

# GOLDEN GOPHER BASEBALL

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## Weekly Release

Minnesota (34-12, 15-5) hosts St. Thomas and Big Ten rival Northwestern at Siebert Field

St. Thomas (28-4) • Siebert Field, Minneapolis  
 Wednesday, May 5 • 6:30 p.m.

Northwestern (19-24, 7-13) • Siebert Field, Minneapolis  
 Friday, May 7 • 6:30 p.m. • KKMS-980 AM  
 Saturday, May 8 • 4 p.m. • KKMS-980 AM  
 Sunday, May 9 • 1 p.m. • KKMS-980 AM

**Television:** Midwest Sports Channel will broadcast Sunday's Minnesota-Northwestern matchup. John Jacobson (play-by-play) and former Golden Gopher and National League All-Star Greg Olson (color commentary) will call the action beginning at 1 p.m.

**Golden Gophers Take Three from Illinois:** Minnesota faced a little adversity this weekend and responded in impressive fashion. After losing its third straight one-run game, the Golden Gophers rallied for three straight victories against the visiting Illini.

After a 7-6 loss to Illinois on Friday, senior **Brad Pautz (Reedsville, Wis.)** nearly no-hit the Big Ten's most potent offense on Saturday. Pautz pitched six no-hit innings before giving up a single and a game-tying home run in the seventh inning. Senior **Matt Brosseau (North Oaks, Minn.)** drove in the winning run in the bottom of the eighth with a single.

After a 5-2 win in the doubleheader night cap, junior **Chadd Clarey (Rochester, Minn.)** picked up his first complete game of the season in a 7-3 win. After allowing three runs in the first three innings, he held the Fighting Illini scoreless over the final six innings. The nine-inning outing was the longest for any Golden Gopher this season.

### MINNESOTA SCHEDULE/RESULTS

Feb. 8	Galyan's Gopher Pro-Alumni*	W 9-7
Feb. 14	St. Cloud State	W 10-8
Feb. 15	St. Cloud State	W 10-4
Feb. 15	Viterbo College	L 7-5
Feb. 19-21	Coca-Cola Classic (Mobile, Ala.)	
Feb. 19	South Alabama*	W 12-5
Feb. 20	UAB*	L 13-6
Feb. 21	T.B.A.*	W 15-9
Feb. 24	@ Auburn*	L 9-5
Feb. 26-28	Blue-Gray Classic (Montgomery, Ala.)	
Feb. 26	Troy State*	W 7-6
Feb. 27	Kentucky*	L 12-8
Feb. 28	Ohio State*	W 16-12
March 5-7	Hormel Foods Baseball Classic (H.H.H. Metrodome)	
March 5	vs. Washington State*	L 6-5
March 6	vs. Florida State*	L 9-5
March 7	vs. Wichita State**	W 5-4
March 13	Northern Illinois*	W 9-2
March 14	Northern Illinois (2)*	W 8-3, W 7-1
March 22	Bowling Green (2)*	W 8-7, W 4-3 (8)
March 23	Bowling Green*	W 12-5
March 26	Oregon State*	W 14-6
March 27	Oregon State*	W 16-9
March 28	Oregon State*	W 11-6
April 2	@ Purdue*	L 6-4
April 3	@ Purdue (2)*	W 5-2, W 9-2
April 4	@ Purdue*	W 9-2
April 6	@ Northern Iowa	W 6-5 (10)
April 9	@ Iowa*	W 5-3
April 10	@ Iowa (2)*	W 5-3, W 9-5
April 11	@ Iowa*	W 13-5
April 14	Northern Iowa	W 7-3
April 16	Michigan*	L 8-3
April 17	Michigan (2)*	L 13-12, W 15-14
April 18	Michigan*	W 11-5
April 21	MSU, Mankato	W 6-0
April 23	@ Indiana*	W 9-7
April 24	@ Indiana (2)*	W 16-3, W 9-7
April 25	@ Indiana*	L 11-10
April 28	@ Iowa State	L 7-6 (10)
April 30	Illinois*	L 7-6
May 1	Illinois (2)**	W 3-2, W 5-2
May 2	Illinois*	W 7-3
May 5	St. Thomas	6:30 p.m.
May 7	Northwestern*	6:30 p.m.
May 8	Northwestern (2)*	4 p.m.
May 9	Northwestern**	1 p.m.
May 12	Iowa State	6 p.m.
May 14	Michigan State**	6:30 p.m.
May 15	Michigan State (2)*	4 p.m.
May 16	Michigan State*	1 p.m.
May 20-22	Big Ten Tournament	TBA
May 28-30	NCAA Regionals	TBA
June 4-5	NCAA Super Regionals	TBA
June 11-19	College World Series	TBA

