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GOPHERS CARRIE JOHNSON AND GRETCHEN BRANDT TO BE HONORED DURING HOMETOWN DAY

University of Minnesota soccer players Carrie Johnson and Gretchen Brandt, along with their hometowns, will be honored Sunday, Oct. 16, at halftime of the Gophers game against Northwestern at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field.

Special Hometown Day tickets will be available at Mounds View High School. For more information, call the Mounds View High School Athletic Office at (612) 633-4031.

Johnson, the daughter of Kevin and Mary Johnson, was a two-time all-Midwest Region selection as a junior and senior in high school, in addition to being chosen to the all-metro team as a senior. Johnson was also two-time all-conference and all-state her final two years at Mounds View.

An accomplished speed skater, Johnson was an alternate to the U.S. Olympic short track team at the 1992 games in Albertville, France. She was a member of the U.S. World short track speed skating team in 1991 and 1993.

As a Gopher, Johnson appeared in Minnesota's first seven matches of the season, starting six. Through the first seven games, Johnson had two assists, giving her two points for the season.

Brandt, the daughter of Dana and Mary Brandt, was a 1992 graduate of Mounds View High School. During high school, Brandt was a NSCAA all-America selection in 1992, the 1992 Metro Player of the Year, an all-Midwest selection in 1991 and 1992, and an all-state selection in 1991 and 1992.

As a Gopher, Brandt finished the 1993 season second on the Minnesota team in scoring with 15 goals and six assists for 36 points. Brandt's 36 points placed her 14th in the Central region in scoring.

In 1994, Brandt started Minnesota's first seven matches, scoring two goals and recording an assist for five points.

As a team, Minnesota began the season 3-2-2 overall and 1-1-1 in the Big Ten Conference.

Johnson and Brandt are two of 10 Minnesota women student athletes honored this year as part of the sixth-annual WCCO News/Talk 8•3•0 "Hometown Day" campaign. For more information on Hometown Days, call (612) 624-0800.



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GOPHERS START SEASON 2-0-2, 0-0-1 IN BIG TEN CONFERENCE

(Minneapolis, Minn.) -- The Minnesota Golden Gopher women's soccer team has produced some exciting moments early in the program's second year of existence. Following is a recap of events from Minnesota's first five games of 1994.

EIGHT TEAMS COMPETE FOR BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP -- With eight Big Ten Conference schools having women's soccer as a varsity sport, the Big Ten Conference will include women's soccer among its list of championships for the first time in 1994.

In addition to the Gophers, Michigan State and Wisconsin will be strong favorites to contend for the title, along with second-year programs Indiana and Ohio State. The remainder of the conference includes first-year programs Northwestern, Michigan and Penn State.

The season will conclude with an eight-team conference championship tournament, Nov. 4-6, in Madison, Wis. The winner of the tournament will not receive an automatic bid to the expanded 24-team NCAA tournament, but the top three teams in each of the four regions according to the ISAA rankings will be invited.

A LOOK AT THE 1994 MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS -- The Gophers returned 13 letterwinners and all 11 starters from last season's 13-6 team. Among the returning players is sophomore Jennifer Walek. Walek finished the 1993 season with 22 goals and nine assists for a total of 53 points, the fifth highest point total in the country. Walek's efforts earned her NSCAA/UMBRO all-Central Region second-team honors.

Joining Walek on the front line is junior Gretchen Brandt. Brandt finished the 1993 campaign with 15 goals and six assists for 36 points, 14th highest total in the Central Region.

At the midfield, the Gophers returned sophomore Erin Hussey, a proven midfielder with scoring potential. Hussey finished the 1993 year with six goals and five assists for 17 points. Included in Hussey's six goals was a three-goal game against St. Thomas.

Defensively, the Gophers have the services of senior Chelon Danielson for another season. Danielson made the transition from the midfield to sweeper last season and was an important member of the Gophers' defense that allowed only 27 goals. Joining Danielson defensively is senior Ellen Peterfeso. Listed as a defender/midfielder, Peterfeso provided three goals and seven assists for 13 points last season.

In goal for Minnesota this season is sophomore Teresa O'Hearn. O'Hearn finished her rookie campaign with a 1.95 goals against average while recording 73 saves.

Joining the Gophers this season is the foursome of Carrie Johnson, Michealene Denney, Nellie Barnes and Jennifer McElmury.

Johnson was a two-time all-Midwest selection, in addition to being an alternate to the 1992 U.S. Olympic short track speed skating team. Denney transferred from the University of North Carolina where she was twice a member of a national championship team. Barnes was a four-time all-state selection in the state of Georgia, while McElmury was the 1993 metro "Player of the Year" award winner.

