaign, Ill.
All Day

DID YOU KNOW?

That the University of Minnesota men's swimming and diving team finished the 1996-97 regular season 8-0? It was the first time in Head Coach Dennis Dale's career at Minnesota that his team went unbeaten. The Golden Gophers went on to finish second at the conference meet behind Michigan by only a 17-point differential, the narrowest meet finish in over 10 years, and take 12th at the NCAA Championships. Minnesota begins its quest for a second Big Ten Championship in three years when it travels to Iowa

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Thursday, October 30:
Hockey Coach **Doug Woog** and senior left wing

Casey Hankinson preview the North Dakota series

Friday, October 31:
Cross Country Coach **Steve Plasencia** and senior **Chad Johnson** preview the Big Ten Championships

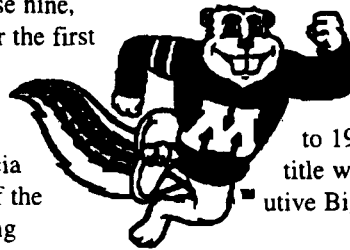
Sat.-Sun., November 1-2: Football Coach **Glen Mason's** Michigan postgame comments

CROSS COUNTRY

CHAMPIONSHIP WEEK: The No. 24 men's cross country team heads to the Big Ten Championships, Saturday, Nov. 1, in Columbus, Ohio. The Golden Gophers, who won two invitationals this fall, are one of four nationally-ranked teams on a quest for a Big Ten title. The race gets underway at 11:00 a.m.

FLASHBACK: Nine of Minnesota's runners are slated to participate at the Big Ten Championships Saturday. Of those nine, four are running in the conference championships for the first time. Under the direction of second-year Head Coach Steve Plasencia, the Golden Gophers improved two places from their ninth-place finish in 1995, to finish seventh in 1996. This season, Plasencia and his team will try to finish in the upper bracket of the Big Ten for the first time since 1994 when they strung together three straight fourth-place finishes between 1992 and 1994. The last time the Golden Gophers won the Big Ten Championships was in 1969 under Roy Griak.

Last season, All-Big Ten selection **RICK OBLEMAN** individually (Regina, Saskatchewan) took seventh overall to lead the Golden Gophers. Despite the fact Minnesota is without Obleman's services this season, the Golden Gophers have two proven runners in this year's competition in sophomore **JEREMY POLSON** (Duluth, Minn.) and senior **CHAD JOHNSON** (Chetek, Wis.). Both runners have been the top finisher for the Maroon and Gold in two meets each this season and are expected to lead the team at the Big Ten



Championships. Polson took 67th at last season's Big Ten Championships, while Johnson was the Wisconsin State University Conference champion last season with UW-Stevens Point.

1996 CHAMPIONSHIP RECAP: Wisconsin won its third straight championship and its sixth of the '90s last season in Bloomington, Ind. The Badgers put together a string of eight championships between 1985 and 1992 before the Michigan Wolverines captured the 1993 crown. Wisconsin leads the conference with 32 team championships, including 16 over the last 19 years.

Michigan's John Mortimer won the individual portion of the race with a time of 24:49.1. Mortimer's crown marked the fourth straight time a Michigan runner took the individual title. Former Wolverine Kevin Sullivan was the individual champion from 1993 to 1995. The last time a Golden Gopher took the individual title was 1971 when Garry Bjorklund claimed his third consecutive Big Ten Championship race.

RANK ORDER: According to the most recent national poll (October 21), four Big Ten teams are among the top 25. Michigan leads the conference at No. 3, followed by Wisconsin (No. 6). Michigan State (No. 7) and the Golden Gophers (No. 24).

The national poll comes out every Tuesday and can be accessed through the internet at:
www.infosys.ilstu.edu/Redbirds/TF/XCPoll.html

SCOREBOARD

	Best Time	Best Finish
Matt Carter	26:16 (10/18)	18th (9/13)
Eric Hartmark	25:24 (10/18)	5th (10/18)
Chad Johnson	24:20.0 (10/11)+&	2nd (9/13; 10/18+)
Todd Landgraff	25:24.2 (10/11)	10th (9/13)
Charles McClure	24:56.0 (10/11)	3rd (9/13)
Eric Pierce	24:56.0 (10/11)	6th (9/13)
Jeremy Polson	24:58.5 (9/27)+	1st (9.13)+&
Tony Riter	25:06.2 (10/11)	8th (9/13)
Mike Stoick	25:05.8 (10/11)	4th (9/13)

