



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office
Contact: Dianne Boyer
(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building
516 15th Avenue S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

CECKA COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Junior transfer Sarah Cecka of Jordan, Minn., and Anoka Ramsey Community College, ended her first season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Cecka, a 6-3 post player, averaged eight points and 5.5 rebounds for the Gophers in 1994-95, good for fourth on the team in both categories. Cecka played in all 27 games for Minnesota this season, starting 25 of those games. She had a career-high 21 points against Northwestern in the final regular season game and ended the year with nine games in double figure-scoring. She also had two double-doubles (points and rebounds) this season.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office
Contact: Dianne Boyer
(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building
516 15th Avenue S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

ELLIS COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Point guard Jaime Ellis of Lake Oswego, Ore., and Lake Oswego High School, completed her first season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Ellis started the final three games of the year for the Gophers and played in 26 games this season. She finished the year averaging two points and one rebound a game, while dishing out two assists a game in only 12 minutes of action. Ellis had a career-high seven points against Kansas State in December and gave out six assists against Wisconsin in January. She also was a threat from long range, shooting over 40 percent from three point-land.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office
Contact: Dianne Boyer
(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building
516 15th Avenue S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

IVERSON COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Power forward Angie Iverson of Owatonna, Minn., and Owatonna High School, completed her first season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Iverson appeared in 24 games for the Gophers averaging three points and three rebounds a game. Iverson had her first career double-double against Kansas State with 13 points and 11 rebounds. She followed that performance with 19 points against Marquette, including going a sparkling 11-of-13 from the free throw line. She finished the season shooting 47 percent from the field and 78 percent from the charity stripe. Iverson also made the first three pointer of her career on any level against Kansas State.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office
Contact: Dianne Boyer
(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building
516 15th Avenue S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

KLUN COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Forward Sarah Klun of Madison, Wis., and LaFollette High School, completed her first season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Klun saw limited action this season as she appeared in only seven games for the Gophers. She averaged over two points and 1.3 rebounds a game. Klun had a career-high eight points and two rebounds against Illinois in only three minutes of action last February. Klun was also a perfect 4-for-4 from the free throw line this season.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office
Contact: Dianne Boyer
(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building
516 15th Avenue S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

LAWLER COMPLETES FINAL SEASON FOR THE GOPHERS

Senior Lori Lawler of Rochester, Minn., and Lourdes High School, closed out a stellar career with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Lawler, a guard or small forward, did a complete turnaround for the Gophers this season. After averaging only three points and two rebounds during her first three seasons with Minnesota, Lawler averaged 12 points and five rebounds a game in 1994-95 and was ranked in the top ten in the conference in assists (3.3 per game) and free throw percentage (.752). She had a career-high 21 points against Northwestern and poured in 20 against Wisconsin and 19 versus Penn State. Lawler also had career highs in rebounding (nine) and assists (eight) this year.

Lawler, a pre-med/philosophy major, won numerous academic awards this year, as well, including being named academic all-Big Ten for the third consecutive year. She also received the Roger Hagberg Memorial/Williams Fund Committee scholarship.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office
Contact: Dianne Boyer
(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building
516 15th Avenue S.E.
Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

MCNULTY COMPLETES SOPHOMORE SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Forward Kelly McNulty of Edina, Minn., and Edina High School, ended her sophomore season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

McNulty, who rejoined the team this season after missing a year due to personal reasons, was a valuable commodity off the bench for the Gophers this year. McNulty appeared in 20 games this season averaging 2.5 points in only six minutes of action. McNulty shot 64 percent from the field and 76 percent from the free throw line. She had her best game of the season against Wisconsin when she had eight points in 18 minutes. She scored in 15 of the 20 games she played this season.

McNulty also got the job done in the classroom as she was named an academic all-Big Ten selection for the first time in her career.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office

Contact: Dianne Boyer

(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building

516 15th Avenue S.E.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

NELSON COMPLETES SOPHOMORE SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Point guard Tonia Nelson of New London, Minn., and New London/Spicer High School, ended her sophomore season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Nelson started the first 24 games of the season for the Gophers and played in all 27 games this year. Nelson averaged two points, two rebounds and two assists a game in 1994-95. Nelson set career-highs in points (8 vs. Kansas State and Northern Iowa), rebounds (7 vs. Texas A&M) and assists (7 vs. Northern Iowa).