All Games are Central Time  
 \* Games broadcast on KKMS-AM (980)  
 # Games broadcast on Midwest Sports Channel

### Holding Their Own

The Golden Gophers have already played one of the toughest schedules in recent memory. Minnesota has played five teams in the latest *Collegiate Baseball* top-30 rankings. In those game, the Golden Gophers have a respectable 3-2 record with wins over #7 Wichita State (44-10), #14 Ohio State (36-7) and #30 South Alabama (30-16). Minnesota dropped a pair of 9-5 decisions to #4 Florida State (40-10) and #22 Auburn (36-13). The Golden Gophers, despite a 34-12 record, are not ranked in the poll.

Fact Box

# G O L D E N G O P H E R B A S E B A L L

**About Anderson:** Golden Gopher Head Coach John Anderson is in his 18th season with a career record of 639-393-3 (.619) and a Big Ten mark of 267-147 (.645). He coached his 1,000th career game on Friday, Feb. 26, in a 7-6 victory against Troy State. He is one of the youngest coaches in the nation to surpass the 600-win plateau and is the only active Big Ten coach to reach 250 conference victories. Anderson has led the Golden Gophers to four Big Ten titles (1982, '85, '88, and '92) and six Big Ten Tournament championships (1982, '85, '88, '92, '93 and '98) in his tenure at the U of M.

**The Series vs. Northwestern:** Minnesota leads the all-time series with the Wildcats 121-58. The first meeting in the series occurred in 1893 with the host Gophers prevailing 7-4 (5/20). Northwestern's longest win streak in the series is six games (1929-31). Minnesota's longest win streak in the series is 16 games (1963-71). The Golden Gophers lead the series 58-23 in games played in Minneapolis. Head Coach John Anderson has a 44-24 record against Northwestern in his career.

**Last Year vs. Northwestern:** Minnesota closed out the 1998 regular season in Evanston, Ill., against the Wildcats. The Golden Gophers took the first three games of the series before losing 9-6 in the finale. That loss snapped a season-long 14-game winning streak.

In a 14-0 win in the series opener, Head Coach John Anderson collected his 600th career win and **Robb Quinlan** (Maplewood, Minn.) had a career day. Quinlan was 4-for-6 with three home runs and seven RBIs. He would be named national player of the week a couple days later.

**And Down the Stretch...** The race for the Big Ten regular-season title and the chance to host the Big Ten Tournament is in high gear. Minnesota trails Ohio State by four games. Here are the remaining Big Ten schedules for the frontrunners:

	<b>Minnesota</b>	<b>Ohio State</b>
<b>May 7-9</b>	Northwestern	@ Michigan State
<b>May 14-16</b>	Michigan State	Indiana

Minnesota's remaining opponents have a 43-44 (.494) overall record. Ohio State's opponents have a 57-32 (.640) record.

**Birk Out for the Season:** Junior left-hander **Ben Birk** will be sidelined for the rest of 1999 season while recovering from nerve inflammation in his pitching elbow. He will be on a throwing program for the next six-to-eight weeks and reevaluated following that.

Birk was *Baseball America's* preseason Big Ten pitcher of the year, as well as the league's top major league prospect. He will apply for a medical redshirt and have two years of eligibility remaining.

**Simply the Best:** Senior **Robb Quinlan** now holds seven career school records and six single-season school records. He eclipsed Charlie Nelson's runs scored record of 224 against Illinois (4/30). Quinlan is the school's hits, home runs, RBIs, doubles,

## Career vs. Northwestern

Batting	GP	AB	R	H	RBIs	HR	K	Avg.
Robb Quinlan	11	45	16	19	16	4	4	.422
Matt Scanlon	8	27	4	9	3	1	3	.333
Adam Horton	8	22	3	6	3	1	5	.273
Mark Devore	7	20	1	4	1	0	3	.200
Mike Arlt	4	14	1	3	2	0	2	.214
Rick Brosseau	4	12	2	4	4	0	3	.333
Jeremy Negen	3	7	1	0	0	0	4	.000
Matt Brosseau	2	7	1	1	0	0	1	.143
Pitching	W-L	App.	GS	IP	H	ERA	K	BB
Dan McGrath	1-0	1	1	7.0	5	0.00	4	0
Brad Pautz	1-0	1	1	7.0	6	2.57	2	1
Kelly Werner	0-0	1	0	3.0	3	12.00	1	3
Bob DeWitt	0-0	1	0	0.1	0	0.00	1	0

at-bats, runs scored and total bases career leader.