GOPHERS RESUME BIG TEN SCHEDULE SEPT. 23 AND SEPT. 25 AT WISCONSIN AND INDIANA-- The Minnesota Golden Gopher women's soccer team resumes Big Ten Conference play this weekend, with games at Michigan, Friday, and at Indiana, Sunday. The Michigan game will start at noon CST, while the Indiana game will be at 12:30 p.m. CST. Minnesota is 0-0-1 in conference and 2-1-2 overall.

Hometown 2-2-2

--A LOOK BACK AT THE GOPHER MATCHES--

--SEPT. 17-18--

GOPHERS EARN ONE POINT DURING WEEKEND INVITATIONAL IN MADISON, WIS.-- McElmury scored her fifth goal of the year, as the Gophers tied Colorado College, Saturday, Sept. 17, before losing 2-0 to seventh-ranked William & Mary, Sunday, Sept. 18. Both games were played in Madison, Wis., and were part of the University of Wisconsin/Rocky Rococo Soccer Invitational.

Against the Tigers, McElmury scored at the 66 minute mark on a goal assisted by Brandt to tie the game at 1-1. Burnsville native Jamie Haire scored for Colorado College in the 39th minute off a direct free kick to give the Tigers a 1-0 lead.

O'Hearn tied a career-best with 13 saves in the match.

On Sunday, Minnesota fell behind early as two-time All-America selection Natalie Neaton scored 54 seconds into the match to give William & Mary a 1-0 lead. William & Mary's second goal of the game came in the 58th minute on a penalty kick by Anne Cook.

Final scores from the University of Wisconsin/Rocky Rococo Soccer Invitational:

Saturday, Sept. 17

Minnesota 1, Colorado College 1 OT
#19 Wisconsin 2, #7 William & Mary 0

Sunday, Sept. 18

#7 William & Mary 2, Minnesota 0
#19 Wisconsin 7, Colorado College 3 OT
-Wisconsin wins team title

TWO GOPHERS SELECTED TO ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM--Two Gophers received all-tournament recognition for their efforts. McElmury, along with Walek were selected to the 11-member team.

University of Wisconsin/Rocky Rococo Soccer Invitational all-tournament team:

D Jill Stewart, Wisconsin
D Jennifer Jones, Wisconsin
D Katie Shank, Colorado College
MF Jennifer McElmury, Minnesota
MF Jackie Billet, Wisconsin
MF Jenn Baumann, William & Mary
MF Carrie Maier, Wisconsin
F Jennifer Walek, Minnesota
F Natalie Neaton, William & Mary
GK Ursala McNiout, Wisconsin
--MVP Offense: Natalie Neaton, William & Mary
--MVP Defense: Jill Stewart, Wisconsin

--SEPT. 9-11--

WEEKEND AT HOME PRODUCES A PAIR OF WINS FOR GOPHERS -- Minnesota earned its first and second victories of the weekend, as the Gophers defeated Wisconsin-Milwaukee, 5-1, and St. Cloud State, 9-0. Both matches were played at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field.

Against Wisconsin-Milwaukee on Sept. 9, McElmury scored her first and second goals of the season, as the Gophers built a 3-1 halftime lead before coasting to the 5-1 victory. Also scoring their first goal of the season in the win was Brandt, Peterfeso and Barnes

Against St. Cloud State on Sept. 11, nine different Gophers earned at least one point in the 9-0 victory. Seven Gophers scored a goal, including Walek and McElmury -- who had two goals apiece in the game. Walek also finished with two assists, giving her six points for the afternoon.

HUSSEY TIES SCHOOL RECORD IN WIN OVER ST. CLOUD -- Hussey scored one goal and had one assist in the win over St. Cloud State. With the assist, Hussey tied the school record for most consecutive games with at least one assist at five games. Hussey, who is tied with Brandt, began her streak last season against Marquette and now has eight career assists -- second most in the program's short history.

Hometown 3-3-3

--SEPT. 4--

GOPHERS, MICHIGAN STATE BATTLE TO TIE IN SEASON OPENER -- The Big Ten Conference's first women's soccer match ever, did not produce the first Big Ten Conference victory.

After 120 minutes of play on the rain-soaked St. Paul Campus Soccer Field, the Gophers and the Spartans of Michigan State finished the historic event tied 1-1.