Nelson also got the job done in the classroom as she was named an academic all-Big Ten selection for the first time in her career.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office

Contact: Dianne Boyer

(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building

516 15th Avenue S.E.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

PEARSON AND LOEBLEIN COMPLETE FINAL SEASON FOR THE GOPHERS

Seniors Shannon Loeblein and Cara Pearson, of St. Paul, Minn., and Harding High School, closed out stellar careers with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Both Pearson and Loeblein, cocaptains of the 1994-95 Gophers squad, were named all-Big Ten this season, as Loeblein garnered second-team honors and Pearson honorable mention accolades. Loeblein, a shooting guard, was the second leading scorer for the Gophers and led the Big Ten in three-point shooting. She was also among the conference leaders in assists and steals.

On January 21, Loeblein made Minnesota history when she canned the 102nd trey of her career against Indiana to break the Minnesota career three point record held by Jodi Olson. Loeblein finished her career with 137 bombs and broke the Minnesota season records for three pointers made with 63 this season and treys attempted with 160. Loeblein also set a Sports Pavilion single game record with six threes and a Rec Hall record with seven three pointers and 15 attempts. Loeblein finished her Gopher career in the top ten for scoring (1,037), field goals attempted (955) and assists (250).

Loeblein also got the job done in the classroom as well as she was named academic all-Big Ten for the second time in her career.

Pearson, a power forward, needs to build a trophy case of her own. Pearson led the Gophers in scoring and rebounding and was one of only five players in the top ten in the conference in both categories. Pearson was also named to the Sports Channel-Chicago honorable mention all-Big Ten team. She received many other awards this season to put into the trophy case, including being named Big Ten Player of the Week for the period ending January 9, Minnesota Women's Athletics Athlete of the Month for December and all-tournament honors at both the Dial Soap Basketball Classic and the Bertha Teague Memorial Classic. Pearson also was named the Ramsey County (Minn.) Athlete of the Year in February.

Pearson scored in double figures in 26 of 27 games this season for the Gophers, including 23 straight to open the season. She entered the Minnesota career top ten lists in scoring (1,030), field goals made (404), field goals attempted (943), free throws made (221) and free throws attempted (351).

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office

Contact: Dianne Boyer

(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building

516 15th Avenue S.E.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

SCHIEBER COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Forward Sarah Schieber of Caledonia, Minn., and Caledonia High School, completed her first season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Schieber saw limited action for the Gophers this season as she appeared in nine games. She scored a career-high three points against Northern Iowa and had three rebounds against Monmouth.

Academically, Schieber was named the winner of a grant from the Rochester Area Alumni and Friends of the University of Minnesota, which will pay for books for one full year.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office

Contact: Dianne Boyer

(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building

516 15th Avenue S.E.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

SHUDLICK COMPLETES JUNIOR SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Junior forward Nancy Shudlick of Apple Valley, Minn. and Apple Valley High School, ended her junior season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Shudlick was a valuable reserve off the bench for head coach Linda Hill-MacDonald this season. For the season, Shudlick averaged 1.5 points and 1.5 rebounds in 17 games this year. Shudlick had her best game of the season when she scored four points and pulled down a career high eight rebounds in 15 minutes of action against Indiana in January.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office

Contact: Dianne Boyer

(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building

516 15th Avenue S.E.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

STAFFORD COMPLETES SOPHOMORE SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Post player Cheri Stafford of Ham Lake, Minn., and Blaine High School, ended her sophomore season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Stafford, after missing most of her first two seasons due to injuries, appeared in 24 games for Minnesota in 1994-95. Stafford started two games for the Gophers this year, including making her first collegiate start against Kansas State in December. On the season, Stafford averaged six points and five rebounds in 18 minutes for the Gophers and had a career-high 17 points against Oklahoma at the Bertha Teague Memorial Classic in December. Stafford scored in double figures in five games this year and had seven or more rebounds in 10 games this year.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.



UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

Women's Intercollegiate Athletics

Sports Information Office

Contact: Dianne Boyer

(612) 624-3335 Fax 624-8018

220 Bierman Field Athletic Building

516 15th Avenue S.E.

Minneapolis, Minnesota 55455

March 15, 1995

(for immediate release)

TAYLOR COMPLETES FIRST SEASON WITH THE GOPHERS

Point guard Swantreca Taylor of St. Paul, Minn., and Como Park High School, completed her first season with the University of Minnesota women's basketball team earlier this month.

Taylor, a lightning quick guard, appeared in 23 games for the Gophers averaging two points and one rebound an outing. Taylor made herself a name against Texas A&M when she played 12 minutes and completely disrupted the Aggie offense and defense. Taylor had a career-high seven points against Northwestern in December and grabbed three rebounds against both Indiana and Texas A&M.

The Gophers finished the season 12-15 overall and 7-9 in the Big Ten Conference. They were eliminated in the first round of the Big Ten Tournament March 3, falling to Iowa 57-44.