+ led the team at the meet
 & team's best time or finish this season
 (Does not include Marathon Sports 5K times)

LAST TIME

At the 1996 Big Ten Championships Indiana University

Place	Team	Points	Score of the Top Five Finishers				
1	Wisconsin	55	3	8	13	14	17
2	Michigan	63	1	2	9	24	27
3	Michigan State	83	11	12	19	20	21
4	Illinois	106	4	5	23	36	38
5	Penn State	118	6	15	26	30	41
6	Iowa	122	10	18	28	31	35
7	Minnesota	194	7	34	45	49	59
8	Indiana	201	16	40	43	47	55
9	Purdue	228	37	42	46	51	52
10	Ohio State	273	29	53	61	64	66

MINNESOTA RUNNERS

Place	Runner	Time
7	R. Obleman	25:13.8
34	T. Landgraff	25:55.1
47	T. Riter	26:24.0
51	C. McClure	26:26.6
62	M. Stoick	26:41.0
63	R. Hoffner	26:44.0
67	J. Polson	26:47.0
72	C. Anderson	27:01.6
74	A. Broderius	27:08.8

TENNIS

FALL CLASSIC: Minnesota tennis will test its skill at the ITA Rolex Regional Tournament, Friday through Monday, Oct. 31-Nov. 1 at the Atkins Tennis Center in Champaign, Ill. The Rolex, one of the granddaddy events of the fall, determines the Region IV singles and doubles champions

Participating in the Rolex will be: **TOM CHICOINE** (Jr., Neenah, Wis.), **ADAM SELKIRK** (Jr., St. Joseph, Mo.), **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (So., Ottawa, Ontario), **JORGE DUENAS** (Fr., Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic), **TYSON PARRY** (Fr., Chatham, Ontario), and **JON SVENSSON** (Fr., Kristianstad, Sweden).

FALL BACK: Last fall's Rolex singles crown was won by 16th-seeded Jamie Gordon of Purdue with a 7-6 (4), 3-6, 6-1 defeat of Notre Dame's Ryan Sachire. In doubles competition, the No. 3-seeded team of Illinois' Brady Blain and Jerry Turek upset the No. 1-seeded Purdue team of Cris James and Derek Myers, 6-4, 7-6 (4).

Chicoine, Selkirk and former Golden Gopher **BEN GABLER** each advanced to the third round of their respective singles quarters, while the doubles teams of former Golden Gopher **JOHN CHEREGI**/Chicoine and Michalowski/Kristoffersen made it to the second round in the doubles bracket.

ROLEX NOTES: *On Chicoine:* Advanced to the fourth round of the tournament as a freshman (1995) before being ousted by eventual

champion and former Golden Gopher teammate Lars Hjarrand • was defeated last season by sixth-seeded Alex Witt of Northwestern, 6-4, 6-4 • *On Selkirk:* Advanced to the second round as a freshman • fell to eventual champion Jamie Gordon of Purdue last year in the third round, 6-3, 7-6 • *On Michalowski:* Lost in the first round as a freshman • *Last time a Golden Gopher won the singles title:* Fifth-seeded Lars Hjarrand captured the '95 title in Madison, Wis., with a 7-5, 1-6, 6-3 win over Butler's Shlomo Shemesh • *Last time the Golden Gophers won the doubles title:* Erik Donley and Hjarrand took the 1994 crown in Madison, Wis., defeating Michigan's team of David Prentice and Arvid Swan.



IN THE WINNER'S BRACKET: Chicoine and Duenas each won their respective singles brackets by going 3-0 at the Seminole Fall Tennis Classic Oct. 25-26, in Tallahassee, Fla. The doubles team of Michalowski and Parry won its third tournament of the fall, going 3-0 in Florida.