Michigan State scored early on Becky Ketola's unassisted goal at the 3:31 mark of the first half, taking the 1-0 lead into the second half. Walek tied the game for good with a goal at the 56:12 mark, assisted by sophomore Hussey. The goal was Walek's 23rd of her career after scoring 22 last season.

Also contributing in the game was O'Hearn, who tied a career-best with 13 saves.

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Composite stats
Week 3

Player	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Heather Anderson	5	0	0	2	0	0
Nellie Barnes	5	5	2	7	1	5
Gretchen Brandt	5	5	2	16	1	5
Chelon Danielson	5	5	0	0	0	0
Merritt Davis	4	0	0	1	0	0
Mehgan Dehart	2	0	0	0	0	0
Michealene Denney	5	5	0	4	0	0
Molly Hellmuth	3	0	1	3	1	3
Erin Hussey	5	5	1	8	3	5
Allison Johnson	2	0	0	0	0	0
Carrie Johnson	5	5	0	2	2	2
Jennifer McElmury	5	5	5	18	1	11
Anne Meitz	5	5	0	10	1	1
Ellen Peterfeso	5	5	1	9	1	3
Sarah Scripp	5	0	1	6	0	2
Kristen Totushek	0	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Walek	5	5	3	12	2	8
Totals	71	50	16	98	13	45

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	shared
Teresa O'Hearn	5	5	493	5	42	.91	0	1
Miriam Law	1	0	17	0	0	0.00	0	1
Totals	6	5	510	5	42	.88	0	1

Team Stats

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
17	61	0

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	8	8	0	0	16
Opponent	4	1	0	0	5

1994 Minnesota Soccer

Reference schedule

Week 3

Date	Opponent	w/l/t	Score	Rec.	Att.
SEPT. 4	MICHIGAN STATE*	T	1-1	0-0-1	454
SEPT. 9	WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE	W	5-1	1-0-1	270
SEPT. 11	ST. CLOUD STATE	W	9-0	2-0-1	264
Sept. 17	vs. Colorado College (Madison, WI)	T	1-1	2-0-2	100
Sept. 18	vs. #7 William & Mary (Madison, WI)	L	0-2	2-1-2	75
Sept. 23	at Michigan*				
Sept. 25	at Indiana*				
Sept. 30	at Ohio State*				
Oct. 2	vs. Virginia Tech (Columbus, OH)				
OCT. 7	VALPARAISO				
OCT. 9	PENN STATE*				
OCT. 14	MONTANA				
OCT. 16	NORTHWESTERN*				
OCT. 22	WISCONSIN*				
Oct. 28	at San Diego				
Oct. 30	at San Diego State				
Nov. 4	at Big Ten Championship				
Nov. 5	at Big Ten Championship				
Nov. 6	at Big Ten Championship				

* *Big Ten Conference game*
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GOPHERS FINISH REGULAR SEASON IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA--The Minnesota Golden Gopher women's soccer team will conclude its regular season this weekend, when the Gophers play a pair of games in California.

Friday, Oct. 28, Minnesota will play the University of San Diego and Sunday, Oct. 30, the Gophers will match skills against San Diego State.

GOPHERS RANKED IN REGION FOR FIRST TIME -- On the heels of their upset victory over then 13th-ranked Wisconsin, the Minnesota Golden Gophers received their first regional ranking in school history. The Gophers entered the ISAA poll in the 10th spot, following the 2-0 victory at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field, Oct. 22.

With no conference champions receiving an automatic bid to the 24-team NCAA tournament in November, the selection committee will grant an invitation to the top three ranked teams in each of the four regions, then select 12 teams from the remaining teams ranked in each region.

The selection will be announced, Sunday, Nov. 7, after the Gophers compete at the Big Ten Championships in Madison, Wis., Nov. 4-6.

ISAA National Rankings (10-24-94)

1. Notre Dame	239 points	15-0-1
2. North Carolina	229	16-1-1
3. Stanford	216	12-1-0
4. Duke	194	13-3-1
5. William & Mary	190	13-3-0
6. Connecticut	189	15-2-0
7. Hartford	167	12-2-1
8. Portland	160	11-4-0
9. Santa Clara	141	10-4-1
10. Virginia	134	12-3-2
11. Dartmouth	112	9-2-1
12. Oregon State	104	12-3-0
13. Clemson	91	14-3-1
14. Brown	69	8-3-0
15. Washington	68	10-4-1
16. Wisconsin	67	12-5-0
17. Massachusetts	55	10-5-0
18. Vanderbilt	33	13-4-0
19. George Wash.	27	10-6-0
20. St. Mary's (Ca.)	21	8-5-1

