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STANFORD UNIVERSITY

As part of the weekend extravaganza of gymnastics, Stanford and California competed in the NCAA portion of the Stanford Open on Saturday night. In front of a sold out crowd at Burnham Pavilion, the Cardinal had several outstanding performances in meet that was non-team scored.

The meet gave head coach Thom Glielmi a chance to get several athletes meet experience with several veterans resting or competing as individuals.

Freshman Eddie Penev led Stanford as the only athlete to compete in every event. Penev



PENEV

wowed on both the vault and in the floor exercise, taking the top score on each event. The Rochester, N.Y. native scored a 15.7 on the vault and a 15.4 in the floor exercise. Penev totaled a 82.85 in his first try at the all-around as a collegian.

The other top performer for Stanford was John Martin who had the high score on both the parallel bars and the pommel horse. Martin scored 14.55 on the parallel bars for the top score overall, while his 13.7 on the pommel horse trailed three athletes from Cal.

Among the other highlight performances for Stanford came from Cameron Foreman, who nailed his routine on the high bar, including a perfect landing, for a score of 14.6. The rou-

tine was the best of the day for Stanford.

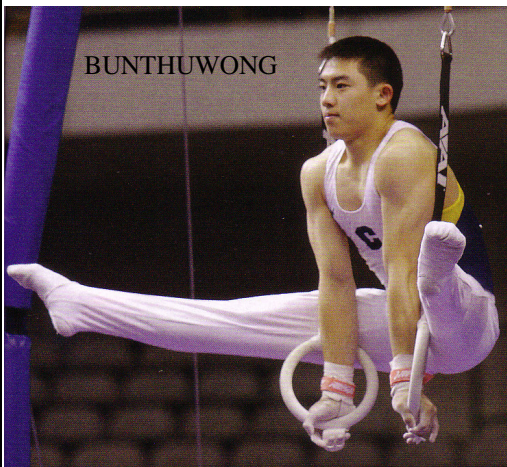
Finally, freshman James Fosco had the top performance on rings. His score of 14.75 was easily the top score in the event.

Stanford and California were the only NCAA teams in the Open

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

California won pommel horse and took home two individual event wins at the annual Stanford Open on Saturday evening at the Cardinal's Burnham Pavilion. Putting up a full team on pommel horse, the Golden Bears won the event, 56.450-51.400. Stanford took home the meet title, 337.950-238.300. (According to the Stanford release the meet was non-team scored officially.)

Kyle Bunthuwong took home the event title on high bar with a 15.050, well ahead of Stanford's Cameron Foreman (14.600). Raion Sab



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led to third with Eddie Penev at 14.050 while Nic Blair and Abhinav Ramani tied for fifth (13.900).

Pommel horse was a smashing event for Cal with the Bears sweeping the first three spots on the podium. Glen Ishino was first on the squad and of the meet with a 15.200 while Donothan Bailey took second (14.150) and Bunthuwong narrowly behind him in third (14.100). Holding down the sixth and seventh spots, respectively, were Nic Blair (13.000) and Bryan del Castillo (12.600).

On parallel bars, it was John Martin who came in first (14.550) but Cal's Eric Haeussler was right behind him in a tie for second with Nicholas Noone, both scoring a 14.200.

Steven Lacombe paced the Bears on still rings, notching a 13.650 for third, just .050 behind second-place finisher Nicholas Noone (13.700).

Two Bears tied for fourth on vault with Bai-

ley and Jean Monteclaro each earning a 14.550 from the judges. Fellow freshman Christian Monteclaro came in at seventh with a 13.800.

Haeussler led the Bears on floor with a 14.500 for third. Bailey and Ramani tied for fourth (14.450) while Lacombe took seventh (14.000).

The Bears rested several members of the team at this third consecutive dual meet against defending national champion Stanford.

"We will soon have Glen Ishino back in full soon as well as Swiss national team star Dennis Mannhart, as well," Weiner said. "We will field a complete and very strong line-up in the weeks to come." "Team morale is very good," Weiner said.

Cal entered only 3 gymnasts in FX, 1-SR, 3-V, and 2-PB.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Three Huskers combined for five event titles as Nebraska placed second behind Minnesota in Minneapolis, Minn., on Saturday night (Jan. 30). NU earned a season-high team score of 342.400 for second place, while Minnesota placed first with a score of 350.550 and Air Force placed third with a score of 329.800.

John Robinson captured his first title of the year with a season-high score of 86.20 in the AA. Robinson also earned his first career parallel bars title, tying his career-high score of 14.60. Kyle Shanahan earned two event

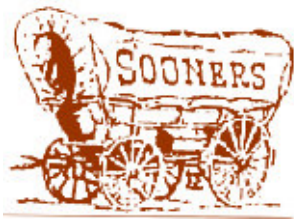


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crowns, floor exercise (15.20), before earning his first high bar title of the season with a score of 14.65. Anthony Ingrelli notched his second-consecutive event crown of the year on still rings with a season-high score of 14.70.