**Quinny's Comeback:** Strapped with a 3-for-20 start to his final Big Ten season, it was only a matter of time before senior **Robb Quinlan** was going to break out. In conference play, he leads the league with 35 hits, 10 doubles and 64 total bases. He is third with a .417 average and fifth with 23 RBIs.

**It's Going, Going...Finally Gone:** Quinlan eclipsed Tom Steinbach's career home run record of 45 with a two-run blast in the fifth inning against Northern Iowa (4/14). While Quinlan needed 59 fewer at-bats to break Ryan Lefebvre's all-time hits record, he needed 167 more at-bats to reach Steinbach's 45. Quinlan averages a home run every 16.9 at-bats. During his career, Steinbach averaged a round-tripper every 13.5 at-bats. Quinlan hit his 50th career home run on Friday vs. Illinois. (4/30). He needs just two home runs to tie Ohio State's Dan Seimetz ('95-98) who holds the Big Ten's career record with 52.

**What More Can He Possibly Do:** During his remarkable career, there has always been a new challenge on the horizon for Quinlan. The All-American tied the all-time triples record a week ago at Indiana (4/24). Mark Groebner's ('95-98) .678 career slugging percentage is also in peril with Quinlan at .677.

## That was Then, This is Now

	1998	1999
Overall Record:	34-12	34-12
Big Ten Record:	13-8	15-5
Team Batting Avg:	.348	.329
Runs per Game:	8.9	8.4
Slugging %:	.552	.520
Home Runs:	58	46
Team ERA:	4.44	5.40
Strikeouts/Walks:	2.0	1.8
Team Fielding %:	.959	.965
Double Plays:	51	45
LOB per Game:	8.0	8.4

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He actually passed Groebner after his 2-for-4 performance with a home run on Friday against Illinois, but dropped back to second after the series.

**Number One with a Bullet:** A two-time, first-team All-Big Ten selection, Quinlan led the league in home runs, runs scored, total bases, hits and slugging percentage last year. He also established new Big Ten single-season records with 39 runs scored, 92 total bases and 251 putouts in league play.

This year, Quinlan leads the Big Ten with a .432 batting average, 82 hits and 143 total bases in overall games. He is second with 54 runs scored and 20 doubles.

**Climbing the Charts:** Senior **Robb Quinlan** is primed to close out his remarkable collegiate career by rewriting the Minnesota record book. The second-team All-American set four new single-season school records last season and holds six single-season records overall.

The Maplewood, Minn., native shattered the school's home run record with 24 bombs in '98. The previous record of 18, held by Jerry Kindall, was set in 1956 and had stood for 42 years. Former Golden Gopher Craig Selander initially broke the record on May 2 at Michigan State. Selander, now in the Minnesota Twins' organization, finished the year with 22 home runs.

With 82 hits already this season, Quinlan is on pace to finish with 100 base knocks. That would break his school record of 97 which he set last year. With the potential of several postseason games, he could shatter the mark.

**That Answers That Question:** Clearly the biggest issue facing the 1999 Golden Gophers was replacing the offense of Craig Selander and Mark Groebner. With **Robb Quinlan** and **Matt Scanlon**, the quartet rewrote the single-season record book. This year, Quinlan and Scanlon, along with senior **Aron Amundson** and freshman **Jack Hannahan**, have put up comparable numbers.

1998 (34-12)	AB	R	H	HR	RBI's	Slg%	Avg.
Groebner	174	55	70	9	64	.741	.402
Selander	177	57	70	18	62	.785	.395
Quinlan	179	66	70	15	41	.743	.391
Scanlon	183	47	64	2	48	.497	.350
<b>Total</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>274</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>.690</b>	<b>.384</b>

1999 (34-12)	AB	R	H	HR	RBI's	Slg%	Avg.
Quinlan	190	54	82	11	60	.753	.432
Amundson	126	33	51	8	39	.722	.405
Hannahan	92	21	34	4	26	.587	.370
Scanlon	193	47	69	7	65	.606	.358
<b>Total</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>155</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>190</b>	<b>.674</b>	<b>.393</b>

**The Freshman:** True freshman **Jack Hannahan** (St. Paul, Minn.) has had an awakening. After beginning the season 2-for-12 and being used primarily as a pinch hitter, the Cretin-Derham Hall graduate has exploded. Hannahan had been over the .400

## Last Time Out (April 30-May 2)

Pitching	W/L	CG	IP	H	R	ER	BB	K
Kelly Werner	ND	0	5.1	4	3	3	5	4
Brad Pautz	W	1	8.0	2	2	2	1	5
Dan McGrath	W	0	4.0	5	2	1	1	2
Chadd Clarey	W	1	9.0	9	3	3	2	3

\* Werner pitched Friday vs. Illinois, Pautz and McGrath on Saturday, Clarey on Sunday

mark since March 26, but has slipped to .370 in the past two weeks. In 37 at-bats with runners in scoring position, he is batting .486 (18-for-37).