ISAA Central Region Poll (10-24-94)

1. Notre Dame	15-0-1
2. William & Mary	13-3
3. Virginia	12-3-2
4. Wisconsin	12-5-0
5. George Wash.	10-6-0
6. Michigan State	11-3-1
7. Cincinnati	9-4-2
8. James Madison	8-5-1
9. Creighton	12-2-0
10. Minnesota	8-3-4

Also receiving votes: Central Florida, Michigan State

--A RECAP OF RECENT GOPHER GAMES--

GOPHERS BEAT 13TH-RANKED WISCONSIN, TIE MARQUETTE IN FINAL HOME GAMES --

For the first time in school history, Minnesota defeated a nationally-ranked opponent, defeating 13th-ranked Wisconsin, 2-0, Saturday, Oct. 22, in front of a school record 644 fans at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Sunday, Oct. 23, Minnesota tied Marquette, 0-0, in the team's final home game of the 1994 season.

Against the Badgers, junior **GRETCHEN BRANDT** (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) haunted her former teammates early and sophomore **ERIN HUSSEY** (PLYMOUTH, MN/WAYZATA) sealed the victory late.

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Soccer Hometown II 2-2-2

Brandt put Minnesota ahead, 1-0, at the 4:54 mark when she took a pass from senior ELLEN PETERFESO (LAKE ELMO, MN/HILL MURRAY) and beat Badger goaltender Ursula McKnight. Minnesota maintained the 1-0 lead for over 80 minutes until Hussey sealed the victory with her fourth goal of the season. Hussey's goal was assisted by frosh JENNIFER MCELMURY (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE).

Against the Golden Eagles, Sunday, Minnesota out-shot Marquette 24-13, but could not find the back of the net. Sophomore goaltender TERESA O'HEARN (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA) earned her second consecutive shutout for the first time in her career. O'Hearn improved her goals against average from 1.13 to .97 with the two weekend shutouts.

GOPHERS SCORE NINE GOALS IN TWO WEEKEND WINS -- Minnesota scored nine goals against Montana and Northwestern, defeating Montana, 4-1, Friday, Oct. 14 and Northwestern, 5-1, Sunday, Oct. 16.

Against the Lady Griz, four different Gophers scored at least one goal while sophomore JENNIFERWALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL) recorded two assists. Hussey scored 11:19 into the game to give Minnesota a 1-0 lead. Montana rebounded to tie the game at 1-1 on a Stacy Forslund goal at the 21:12. The game remained tied until the 64:04 point when Brandt scored on a crossing pass by Walek. Frosh CARRIE JOHNSON (ROSEVILLE, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) and McElmury scored Minnesota's other two goals.

Sunday, the Gophers built a 2-0 lead on goals by McElmury and Hussey before Northwestern countered with a Ginger Tosch goal before halftime to cut the lead to 2-1. Minnesota went scoreless for over 45 minutes until Peterfeso increased Minnesota's lead to 3-1 at the 63:02 mark. Johnson and Walek scored Minnesota's other two goals.

GOPHERS EARN SPLIT AT HOME DURING WEEKEND -- Minnesota began the weekend with a 4-0 victory, Friday, Oct. 7, against Valparaiso at the St. Paul Campus Soccer Field. Walek scored two goals in the win, while Brandt and Peterfeso recorded two assists apiece.

Minnesota dominated the match, out-shooting Valparaiso 49-5. McElmury and senior MOLLY HELLMUTH (MADISON, WI/MADISON WEST) scored Minnesota's other two goals in the win.

On Sunday, Oct. 9, the Gophers built a 2-0 first-half lead against the Lady Lions of Penn State. Walek scored Minnesota's first goal only 2:48 into the game on a goal assisted by McElmury. McElmury gave the Gophers' their 2-0 lead at the 34:38 mark, on a goal assisted by senior CHELON DANIELSON (STILLWATER, MN/STILLWATER).

Penn State battled back with two goals by Rachel Hoffman and the game-winner by Lauren Olmsted with 27 seconds remaining in the second overtime.

---GOPHER NOTES ---

HEAD COACH SUE MONTAGNE -- Gopher head coach Sue Montagne is currently in her second season with Minnesota and her second season as a head coach. Montagne's record at Minnesota and overall career coaching record is 21-9-4 (.676)

HOME SWEET HOME -- The Gophers have played 15 games at home in almost two seasons of varsity soccer. Minnesota is 13-2-2 at home, having outscored its opponents 68-12.