SCOREBOARD

Singles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Tom Chicoine	9-2		9-2						
Jorge Duenas	6-4		6-4						
Jon Svensson	4-4		4-4						
Adam Selkirk	4-4		4-4						
M. Michalowski	6-3		6-3						
Tyson Parry	5-5		5-5						
Aaron Dvorak	1-3		1-3						
M. Kristoffersen	2-3		2-3						
Ed Marques	0-5		0-5						
Voke Okoh	0-2		0-2						
Doubles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Marques/Dvorak	1-1		1-1						
Chicoine/Duenas	5-4		5-4						
Michalowski/Parry	10-1		10-1						
Selkirk/Svensson	4-2		4-2						
Marques/Okoh	1-1		1-1						

LAST TIME

SEMINOLE FALL TENNIS CLASSIC (Tallahassee, Fla.) (Oct. 24-26)

Singles	Record	Draw
Player		
Tom Chicoine	3-0*	No. 1
Adam Selkirk	0-3	No. 2
Martin Michalowski	2-1	No. 3
Jorge Duenas	3-0*	No. 4
Tyson Parry	2-1	No. 5
Jon Svensson	2-1	No. 6

Doubles	Record	Draw
Team		
Chicoine/Duenas	1-2	No. 1
Michalowski/Parry	3-0*	No. 2
Selkirk/Svensson	2-1	No. 3

* won bracket

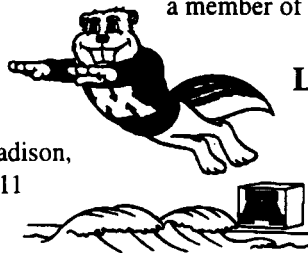
SWIMMING & DIVING

THEY'RE BACK: The University of Minnesota swimming and diving team begins its 1997-98 season with a dual meet against Iowa in Iowa City, Iowa, Saturday, Nov. 1. The Golden Gophers, who gave the Big Ten Conference its closest championship race in over 10 years when they placed 17 points behind champion Michigan at the 1997 Big Ten Championships, finished last season with an 8-0 record. Minnesota returns 15 letterwinners from last year's team, including eight All-Americans from the 12th-place NCAA Championships squad.

TAKE YOUR MARK: Freshmen **ALEX MASSURA** (Belo Horizonte, Brazil) and **CHRIS WOOD** (Madison, Wis.) are expected among the talented incoming class of 11 to make the biggest immediate impacts. According to Head Coach Dennis Dale, Massura is a "world-class freestyler and backstroker," who placed fourth with the 400 free relay team at the '96 Olympic Games in Atlanta and was a part of the three-time South American champion 400 free relay. Massura was the only tri-winner at the U of M intrasquad meet Oct. 18, as he won the 200 freestyle, 100 butterfly and 200 IM. Wood, a three-time NISCA and *Swim World* High School All-American, won two events at the intrasquad meet (100 and 200 breast).

NATIONAL HONORS: Junior NCAA All-American **MARTIN ZIELINKSI** (Bloomington, Minn.) recently was named to the 1997 USS All-America Team in the 100 fly. Zielinski, the Minnesota

school record holder and '97 Big Ten champion in the 100 fly, bettered the faster eighth-place preliminary time in that event from the 1996 Phillips 66 National Swimming Championships time at the 1997 Phillips 66 National Swimming Championships. Zielinski swam a 55.15 this past summer at the championships in Nashville, Tenn., July 26-Aug. 1. His best time in the 100 fly is the Minnesota school-record time of 47.00, which placed him fourth at the NCAA Championships and earned him NCAA All-America honors. He is the only member of the Minnesota swimming and diving team to be a member of the USS All-America Team.



LAST TIME VS. IOWA: The Golden Gophers took 14 of 16 events against Iowa, en route to a 210-89 victory at the Aquatic Center in Minneapolis, Jan. 25, 1997. Former Minnesota swimmer **MATT SCHLESSMAN** (Avon, Ohio) and current Golden Gopher **BILL BISHOP** (So., Barrington, Ill.) were both two-event winners. Zielinski was the only member of the Maroon and Gold to win three events as he captured the 100 and 200 back and 100 fly titles. It is the first meet of the season for each team.

SCOREBOARD

TOP INDIVIDUAL EVENT TIME (1996-97)

50 FREE -- 20.12*, Ty Bathurst (2nd, Big Tens)
 100 FREE -- 43.94, Matt Schlessman (prelims, Big Tens)
 200 FREE -- 1:36.84, Manolis Lentaris (prelims, Big Tens)
 500 FREE -- 4:22.96* & #, Bill Bishop (10th, NCAAs)
 1000 FREE -- 9:09.58* + #, Bill Bishop (spilt time, NCAAs)
 1650 FREE -- 15:10.55* + # \$, Bill Bishop (8th, NCAAs)
 100 BACK -- 48.68*, Martin Zielinski (prelims, Big Tens)
 200 BACK -- 1:48.53*, Martin Zielinski (1st, vs. Iowa)
 100 BREAST -- 54.96, Mitch Henke (3rd, Big Tens)
 200 BREAST -- 2:00.71, Mitch Henke (4th, Big Tens)
 100 FLY -- 47.00* + \$, Martin Zielinski (8th, NCAAs)
 200 FLY -- 1:47.22*, Martin Zielinski (prelims, Big Tens)
 200 IM -- 1:47.93*, Jono McLeod (2nd, Big Tens)
 400 IM -- 3:49.35* +, Jono McLeod (3rd, Big Tens)