His emergence at the plate, as well as his defensive ability, has allowed junior **Matt Scanlon** to move to second base. Scanlon was a third-team All-Big Ten selection last year and is batting .358 with a Big Ten-leading 23 doubles.

**Not "Soon" Enough:** Prior to the start of the season, former Oklahoma Sooner **Aron Amundson** (Mandan, N.D.) was being counted on to help provide the power and the offense lost with the departure of outfielders Mark Groebner and Craig Selander.

Amundson has been consistently hitting over .400 all season, primarily as the team's designated hitter. He is third in the league with a .405 average. Amundson is second on the team with a .722 slugging percentage and third with 39 RBIs and 14 doubles.

**Full Plate:** Having two-sport athletes on a college baseball team is nothing new, but how about a three-sport athlete. Sophomore slugger **Rob LaRue** (Minnetonka, Minn.) is redshirting the '99 season after a busy year. In the fall, LaRue was a tight end on the Golden Gopher football team. Following the gridiron season, he joined the hockey team after its only other backup goalie left the team. LaRue played in five games for the Golden Gophers and posted a 1.91 goals against average. He allowed two goals and made 33 saves.

**G'Day Indeed:** March 14 was a good day for the 1999 squad. After missing the first month of the season with an arm injury, **Dan McGrath** (Victoria, Australia) made his season debut against Northern Illinois (3/14).

McGrath is a league-leading 4-0 in Big Ten play despite a 7.11 ERA. Overall, he has a 5.08 ERA with 15 strikeouts and just three walks in 28.1 innings.

This summer will mark a special anniversary for McGrath. 10 years ago, he was a member of the 1989 Trumbull (Conn.) Little League World Series championship team that beat Taiwan 5-2. Current NHL hockey player Chris Drury was on the mound in the victory, while McGrath patrolled left field.

**Stepping Up:** With Minnesota's ace **Ben Birk** out of the lineup, senior right-hander **Brad Pautz** (Reedsville, Wis.) has stepped up in his absence. Pautz has been the workhorse of the staff so far with a team-leading 12 starts, 72.1 innings and three complete games. He has a 4.48 ERA with 50 strikeouts and 17 walks. Pautz was a sixth-round draft pick of the Minnesota Twins last summer.

## Game-Winning RBIs

Robb Quinlan - 7	Josh Holthaus - 2
Jack Hanahan - 5	Jeremy Negen - 2
Matt Scanlon - 3	Aron Amundson - 1
Rick Brosseau - 3	Jason Kennedy - 1
Scott Howard - 3	Mike Arlt - 1

Pautz had allowed 23 hits in his last 12.1 innings, but against Illinois, he was masterful. The Fighting Illini were held hitless until the top of the seventh. He improved to 7-2 after allowing just two hits in the 3-2 victory.

**Sunday Savior:** With a pitching staff depleted by injuries to start the season, junior-college transfer **Chadd Clarey (Rochester, Minn.)** was thrown into the fire right away. Once the conference season began, Clarey was penciled into the fourth spot in the starting rotation. He is 4-1 in league play with a 5.12 ERA. He has started 10 games for the Golden Gophers and Minnesota is 9-1 in those contests.

Last Sunday against Illinois, Clarey collected his first complete game of the season. He allowed just three runs on nine hits in the 7-3 victory. He held the Illini scoreless over the last six innings.

**To Leadoff:** 14 of Minnesota's 46 home runs on the year have led off an inning. Minnesota has 28 solo home runs overall.

**Rocket Science?** In Minnesota's 34 victories, the Golden Gophers have a .976 fielding percentage with 30 errors. In the 12 losses, the Golden Gophers have a .934 fielding percentage with 31 errors.

**Playing with the Lead:** Minnesota lost only its second game of the season when leading after five innings. On Friday, Illinois rallied from a 5-1 deficit to capture a 7-6 victory. Washington State claims the only other come from behind win (3/5). The Golden Gophers are 29-2 when they have the lead after five innings and 29-0 when having a lead heading into the final inning.

**In the Big Ten:** In overall games, Minnesota boasts the Big Ten's top offense with a .329 team batting average. The Golden Gopher pitching staff is fourth with a 5.43 ERA, while the Minnesota defense is tied with Penn State for first with a .965 fielding percentage.