The Huskers earned five additional top-

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three finishes, including a second place finish by Shanahan on still rings with a score of 14.40, while Robinson earned a second-place finish on pommel horse with a career-high score of 14.15. Freshman Andreas Hofer placed second on vault with a career-high score of 15.90, while Bear Danley placed third on high bar with a score of 14.30. Shanahan also earned a third-place finish in the all-around with a score of 85.75.

With four college teams and several junior club teams participating in the meet, Nebraska was forced out of Olympic order for the entire competition. However, the order change did not hinder the Huskers on still rings in the first rotation, as they posted a season-high score of 57.40 behind first- and second-place finishes by Ingrelli and Shanahan. Cory Baumgarten started a string of season-high scores for the Huskers, as he earned a season- and career-high score of 14.00 on the apparatus. Four additional Husker gymnasts bettered their Rocky Mountain Open scores, including Robinson (14.30), Shanahan (14.40), Maras (14.10) and Ingrelli.

Nebraska kept up the momentum in the second rotation, posting a season-high score of 57.65 on floor exercise behind Shanahan's first-place finish. Despite a rough start on the event, Shanahan and Robinson stepped up for the Huskers, both posting career-high scores of 15.20 and 14.85, respectively. Andreas Hofer earned a season-high score of 14.00, while Bear Danley notched his second-highest career score on the event.

The Huskers moved to pommel horse in the third rotation, earning a season-high score of 53.20 behind Robinson's second-place event finish. The senior notched his second career-high of the night with a score of 14.15, topping his previous horse career-high of 14.10 set in the 2008 season. Three more Huskers earned season-high scores, including redshirt freshman David Jacobs (13.40), Danley (12.95) and Shanahan (12.70).

NU posted another season-high on high bar in the fourth rotation with a team score of 55.95, as Shanahan captured the high bar event title. Danley also rounded out the top-three finishers, with a season-high score of 14.30. Overall, five Huskers earned season-high scores on high bar, including Danley, Shanahan, Rusler (13.00), Josh Dilworth (12.95), Hofer (14.00) and Shanahan.

NU earned its best vault in two seasons, as it posted a team score of 62.65. Hofer placed second in the event standings with a team-

and career-high score of 15.90. Baumgarten also earned a new career-high score with a 15.65, while Dilworth (15.55) and Shanahan (15.05) earned season-high scores on vault.

The Huskers wrapped up the competition on parallel bars with a score of 55.50, behind Robinson's first-place finish on the event (14.60). Maras and Stefan Wallof earned career-highs with scores of 13.55 and 12.55, respectively.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Competition to be held vs. U. of Texas had to be cancelled due to weather.

AIR FORCE

Nash Mills matched the Academy's individual vault record (15.850) and paced the Falcons to a new team standard on that event (62.200), as the 14th-ranked Air Force men's gymnastics team scored a season-best score of 329.800 to place third at a quadrangular meet at the Sports Pavilion in Minneapolis, Minn., on Saturday, Jan. 30.



The Falcons improved their season score by four points to finish third in the four-team meet. Eighth-ranked Minnesota won its home meet with a score of 350.550, while No. 10 Nebraska placed second with a score of 342.400. Calgary finished fourth with a combined score of 302.050.

Mills scored a career-best 15.850 to finish third in the event standings.

Mills led three Falcons to finishes within the top 10 on the vault. Joel Uptmor placed sixth with a score of 15.700 and Menefee tied for 10th with a score of 15.600. The trio guided the Falcons to a combined score of 62.200 in that event. That score is the best ever for the Air Force vault team, surpassing the mark of 61.750 that was set last year. In fact, in just two meets this season, the Falcons have accounted for two of the top three vault scores in program history.

Mills also collected a top-10 finish on the still rings, as he scored a 14.200 to place ninth. He used additional scores of 14.200 (floor exercise), 11.550 (pommel horse), 12.800 (parallel bars) and 13.150 (high bar) to place sixth in the all-around with a combined score of 81.750.

Garrett Canter posted the Falcons' best finishes on the parallel bars and high bar. Canter placed eighth on the parallel bars with a career-best score of 13.850. He also tied for eighth on the high bar with a score of 13.450.

Uptmor was the top-scoring Falcon on the still rings, tying for fourth with a career-best score of 14.300. Dan Klimkowski collected a sixth-place finish on the pommel horse (13.300), while Chase Nobles picked up a 10th-place score of 13.050 on that event. Freshman Thomas Wilkinson paced the Falcons on the floor, scoring a total of 14.400 to place 12th. That total moved the freshman into a tie for the 15th-highest score in Academy history. Classmate Tory Brown also earned a top-10 finish, placing 10th on the high bar with a score of 13.400.