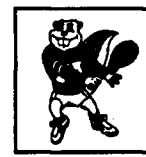
* personal best
 + Minnesota Varsity Record
 # Minnesota Freshman Record
 \$ earned All-America honors
 & earned Honorable Mention All-America honors
 swimmer is not returning

LAST TIME

RETURNING ALL-AMERICANS (1996-97)

Swimmer	Event	Place	Time	Split (relay)
Ty Bathurst	200 Medley Relay	5th	1:27.17+	24.44
	200 Free Relay (HM)	12th	1:19.77	19.94
Bill Bishop	1650 Free	8th	15:10.55+	
	500 Free (HM)	10th	4:22.96	
	800 Free Relay (HM)	10th	6:33.72	1:38.76
John Cahoy	400 Free Relay (HM)	12th	2:57.03	44.57
	800 Free Relay (HM)	10th	6:33.72	1:38.19
Eriek Hulseman	200 Medley Relay	5th	1:27.17+	22.72
	400 Med. Relay (HM)	11th	3:15.52	49.73
Luis Lopez	200 Free Relay (HM)	12th	1:19.77	20.08
	400 Free Relay (HM)	12th	2:57.03	44.54
Yoav Meiri	200 Fly (HM)	15th	1:47.88	
Jeremy Rients	200 Free Relay (HM)	12th	1:19.77	20.29
	400 Free Relay (HM)	12th	2:57.03	44.60
	800 Free Relay (HM)	10th	6:33.72	1:38.16
Martin Zielinski	200 Medley Relay	5th	1:27.17+	20.48
	100 Fly	4th	47.00+	
	400 Med. Relay (HM)	11th	3:15.52	46.61

+ Minnesota Varsity Record
 (HM) Honorable Mention honors



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THIS WEEK IN GOPHER SPORTS

Fri., Oct. 24

- **Hockey** at Minnesota-Duluth DECC (Duluth, Minn.) MSC KSTP Radio (1500) 7:05 p.m.

- **Tennis** at Florida State Invitational Tallahassee, Fla. All Day

Sat., Oct. 25

- **Cross Country** vs. Marathon Sports 5K Les Bolstad Golf Course 11:00 a.m.

- **Hockey** at Minnesota-Duluth DECC (Duluth, Minn.) MSC KSTP Radio (1500) 7:05 p.m.

Sat., Oct. 26

- **Football** vs. Wisconsin Metrodome ESPN2 WCCO Radio (830) 11:30 a.m.

- **Tennis** at Florida State Invitational Tallahassee, Fla. All Day

Sun., Oct. 26

- **Tennis** at Florida State Invitational Tallahassee, Fla. All Day

DID YOU KNOW?

The University of Minnesota men's cross country team has won two of its four invitationals this fall. The Golden Gophers won the four-team Iowa Invitational Saturday, Oct. 18. Prior to that, the Maroon and Gold won the Lester Park Invitational Oct. 13. Minnesota cross country has been in the national polls the past three weeks, most recently at No. 24 in the Tuesday, Oct. 14, poll.

WEEKLY RELEASES

The University of Minnesota Men's Media Relations Office will be producing four separate releases during the 1997-98 academic year. Football, basketball and hockey information will be covered in sport-specific weekly releases, while information on "Olympic Sports" will appear each Monday in this release. Please refer any questions to the Men's Media Relations office at (612) 625-4090.