In conference games, Minnesota is second with a .328 average and a 5.15 team ERA. The Golden Gophers are fifth with a .956 fielding percentage.

**The .300 Club:** Eight of Minnesota's hitters are batting at least .300 this season. Overall, the team's batting average is at .329, down from last year's mark of .342 which tied the school record. **Robb Quinlan** leads the way at .432. **Aron Amundson** and **Jack Hannahan** rank second and third with .405 and .370 averages, respectively.

**The Skinny on Scanny:** Junior **Matt Scanlon** has been a model of consistency over the past two months. The third-team All-Big Ten selection has hit safely in 34 of his last 37 games. His career-long 18-game hitting streak was snapped at Iowa State (4/28). Scanlon led the Big Ten with 21 doubles last year and already has a league-leading 23 this season. Scanlon is on pace for 30 doubles which would break **Robb Quinlan's** school record of 29 two-baggers set in 1997. He also leads the league with 65 RBIs, including a whopping 36 in 20 league games.

In '98, he set a new school record with 243 at-bats, including a new Big Ten record with 111 at-bats in league play. He ranks fifth all-time with a .370 career batting average and is fifth with 48 career doubles.

**More on Scanlon:** Scanlon was named the Big Ten's Player of the Week in consecutive weeks (4/19 & 4/26). In that span of 10 games, Scanlon was 22-for-47 (.468) with four home runs, six doubles and an amazing 30 RBIs. Included in that are three three-run home runs.

**Power Surge:** Junior **Mike Arlt (Lakeville, Minn.)** has been a steady force for Minnesota this season. The centerfielder has not only provided outstanding defense in the field, but has been steady at the plate with some new-found power. Arlt went 304 at-bats before he hit his first career home run against Northern Illinois (3/14). That blast missed reaching the right field upper deck at the Metrodome by mere feet.

Arlt hit two more home runs in the series against Michigan and now has three home runs in his last 108 at-bats. He also collected his third triple on the year against Indiana (4/24) and the eighth of his career.

**Holthaus' Heroics:** Sophomore **Josh Holthaus (Monticello, Minn.)** saved the day for Minnesota in its season opener at the Metrodome against St. Cloud State (2/14). After trailing the entire game, the Huskies scored seven times in the top of the ninth to take an 8-5 lead. After the Golden Gophers added a run

## You Don't Say...

- Minnesota is 17-4 when Matt Scanlon starts at second base
- The Golden Gophers are 11-0 when they hit multiple home runs
- Minnesota is 8-0 when Dan McGrath makes an appearance
- Jon Nuss has been in the starting lineup at four different positions (2b, lf, rf, dh)
- Only Mike Arlt has started all 46 games at the same position (center field)
- Rick Brosseau has been listed in seven different slots in the batting order. Quinlan has been in the third hole in all 46 games.
- Minnesota's record when they wear:
  - White Jersey/White Pants: 11-2
  - Maroon Jersey/White Pants: 9-3
  - Maroon Jersey/Gray Pants: 6-2
  - Gray Jersey/Gray Pants: 8-4

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in the bottom of the ninth and loaded the bases, Holthaus stepped to the plate with two outs. On an 0-2 pitch, he smacked a game-winning grand slam over the left field wall as Minnesota escaped with a 10-8 victory.

Holthaus shares time at catcher with junior **Jeremy Negen (Blomkest, Minn.)** and platoons with **Aron Amundson** as the team's designated hitter. He is third on the team with five home runs and fifth with a .354 average.

**The Cornerstones:** Replacing Mark Groebner and Craig Selander in left and right field have fallen on the capable, but young shoulders of redshirt freshmen **Scott Howard (Rosemount, Minn.)** and **Jason Kennedy (Minnetonka, Minn.)**.

Howard has started 38 games in left field and is currently batting .333. In 25 of his starts, he has been penciled into the leadoff spot. He is second on the team with nine stolen bases and third with two triples. In the second game of the double-header against Illinois (5/1), he was 3-for-4 with two doubles and two RBIs.

Kennedy has become a mainstay in right field with 39 starts. Considered to have the best physical tools of the group of young outfielders, Kennedy is batting .316 with four home runs and 31 RBIs. In conference games, he is 12th in the league with a .371 average, the highest of any freshman.

**The Ace in 2000:** **Ben Birk (St. Paul, Minn.)** was recruited to be Minnesota's centerfielder of the future. As a true freshman in '97, Birk played in 30 games with 14 starts as an outfielder and designated hitter. He batted just .191 with nine hits in 47 at-bats. On the mound, he made five appearances posting an 0-2 record with a 7.36 ERA.