THREE IS NOT A CROWD -- Minnesota is 16-0 lifetime when the team scores three or more goals.

NO MORE OVERTIME -- Minnesota has played five overtime games during the 1994 season and six all-time. The Gophers are 0-2-4 in overtime games. Minnesota has never scored a goal in overtime.

BACK-TO-BACK -- GOPHERS LIKE DAY ONE -- In addition to consecutive games against Wisconsin and Marquette, Oct. 22 & 23 Minnesota has played two games in consecutive days only one other time this season. The Gophers tied Colorado College, 1-1, Sept. 17 and lost to seventh-ranked William & Mary, 2-0, Sept. 18. Lifetime, the Gophers are 5-1-1 the first day of consecutive games and 4-1 on day two.

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Soccer Hometwon II 3-3-3

GOPHERS HAVE NEVER LOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES -- Minnesota's 4-1 victory, Oct. 14, against the Lady Griz of Montana eliminated the most recent possibility of Minnesota losing two consecutive games. The Gophers lost to Penn State, 3-2, in overtime in its previous game, Oct. 9.

Minnesota has never lost consecutive games. The Gophers did lose to Indiana, 3-2, earlier in the season before tying Ohio State 1-1 in their next game.

GOPHERS 1-2 AGAINST NATIONALLY RANKED OPPONENTS -- Minnesota's 2-0 victory over 13th-ranked Wisconsin gave the Gophers their first victory over a nationally-ranked opponent. Minnesota lost to 17th-ranked Wisconsin last season, 5-0, and seventh-ranked William & Mary, 2-0, earlier this season.

MCELMURY BREAKS SCHOOL RECORD -- McElmury's assist late in the Wisconsin game gave the 5'5" midfielder a sixth consecutive game where she recorded at least on point. The previous record was five, set by Brandt, Hussey and sophomore JENNIFER WALEK (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL) twice. Walek's most recent streak ended against Wisconsin.

HOME ATTENDANCE RECORD BROKEN -- Minnesota's school record crowd of 644 against Wisconsin help the Gophers break last season's average attendance of 317. The 1994 season produced 3,361 fans for nine home games, an average of 373.

WHAT'S NEXT -- Following this weekend's trip to California, Minnesota will travel to Madison, Wis., for the Big Ten Conference Championships. The championship will consist of all eight Big Ten women's soccer teams competing in a single elimination tournament.

The tournament begins Friday, Nov. 4 and will conclude Sunday, Nov. 6. No automatic bid will be awarded to the NCAA tournament for the conference champion.

1994 Minnesota Soccer

Composite stats
FIFTEEN GAMES

Player	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Heather Anderson	10	1	0	4	1	1
Nellie Barnes	15	15	2	9	1	5
Gretchen Brandt	15	14	6	40	3	15
Chelon Danielson	14	14	0	15	1	1
Merritt Davis	14	10	0	2	0	0
Mehgan Dehart	4	0	0	0	0	0
Michealene Denney	15	15	0	9	0	0
Molly Hellmuth	8	1	2	12	1	5
Erin Hussey	15	15	4	36	4	12
Allison Johnson	8	0	0	2	0	0
Carrie Johnson	15	8	2	15	3	7
Jennifer McElmury	15	14	11	64	6	28
Anne Meitz	14	6	1	20	2	4
Ellen Peterfeso	15	14	2	32	5	9
Sarah Scripp	15	8	1	12	2	4
Kristen Totushek	1	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Walek	15	15	11	39	5	27
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Totals	207	150	42	311	35	119

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	shared
Teresa O'Hearn	15	15	1,483	16	107	.97	3	1
Miriam Law	1	0	17	0	0	0.00	0	1
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Totals	16	15	1,500	16	107	.96	3	1

Team Stats

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
66	165	1

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	18	24	0	0	42
Opponent	9	6	0	1	16