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, October 21:
Football Coach **Glen Mason's** weekly news conference (1 p.m., CST)

Wednesday, October 22:
Quarterback **Cory Sauter** and senior wide receiver **Tutu Atwell**

Thursday, October 23:
Hockey Coach **Doug Woog** previews UMD

Friday, October 24:
Sophomore wing **Dave Spehar** and freshman defenseman **Dylan Mills**

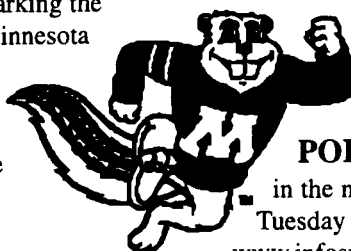
Sat.-Sun., October 25-26: Football Coach **Glen Mason's** Wisconsin postgame comments

CROSS COUNTRY

OPEN INVITE: The No. 24 Minnesota men's cross country team will participate in the Marathon Sports 5K at Les Bolstad Golf Course Saturday, Oct. 25, at 11:00 a.m. The race is open to the public and will serve as a tune up for the team before the Big Ten Championships at Columbus, Ohio, Saturday, Nov. 1.

CHAMPION, TAKE TWO: The Golden Gophers won the Iowa Invitational at Iowa City, Iowa, Saturday, Oct. 18, marking the second invitational the team has captured this fall. Minnesota won the Lester Park Invitational at Duluth, Minn., Sept. 13 to start the season. The team has made improvements in 1997, earning third- and fifth-place honors in its other two meets and being ranked in the nation's top 25 the past three weeks.

LEADER OF THE PACK: Senior transfer **CHAD JOHNSON** (Chetek, Wis.) was Minnesota's top finisher at the Iowa Invitational. Johnson placed second to lead the Maroon and Gold for the second straight race with a time of 25:08. Sophomore **JEREMY POLSON** (Duluth, Minn.), who finished fourth at Iowa, was the team's top finisher in the first two meets.



CONFERENCE CATCH UP: The Iowa Invitational marked the official end to Minnesota's regular-season schedule before the Big Ten Championships. According to the last national poll, five Big Ten schools, including Minnesota, were among the nation's top 25. Michigan led the pack at No. 3, followed by Wisconsin at No. 6. Michigan State at No. 9, Iowa at No. 20 and Minnesota at No. 24. Looking ahead, the Ohio State Buckeyes will host the Big Ten Championships, Nov. 1.

RANK 'EM: The new poll won't be out until Tuesday, Oct. 21, but the Minnesota cross country team has been No. 24 this past week. The Golden Gophers entered the poll at No. 22 on Sept. 30, marking the first time in over 10 years that the team had been ranked.

POLL WATCH: To track the Golden Gophers' progress in the national polls, you can access the information every Tuesday afternoon via internet at: www.infosys.ilstu.edu/Redbirds/TF/XCPoll.html.

SCOREBOARD

	Maine (10/11)	Iowa (10/18)
Josh Brang	25:19.40 (49th)	26:50 (31st)
Matt Carter	DNC	26:16 (19th)
Nate Clay	DNC	26:57 (34th)
Eric Hartmark	26:18.4 (92nd)	25:24 (5th)
Chad Johnson	24:20.0 (13th)+	25:08 (2nd)+
Todd Landgraff	25:24.2 (54th)	25:44 (12th)
Charles McClure	24:56.0 (24th)	25:41 (11th)
Jason Owen	DNC	27:01 (35th)
Eric Pierce	24:56.0 (25th)	25:29 (7th)
Jeremy Polson	25:18.1 (47th)	25:17 (4th)
Tony Riter	25:06.2 (35th)	25:38 (9th)
Mike Stoick	25:05.8 (34th)	25:41 (10th)

+ led the team

LAST TIME

Iowa Invitational (Iowa City, Iowa) Oct. 18, 1997

Place	Team	Points	Place of Finishers				
1	Minnesota	27	2	4	5	7	9
2	Iowa	37	1	3	6	13	14
3	Drake	74	8	12	17	18	19
4	Auburn	116	20	21	24	25	26

MINNESOTA RUNNERS

Place	Runner	Time
2	C. Johnson	25:08
4	Polson	25:17
5	Hartmark	25:24
7	Pierce	25:29
9	Riter	25:38
10	Stoick	25:41
11	McClure	25:41
12	Landgraff	25:44

TENNIS

SEMINOLE STOMP: The Golden Gopher tennis team travels to Tallahassee, Fla., Friday through Sunday, Oct. 24-26, to participate in the Florida State Invitational. Slated to travel with Minnesota are singles players: **TOM CHICOINE** (Jr., Neenah, Wis.), **ADAM SELKIRK** (Jr., St. Joseph, Mo.), **MARTIN MICHALOWSKI** (So., Ottawa, Ontario), **JORGE DUENAS** (Fr., Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic), **TYSON PARRY** (Fr., Chatham, Ontario) and **JON SVENSSON** (Fr., Kristianstad, Sweden).