Last season, the left-hander emerged in fall camp as the team's number one pitcher and put together a brilliant year with an 8-2 record and 2.65 ERA. After missing the first month of the Big Ten season with a shoulder injury, he returned to post a stel-

lar 4-0 record with a 0.34 ERA. The only run he allowed in Big Ten play was a solo home run by Michigan State's Mike Wagner (5/2/98).

He gave up just 11 walks and two home runs in 74.2 innings with an outstanding 6.1 strikeouts to every walk. To put that in perspective, Michigan State's Mark Mulder, who was the second pick taken in last year's amateur draft by the Oakland Athletics, had a 5.9 strikeout to walk ratio (113/19) last year. The fourth choice in the first round by the Kansas City Royals, Stanford's Jeff Austin, had a 4.25 ratio (136/32) in '98.

## Golden Gophers Finish 1-2 in Hormel Foods Baseball

**Classic:** Minnesota finished a disappointing 1-2 in the Hormel Foods Baseball Classic at the Metrodome, March 5-7. In the tourney opener against Washington State, the Golden Gophers jumped out to an early 5-0 lead, only to see the Cougars rally for a 6-5 victory. After a 9-5 loss against top-ranked Florida State on Saturday, Minnesota salvaged the final game of the weekend with a 5-4 upset of 13th-ranked Wichita State.

Despite the loss, Wichita State captured the tournament title with a 2-1 record. The Seminoles also finished 2-1 but were defeated by the Shockers in the opening game of the tourney by score of 8-1.

Minnesota's **Mike Arlt** and **Aron Amundson** were selected to the all-tournament team. Arlt finished the weekend with a .400 average with four hits, four runs scored and a RBI. Amundson earned a spot on the team with his performance against Florida State. He pounded out a career-high four hits with two doubles, a run scored and a RBI.

**Preseason Buzz:** Minnesota entered the 1999 season ranked 26th in the country by *Baseball America* and 29th by *Collegiate Baseball*. The Golden Gophers were the highest-rated Big Ten team in either poll. Illinois was ranked 36th by *Baseball America* and 30th by *Collegiate Baseball*.

Senior **Robb Quinlan**, a second-team All-American last

## Home Run Tracker

<u>Player</u>	<u>Last Home Run</u>	<u>Games/At-Bats since</u>	<u>Career HRs</u>	<u>HR/At-Bats</u>
#1 Mike Arlt	4/18 vs. Michigan	10 games/40 at-bats	3	1/137.3
#3 Jeremy Negen	5/13/98 vs. Penn State	46 games/106 at-bats	3	1/91.7
#4 Matt Scanlon	4/24 at Indiana	6 games/27 at-bats	15	1/35.3
#7 Mark Devore	5/8/97 vs. St. John's	77 games/175 at-bats	1	1/259
#9 Robb Quinlan	4/30 vs. Illinois	3 games/12 at-bats	50	1/16.9
#13 Adam Horton	5/16/98 at Illinois	26 games/46 at-bats	3	1/96.3
#15 Rick Brosseau	4/21 vs. MSU-Mankato	8 games/29 at-bats	11	1/32.5
#22 Jason Kennedy	4/23 at Indiana	7 games/20 at-bats	4	1/33.3
#30 Jack Hannahan	4/18 vs. Michigan	7 games/25 at-bats	4	1/23
#33 Matt Brosseau	4/21/98 vs. St. Thomas	46 games/102 at-bats	2	1/120
#44 Aron Amundson	4/25 at Indiana	3 games/13 at-bats	8	1/15.8
#46 Josh Holthaus	5/1 vs. Illinois	2 games/4 at-bats	6	1/27.2
#47 Jim Egan	5/2/98 at Michigan State	14 games/22 at-bats	1	1/101

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year, is a preseason third-team All-America selection and is *Baseball America's* choice for preseason Big Ten player of the year. The publication also cites junior left-hander **Ben Birk** as its preseason Big Ten pitcher of the year, as well as the league's top major league prospect. Senior right-hander **Brad Pautz** is rated the fourth top prospect.

Here is how *Baseball America* sees the Big Ten race shaking out this season with the Golden Gophers, the Fighting Illini and the Buckeyes projected to advance to the NCAA Tournament:

1. Minnesota\*
2. Illinois\*
3. Ohio State\*
4. Michigan
5. Penn State
6. Purdue
7. Indiana
8. Northwestern
9. Michigan State
10. Iowa

### KKMS-AM 980 and Midwest Sports Channel to Broadcast Games in 1999:

The University of Minnesota announced that KKMS-AM (980) will broadcast 47 games including all of Minnesota's Big Ten Conference games. Paul Barnes will be entering his fourth year as the radio voice of the Golden Gophers.