1994 Minnesota Soccer

Reference schedule

Week 8

Date	Opponent	w/l/t	Score	Rec.	Att.
SEPT. 4	MICHIGAN STATE*	T	1-1 OT	0-0-1 (0-0-1)	454
SEPT. 9	WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE	W	5-1	1-0-1	270
SEPT. 11	ST. CLOUD STATE	W	9-0	2-0-1	264
Sept. 17	vs. Colorado College (Madison, WI)	T	1-1 OT	2-0-2	100
Sept. 18	vs. #7 William & Mary (Madison, WI)	L	0-2	2-1-2	75
Sept. 23	at Michigan*	W	2-1	3-1-2 (1-0-1)	100
Sept. 25	at Indiana*	L	2-3	3-2-2 (1-1-1)	100
Sept. 30	at Ohio State*	T	1-1 OT	3-2-3 (1-1-2)	100
Oct. 2	vs. Virginia Tech (Columbus, OH)	W	4-1	4-2-3	50
OCT. 7	VALPARAISO	W	4-0	5-2-3	275
OCT. 9	PENN STATE*	L	2-3 OT	5-3-3 (1-2-2)	517
OCT. 14	MONTANA	W	4-1	6-3-3	206
OCT. 16	NORTHWESTERN*	W	5-1	7-3-3 (2-2-2)	486
OCT. 22	#13 WISCONSIN*	W	2-0	8-3-3 (3-2-2)	644
OCT. 23	MARQUETTE	T	0-0	8-3-4	245
Oct. 28	at San Diego				
Oct. 30	at San Diego State				
Nov. 4	at Big Ten Championship				
Nov. 5	at Big Ten Championship				
Nov. 6	at Big Ten Championship				

* Big Ten Conference game

CAPS -- Home games

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Quick Stats about 1994 Golden Gopher Soccer:

Overall Record:	8-3-4
Big Ten Record:	3-2-2
Home Record:	6-1-2
Away Record:	1-1-1
Neutral Field Record:	1-1-1
Overtime Record:	0-1-4
Goals for:	42
Average:	2.80
Goals Against:	16
Average:	1.07
Goals for, first half:	18
Average:	1.20
Goals for, second half:	24
Average:	1.60
Goals for, overtime:	0
Goals against, first half:	9
Average:	.60
Goals against, second half:	6
Average:	.40
Goals against, overtime:	1
Total Attendance:	3,886
Average:	259
Home Attendance:	3,361
Average:	373- (nine games)
Single home game attendance record:	644 vs. Wisconsin (10-22-94)
Season home attendance record (average):	373 - 1994
Away Attendance:	300
Average:	100 - (three matches)
Single away game attendance record:	425 at Wisconsin (10-8-93)
Neutral Attendance:	225
Average:	75 (three matches)



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GOPHERS FINISH SECOND AT INAUGURAL BIG TEN WOMEN'S SOCCER CHAMPIONSHIP --
The Minnesota Golden Gopher women's soccer team made history, Sunday, Nov. 6 in Madison, Wis., as the Gophers and Wisconsin became the first two teams to compete in the championship game of the Big Ten Women's Soccer Championship.

Minnesota, seeded fifth in the eight-team field, defeated Ohio State, 3-1, and top-seeded Michigan State, 1-0, before losing the 10th-ranked Wisconsin, 3-0, in the championship.

-A RECAP OF THE GOPHERS AT THE BIG TEN CHAMPIONSHIP--

FIRST ROUND--(5) MINNESOTA 3, (4) OHIO STATE 1 -- The Gophers began quickly, as Minnesota scored three first half goals in route to defeating fourth-seeded Ohio State, 3-1, in the opening round, Friday, Nov. 4. Sophomore **JENNIFER WALEK** (LAKE ELMO, MN/N. ST. PAUL) scored two goals, the first coming at the 32:27 mark. Walek's second goal came just over ten minutes later when the 5'4" forward blasted a shot over the head of Buckeye goalie **Nicole Morris** from 30-yards out.

Junior **GRETCHEN BRANDT** (SHOREVIEW, MN/MOUNDS VIEW) scored Minnesota final goal with just over 12 minutes remaining in the half.

Ohio State's goal came at the 70:05 mark when **Tiffany Tisdale** scored from an assist by **Lisa Suttmler**.

SEMI-FINALS--(5) MINNESOTA 1, (1) MICHIGAN STATE 0 -- Bad weather became Minnesota's best friend when Walek scored her third goal of the tournament and her 14th of the season at the 32:51 mark

On a cold and rainy day, Walek's goal happened when Spartan goalkeeper **Erin O'Connell** mishandled a free kick by Gopher frosh **JENNIFER MCELMURY** (WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN/WHITE BEAR LAKE).

Michigan State outshot the Gophers 18-7 for the game and 9-1 in the second half. Gopher goaltender **TERESA O'HEARN** (CHAMPLIN, MN/ANOKA) earned her fourth shutout of the season, while recording 10 saves during the win.

CHAMPIONSHIP (3) #10 WISCONSIN 3, (5) MINNESOTA -- The Badgers scored the game's first goal 32:52 into the game when St. Paul, Minn., native **Ruth Brennan** scored on an assist from **Jackie Billet**. Brennan scored Wisconsin's second goal and her third of the season at the 71:29 mark to give Wisconsin a 2-0 lead. **Carrie Maier** added insurance from Wisconsin with a goal at the 84:03 point.