IN CHECK: The Golden Gophers will use the Florida State Invitational to help prepare the team's top six for the Rolex Regional Tournament, Friday through Monday, Oct. 31-Nov. 3, at the Atkins Tennis Center in Champaign, Ill. The Rolex will feature the top singles and doubles players from around Region IV. Following the Rolex, Minnesota will close out its fall schedule hosting the Ice Volleys at the Burnsville Racquet Club in Burnsville, Minn., Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 8-9.

LEADER'S BOARD: Chicoine, the U of M's top singles player, leads the Golden Gophers with a 6-2 overall fall record. In the two invitationals he has competed in, Chicoine lost in the finals of the University of New Mexico Alumni Coaches Team Challenge in Albuquerque, N.M., Sept. 21, and advanced to the semifinals of the Arizona State University Thunderbird Classic in Tempe, Ariz., Oct.



10. He also pairs with Minnesota's No. 4 singles player Duenas to make up the Maroon and Gold's No. 1 doubles team. The pair has seen action in two invitationals, advancing to the semifinals in both Albuquerque, N.M. and Tempe, Ariz.

Leading the doubles team contingent is the duo of Michalowski and Parry. Both native Canadians, the twosome won the consolation bracket of the UNM Alumni Coaches Team Challenge and the main doubles draw of the BellSouth Mobility Tennis Classic in Lafayette, La., Oct. 5. Michalowski and Parry are slated as Minnesota's No. 2 doubles team.

SCOREBOARD

Singles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Tom Chicoine	6-2		6-2						
Jorge Duenas	3-4		3-4						
Jon Svensson	2-3		2-3						
Adam Selkirk	4-1		4-1						
M. Michalowski	4-2		4-2						
Tyson Parry	3-4		3-4						
Aaron Dvorak	1-3		1-3						
M. Kristoffersen	2-3		2-3						
Ed Marques	0-5		0-5						
Voke Okoh	0-2		0-2						
Doubles	Overall	Dual	Tourn.	#1	#2	#3	#4	#5	#6
Marques/Dvorak	1-1		1-1						
Chicoine/Duenas	4-2		4-2						
Michalowski/Parry	7-1		7-1						
Selkirk/Svensson	2-1		2-1						
Marques/Okoh	1-1		1-1						

LAST TIME

ASU THUNDERBIRD CLASSIC (Tempe, Ariz.) (Oct. 9-11)

Singles

Player	Last Rd.	Result	Draw
Tom Chicoine	Quarters	L-Simon Larose, 6-1, 6-3	Main
Jorge Duenas	Quarters	L-Alex Osterrieth, 6-4, 1-6, 7-6 (3)	Consols
M. Kristoffersen	Quarters	L-Adam Webster, 6-2, 6-2	Consols

Doubles

Team	Last Rd.	Result	Draw
Chicoine/Duenas	Semis	L-Brasington/Blue, 8-3	Main
Krist'sen/O'Grady*Finals	L-Brasington/Blue, 8-3		Main

*split team with Brian O'Grady from Arizona State

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GOPHER FOOTBALL LUNCHEON TO BE HELD FRIDAY

The next Golden Gopher football luncheon will be held Friday at the Thunderbird Hotel and Convention Center in Bloomington.

Head Coach Glen Mason will be the featured speaker. He will be joined by Adam Bailey, junior placekicker and this week's Big Ten Special Teams Player of the Week, and senior quarterback Cory Sauter.

Bailey kicked a University of Minnesota record five field goals to account for all 15 points for the Gophers against Penn State last Saturday. Sauter is on track this season to break every University of Minnesota career passing record.

A social hour will kick things off at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at noon and the program at 12:30 p.m. The cost of the luncheon will be \$13

To make reservations please call (612) 624-1344.

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U OF M TO RAISE MONEY TO HELP REPAIR ENGELSTAD ARENA

The University of Minnesota men's athletics department, along with other member schools of the WCHA, is launching an effort to aid in the repair of Ralph Engelstad Arena in Grand Forks, N.D. The arena, home of the University of North Dakota Fighting Sioux, was damaged in the devastating floods that hit the Red River Valley last spring.