Midwest Sports Channel will televise four games beginning with the Wichita State vs. Minnesota game in the Hormel Foods Baseball Classic March 7. Other games on MSC include the first

game of the May 1 doubleheader with Illinois, the May 9 matchup with Northwestern and the Michigan State game on May 14.

**The Program:** The Golden Gopher baseball program is one filled with a history of success and pride. Among the facts:

- 84 winning seasons
- 36 consecutive winning seasons
- Only five losing seasons in the last 64 years
- 17 Big Ten Championships, 15 in the last 43 seasons
- 22 NCAA appearances
- Five College World Series appearances
- Three NCAA titles

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## Robb Quinlan Records Watch

<i>Average</i> (minimum 225 AB)	<i>Total Bases</i>	<i>Doubles</i>
.393 Mark Merila 1991-94	567 Robb Quinlan 1996-1989-91	73 Robb Quinlan 1996-1988-91
.387 Brent Gates 1989-91	385 Brent Gates 1989-91	61 Brent Gates 1988-91
.382 Robb Quinlan 1996-	<i>At-Bats</i>	<i>Triples</i>
.376 Greg Olson 1980-82	837 Robb Quinlan 1996-	12 Robb Quinlan 1996-
Terry Steinbach 1981-83	787 Ryan Lefebvre 1990-93	Bob Keeney 1994-97
.370 Matt Scanlon 1997-	<i>Runs Scored</i>	Ryan Lefebvre 1990-93
	227 Robb Quinlan 1996-	11 Paul Molitor 1975-77
<i>Slugging Percentage</i> (minimum 225 AB)	224 Charlie Nelson 1991-94	<i>Home Runs</i>
.678 Mark Groebner 1995-98	<i>Hits</i>	50 Robb Quinlan 1996-
.677 Robb Quinlan 1996-	320 Robb Quinlan 1996-	45 Tom Steinbach 1980-83
.667 Tom Steinbach 1980-83	271 Ryan Lefebvre 1990-93	<i>Runs Batted In</i>
	269 Mark Merila 1991-94	206 Robb Quinlan 1996-
		179 Mark Merila 1991-94

1999 University of Minnesota Statistics  
Overall Statistics for Minnesota (as of May 02, 1999)  
(All games Sorted by Batting avg)

Record: 34-12-0 Home: 19-6-0 Away: 13-4-0 Neutral: 2-2-0 Big Ten: 15-5-0

Player	AVG	GP-GS	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	SLG%	BB	HBP	SO	GDP	OBX	SF	SH	SB-ATT	PO	A	E	FLDX
9 Robb Quinlan.....	.432	46-46	190	54	82	20	4	11	60	143	.753	21	3	19	4	.488	3	0	6-7	355	32	0	1.000
44 Aron Amundson....	.405	40-33	126	33	51	14	1	8	39	91	.722	15	10	19	2	.487	5	0	0-1	28	7	2	.946
30 Jack Hannahan....	.370	37-22	92	21	34	8	0	4	26	54	.587	17	0	19	4	.464	1	0	1-1	15	57	12	.857
4 Matt Scanlon.....	.358	46-45	193	47	69	23	2	7	65	117	.606	13	3	20	3	.397	5	1	5-6	55	108	8	.953
46 Josh Holthaus....	.354	35-18	79	19	28	11	1	5	19	56	.709	14	4	13	2	.474	0	0	0-2	83	10	3	.969
13 Adam Horton.....	.342	23-6	38	8	13	3	0	0	5	16	.421	7	0	4	3	.444	0	0	0-0	22	4	0	1.000
23 Scott Howard....	.333	39-38	135	30	45	6	2	0	21	55	.407	24	5	23	4	.451	0	0	9-17	56	1	1	.983
22 Jason Kennedy....	.316	45-43	133	39	42	11	1	4	31	67	.504	31	1	28	5	.440	3	3	11-11	84	4	4	.957
1 Mike Arlt.....	.292	46-46	171	45	50	13	3	3	29	78	.456	23	1	23	2	.372	4	8	9-12	99	5	2	.981
33 Matt Brosseau....	.288	30-18	59	6	17	1	1	0	9	20	.339	3	2	8	2	.338	1	0	1-3	30	51	4	.953
41 Jon Nuss.....	.268	28-12	56	11	15	3	0	0	12	18	.321	11	1	9	3	.391	1	1	1-1	21	13	2	.944
15 Rick Brosseau....	.260	45-44	169	43	44	8	1	4	20	66	.391	26	2	30	6	.356	5	1	9-14	56	125	11	.943
7 Mark Devore.....	.231	21-7	26	5	6	0	0	0	2	6	.231	2	0	3	1	.286	0	1	1-2	13	31	1	.978
3 Jeremy Negen.....	.224	43-34	98	23	22	8	1	0	16	32	.327	11	8	14	3	.345	2	3	0-0	189	18	2	.990
47 Jim Egan.....	.222	8-2	9	1	2	0	0	0	2	2	.222	0	1	4	0	.300	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
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45 Chris Guetzlaff..	.000	12-0	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	1	0	2	0	.200	0	0	1-1	2	0	0	1.000
17 Paul Hartmann....	.000	3-0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	0-0	5	0	0	1.000
49 Joe Schmidt.....	.000	1-0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	0	0	1	0	.000	0	0	0-0	0	0	0	.000
53 Eric Gangl.....	.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.....	.329	46-46	1580	388	520	129	17	46	356	821	.520	219	41	239	44	.417	30	18	54-78	1154	520	61	.965
Opponents.....	.304	46-46	1550	271	471	77	6	34	246	662	.427	148	40	276	38	.376	16	19	45-59	1112	471	96	.943