Scores from inaugural Big Ten Women's Soccer Championship

First Round

- (5) Minnesota 3, (4) Ohio State 1
- (3) #10 Wisconsin 1, (6) Indiana 0
- (1) Michigan State 4, (8) Northwestern 0
- (7) Michigan 1 (3), Penn State 1 (1)

Semi-finals

- (5) Minnesota 1, (1) Michigan State 0
- (3) #10 Wisconsin 3, (7) Michigan 0

Championship

- (3) #10 Wisconsin 3, (5) Minnesota 0

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GOPHERS FINISH SEASON RANKED NINTH IN CENTRAL REGION -- On the heels of a successful Big Ten Conference Tournament, the Gophers received their second regional ranking in school history -- appearing ninth in the final ISAA Central Region Top 10.

Minnesota's other regional ranking came Oct. 24, when the Gophers appeared in the 10th spot following their 2-0 victory over then 13th-ranked Wisconsin.

The Gophers were one of three Big Ten teams to appear in the final rankings. Wisconsin, despite winning the conference crown, dropped from third to fourth in the weekly ranking, while Michigan State dropped from eighth to 10th following a 1-1 Big Ten tournament.

Final ISAA Central Region Rankings (11/7/94)

1. Notre Dame	20-0-1
2. William & Mary	16-3-0
3. Virginia	13-4-2
4. Wisconsin	15-5-0
5. George Mason	15-2-2
6. George Washington	12-8-0
7. Cincinnati	15-4-2
8. James Madison	12-6-1
9. Minnesota	10-6-4
10. Michigan State	12-5-2

THREE GOPHERS RECEIVE ALL-BIG TEN RECOGNITION -- Three University of Minnesota women soccer players received all-Big Ten recognition, announced Thursday, Nov. 3, at the inaugural Big Ten Women's Soccer Championship banquet.

McElmury and Walek received first team all-conference honors and McElmury was awarded the Big Ten's Freshman of the Year award. Sophomore MICHEALENE DENNEY (OMAHA, NE/MARIAN) received second team all-conference honors. Walek finished the season with 14 goals and six assists for 34 points, while McElmury concluded her first season with 11 goals and six assists for 28 points. Denney, a defender, transferred to Minnesota from the University of North Carolina.

1994 Big Ten Women's soccer all-Conference teams

First Team

GK--Ursula McKnight, sophomore, Wisconsin
D--Wendy Dillinger, sophomore, Indiana
D--Bree Blakely, sophomore, Ohio State
D--Jill Stewart, sophomore, Wisconsin
MF--Wendy Dillinger, sophomore, Indiana
MF--Karen Winslow, senior, Michigan State
MF--Jennifer McElmury, frosh, Minnesota
MF--Jackie Billet, junior, Wisconsin
MF--Marci Miller, frosh, Wisconsin
F--Kristin Lester, sophomore, Michigan State
F--Jennifer Walek, sophomore, Minnesota
F--Rachel Hoffman, frosh, Penn State

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Second Team

GK--Nicole Morris, sophomore, Ohio State
D--Michealene Denney, sophomore, Minnesota
D--Christina Crawford, frosh, Northwestern
D--Heather Maier, sophomore, Wisconsin
MF--Debbie Flaherty, frosh, Michigan
MF--Jodie Stranges, frosh, Ohio State
MF--Cheri Skibski, senior, Wisconsin
F--Kris Fosdick, frosh, Indiana
F--Lisa Suttmiller, frosh, Ohio State
F--Tiffany Tisdale, frosh, Ohio State

Athlete of the Year--Karen Winslow, senior, Michigan State
Freshman of the Year--Jennifer McElmury, frosh, Minnesota
Coach of the Year--Tom Saxton, Michigan State

WISCONSIN ONLY BIG TEN TEAM INVITED TO BIG DANCE -- With no automatic bid for winning the Big Ten Conference, the Badgers of Wisconsin were the only Big Ten Team to receive an invitation to the 24-team NCAA Soccer Championship.