Beginning on Tuesday morning, Oct. 28, a cash drop-off area will be set up in the lobby of the University of Minnesota ticket office at Mariucci Arena. The public is being asked to give whatever they can afford to help reach the University of Minnesota's goal of \$9,800 -- \$1 for each seat in Mariucci Arena -- to help the Fighting Sioux hockey program rebuild its arena. The league as a whole has set a goal of \$50,000 in the fundraising effort.

The drop-off bins will be moved to the concession areas on game nights next weekend, Oct. 31 and Nov. 1, when the Golden Gophers host the Fighting Sioux in a series at Mariucci Arena. Fans attending the games will be able to make their contributions at concession stands throughout the arena on Friday and Saturday evening.

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October 27, 1997

GOLDEN GOPHERS TO HOLD 1997 WRESTLING KICKOFF AND COACHES' CLINIC

The University of Minnesota wrestling team will hold its third annual Wrestling Kickoff, Saturday, Nov. 8, with a clinic, autograph session and workout in the Bierman Field Athletics Building, 516 15th Ave. SE, Minneapolis.

For the \$10 advance ticket price or \$15 at the door, fans can attend the wrestling clinic, get a free poster at an autograph session, experience the intensity of a Golden Gopher wrestling team workout, attend the Homecoming football game against Ohio State at the Metrodome at 3 p.m. and receive a ticket to Minnesota's season-opening dual meet against Mankato State, Dec. 4 at 7:30 p.m.

Registration starts at 11 a.m. Saturday with the program beginning at 11:30 a.m. The clinic begins at 11:45 a.m. with sessions for parents and coaches as well as beginning and advanced wrestlers. The autograph session runs from 12:30 to 1 p.m. and the Golden Gophers will work out from 1 to 2 p.m.

In addition, the Minnesota wrestling program will hold its fall coaches clinic Nov. 7-8 for college, high school and club coaches. The clinic at the Bierman Building begins on Friday, Nov. 7, with registration at 12:30 p.m. Costs for the clinic are \$65 in advance and \$70 at the door, which also includes a ticket to the Homecoming football game.

To order tickets for the Wrestling Kickoff by phone, call Sue Rubens in the athletics ticket office at (612) 624-7342. For more information about the wrestling clinic, call assistant wrestling coach Joe Russell at (612) 625-3026.

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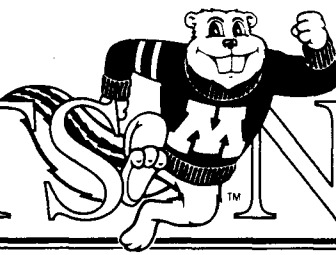
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October 29, 1997

PLENTY OF TICKETS REMAIN FOR GOLDEN GOPHERS' SEASON OPENER AT THE TARGET CENTER IN THE BCA CLASSIC

The Target Center Ticket Office announced today that over 10,000 tickets remain for the Golden Gophers' season opener which is part of the Black Coaches Association Classic on Friday, November 14, at the Target Center. The BCA Classic is a two-game session that features the SEC's South Carolina Gamecocks, who are ranked as high as seventh in the preseason polls, vs. ACC power Maryland, which is ranked as high as 15th in the preseason polls. The Golden Gophers face Big East power Villanova following that game. The first game is at 6 p.m., with the Minnesota/Villanova matchup following at 8:30. This game is not part of the Golden Gopher season ticket package. It is an excellent opportunity for fans who have had difficulty getting a ticket to Williams Arena to come see the Golden Gophers as well as another big time college basketball game.

Tickets for the two-game session range from \$16-\$66 for courtside. Youth groups of 15 or more can get seats for \$8. Any groups of 15 or more get \$5 off per ticket. Tickets are available at the Target Center Box Office, all Ticketmaster outlets or by phone at (612) 989-5151.

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October 30, 1997

GOLDEN GOPHER SINGLE GAME BASKETBALL TICKETS TO GO ON SALE SATURDAY

The University of Minnesota Athletics Ticket Office announced today that a limited number of single game tickets will go on sale Saturday at 9 a.m. For the first day, purchases are limited to two Big Ten games and four tickets per game per household, and all sales are by telephone only at (612) 624-8080 or 1-800-UGOPHER. There is no limit on non conference games. Over-the-counter sale opens on Monday, Nov. 3. All seats will have some view obstruction, but the majority of the obstructions are not severe enough to impair enjoyment of the game. Tickets are \$22.50 and the ticket office accepts VISA, Mastercard and Novus (Discovery).