LOB - Team (388), Opp (348). DPs turned - Team (45), Opp (47). IBB - Team (8), Amundson 3, Quinlan 3, Nuss 1, Kennedy 1, Opp (2). Picked off - Kennedy 2, Scanlon 2, Devore 1, Arlt 1, R. Brosseau 1.

(All games Sorted by Earned run avg)

Player	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
34 Kelly Werner.....	3.15	4-2	10	8	0	0/0	0	54.1	53	30	19	21	38	7	0	4	238	.257	5	5	1	2	4
52 Mike Kobow.....	3.38	1-0	2	2	0	0/1	0	8.0	7	3	3	4	7	2	0	0	35	.226	0	0	0	0	0
18 Bob DeWitt.....	3.57	2-0	11	0	0	0/1	1	17.2	21	13	7	6	14	9	0	1	81	.296	1	1	0	2	1
38 Vince Gangl.....	4.39	1-1	12	1	0	0/0	3	26.2	32	14	13	4	19	3	0	1	112	.311	1	3	0	0	2
42 Brad Pautz.....	4.48	7-2	12	12	3	0/0	0	72.1	89	40	36	17	50	15	1	6	314	.309	5	4	0	2	3
36 Frank Wagner.....	4.89	4-3	18	0	0	0/0	5	38.2	43	28	21	21	32	4	0	4	181	.289	6	5	0	4	2
40 Dan McGrath.....	5.08	4-0	8	8	0	0/0	0	28.1	41	19	16	3	15	2	1	3	126	.347	1	2	0	0	3
43 Chadd Clarey....	5.94	5-1	12	10	1	0/0	0	53.0	64	36	35	23	42	12	2	6	245	.303	5	7	0	1	3
44 Aron Amundson....	7.11	1-1	6	1	0	0/1	1	12.2	17	12	10	7	8	5	0	1	63	.321	0	2	0	1	0
37 Brandon Kitzerow.	7.30	1-0	6	1	0	0/1	0	12.1	20	10	10	7	8	4	1	0	66	.351	0	2	0	0	0
48 Jason Shupe.....	8.23	3-0	15	1	0	0/1	1	27.1	39	25	25	6	21	7	0	5	131	.317	4	1	0	1	0
10 Kurt Haring.....	9.00	1-0	10	2	0	0/0	0	20.0	30	22	20	12	7	4	0	3	106	.341	1	4	0	2	0
35 Andy Persby.....	9.58	0-1	7	0	0	0/0	0	10.1	13	12	11	12	13	2	1	0	57	.302	0	1	0	1	0
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39 Nathan Bennett...	18.00	0-1	4	0	0	0/0	0	3.0	2	7	6	5	2	1	0	0	18	.222	1	3	0	0	1
Totals.....	5.40	34-12	46	46	4	1/1	11	384.2	471	271	231	148	276	77	6	34	1773	.304	30	40	1	16	19
Opponents.....	7.58	12-34	46	46	4	0/0	6	370.2	520	388	312	219	239	129	17	46	1888	.329	43	41	4	30	18

PB - Team (3), Negen 2, Holthaus 1, Opp (4). Pickoffs - Team (5), McGrath 3, Pautz 1, Clarey 1, Opp (6). SB/ATT - Negen (29-34), Pautz (12-16), Holthaus (14-16), Clarey (10-13), Werner (4-6), Wagner (5-5), Persby (4-5), Kitzerow (4-4), DeWitt (0-2), McGrath (0-2), Haring (2-2), V. Gangl (2-2), Shupe (2-2), Scanlon (2-2).

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