The 10th-ranked Badgers lost to 20th-ranked Washington State, 3-1, Wednesday, Nov. 9 in Madison. Washington State is under the helm of first-year coach and former Minnesota assistant coach, Lisa Gozley

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Composite stats FINAL

Player	GP	GS	Goals	Shots	Assists	Points
Heather Anderson	11	1	0	4	1	1
Nellie Barnes	20	20	2	9	1	5
Gretchen Brandt	20	19	7	45	3	17
Chelon Danielson	19	19	0	18	1	1
Merritt Davis	19	15	0	4	1	1
Mehgan Dehart	4	0	0	0	0	0
Michealene Denney	20	20	0	9	0	0
Molly Hellmuth	10	1	2	12	1	5
Erin Hussey	20	20	5	42	4	14
Allison Johnson	11	0	0	2	0	0
Carrie Johnson	20	8	2	17	3	7
Jennifer McElmury	20	19	11	71	6	28
Anne Meitz	19	6	1	21	2	4
Ellen Peterfeso	20	19	3	39	5	11
Sarah Scripp	20	13	1	13	2	4
Kristen Totushek	1	0	0	0	0	0
Jennifer Walek	20	20	14	44	6	34
Totals	273	200	48	350	36	132

Goalies	GP	GS	Min.	GA	Saves	GAA	SO	shared
Teresa O'Hearn	20	20	1,933	24	140	1.12	4	1
Miriam Law	1	0	17	0	0	0.00	0	1
Totals	21	20	1,950	24	140	1.11	4	1

Team Stats

Corner Kicks	Fouls	Penalty Kicks
77	229	1

Scoring by periods	1st	2nd	OT	OT	Total
Minnesota	22	26	0	0	48
Opponent	13	10	0	1	24

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Reference schedule
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Date	Opponent	w/l/t	Score	Rec.	Att.
SEPT. 4	MICHIGAN STATE*	T	1-1 OT	0-0-1 (0-0-1)	454
SEPT. 9	WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE	W	5-1	1-0-1	270
SEPT. 11	ST. CLOUD STATE	W	9-0	2-0-1	264
Sept. 17	vs. Colorado College (Madison, WI)	T	1-1 OT	2-0-2	100
Sept. 18	vs. #7 William & Mary (Madison, WI)	L	0-2	2-1-2	75
Sept. 23	at Michigan*	W	2-1	3-1-2 (1-0-1)	100
Sept. 25	at Indiana*	L	2-3	3-2-2 (1-1-1)	100
Sept. 30	at Ohio State*	T	1-1 OT	3-2-3 (1-1-2)	100
Oct. 2	vs. Virginia Tech (Columbus, OH)	W	4-1	4-2-3	50
OCT. 7	VALPARAISO	W	4-0	5-2-3	275
OCT. 9	PENN STATE*	L	2-3 OT	5-3-3 (1-2-2)	517
OCT. 14	MONTANA	W	4-1	6-3-3	206
OCT. 16	NORTHWESTERN*	W	5-1	7-3-3 (2-2-2)	486
OCT. 22	#13 WISCONSIN*	W	2-0	8-3-3 (3-2-2)	644
OCT. 23	MARQUETTE	T	0-0	8-3-4	245
Oct. 28	at San Diego	L	1-2	8-4-4	227
Oct. 30	at San Diego State	L	1-2	8-5-4	189
<i>Nov. 4-6</i>	<i>at Big Ten Championship</i>				
Nov. 4	vs. (4) Ohio State	W	3-1	9-5-4	109
Nov. 5	vs. (1) Michigan State	W	1-0	10-5-4	365
Nov. 6	vs. (3) #10 Wisconsin	L	0-3	10-6-4	761

* Big Ten Conference game

CAPS -- Home games

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Quick Stats about 1994 Golden Gopher Soccer:

Overall Record:	10-6-4
Big Ten Record:	3-2-2
Big Ten Tournament Record:	2-1-0
Home Record:	6-1-2
Away Record:	1-4-1
Neutral Field Record:	3-1-1
Overtime Record:	0-1-4
Goals for:	48
Average:	2.40
Goals Against:	24
Average:	1.20
Goals for, first half:	22
Average:	1.11
Goals for, second half:	26
Average:	1.30
Goals for, overtime:	0
Goals against, first half:	13
Average:	.65
Goals against, second half:	10
Average:	.50
Goals against, overtime:	1
Total Attendance:	5,537
Average:	277
Home Attendance:	3,361
Average:	373- (nine games)
Single home game attendance record:	644 vs. Wisconsin (10-22-94)
Season home attendance record (average):	373 - 1994
Away Attendance:	1,477
Average:	246 - (six matches)
Single away game attendance record:	761 at Wisconsin (11-6-94) --Big Ten Championship game
Neutral Attendance:	699
Average:	140 (five matches)