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UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma recorded its third win over a top 10 opponent and kept its undefeated streak alive in dominating fashion against No. 9 Nebraska on Saturday night in front of 723 fans at Howard McCasland Field House.

OU posted its highest team total of the season (356.500) en route to its second victory over the Huskers (335.450) in 2010.

The meet was highlighted by freshman Alex Naddour breaking the school record on pommel horse with a 15.400, a mark he previously set earlier in the year (15.200), and junior Bobby Shortle setting a career high on vault with a 16.200.

"I saw the spark in this team that I did not see in the previous meets," said head coach Mark Williams. "It really gives u a lot of energy going into the last half of the season knowing that we have a team that could go out and win a National Championship."

The Sooners swept the team portion of the meet with wins on floor (60.850), pommel horse (57.850), rings (60.250), vault (63.800), parallel bars (56.000) and high bar (56.900).

"I saw that we were better in places that we need to be and saw the energy from the team," added Williams. "The guys are putting things to together well and this gives us momentum going into No. 1 Michigan next weekend."

In addition, Oklahoma swept each of the individual events for the third time this year with five different gymnasts claiming titles, while Ian Jackson (84.250) claimed the all-around title. Steven Legendre led the Sooners



with three event victories (Floor Exercise-16.05, parallel bars-14.60 and high bar-14.45).

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Stanford gained yet another win over California on Saturday night at the Gold Country Classic. Despite resting four of its best gymnasts, the Cardinal earned a 342.70-340.85 victory over the Golden Bears.

The Cardinal were led by Eddie Penev who

had the top score from either team on both vault and in the floor exercise. Penev received a score of 15.65 on the vault and 15.45 in the floor exercise to lead both teams. The Cardi-



nal excelled in the floor exercise, gaining an advantage of almost 2.5 points in the event.

Stanford's other strong event was the pommel horse, where it again outscored Cal by over two points. Eric Hergenrader led Stanford with a score of 14.0, which also was the top score from either team.

The other Cardinal competitor to have the high score on a single apparatus was James Fosco. Fosco scored 15.0 on the rings to lead all competitors. Jordan Nolff also excelled in the event, scoring 14.65, although Cal had the better overall score.

John Martin led Stanford on the horizontal bar with a score of 14.35 as the Cardinal narrowly edged Cal in the event. Cal controlled the parallel bars, but Nicholas Noone excelled for the Cardinal with a score of 14.55.

Penev was the only Cardinal to compete in every event, scoring 84.2 in the all-around.

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

California lost the Gold Country Classic by a very slim margin to Stanford, 342.700-340.850. The meet, which was the fourth dual

meet between the Golden Bears and the Cardinal, took place Saturday night at the Robert Livermore Center.

The Bears earned team wins on still rings (57.050-56.000) and parallel bars (58.250-56.450). Kyle Bunthuwong took home the all-around title thanks to his 86.700, defeating Stanford's Eddie Penev (84.200).

Getting right to work on that all-around win, Bunthuwong took second place on floor with a 14.850. In his first collegiate outing, Swiss national team star Dennis Mannhart was Cal's second highest finisher, grabbing a 14.350.

On pommel horse, it was freshman Donothan Bailey who was the shining star for the Bears, earning a 13.600, which was good for third.

It was a complete team effort to capture the rings title for the Bears. Bunthuwong took second (14.900) while sophomore Glen Ishino was third (14.800). Also contributing high scores were Mannhart (13.800) and Steven Lacombe (13.550).

The Cardinal won vault by an incredibly slim margin - 60.850-60.600. Bunthuwong was racking up the points with a 15.500 for second while freshman Christian Monteclaro notched a 15.350 for third.

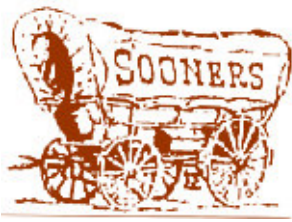
Things swung back the Bears' way on parallel bars with their 58.250-56.450 event victory. Mannhart won his first event title in a Golden Bear uniform with his 14.800 on the p-bars. Ishino was right behind him in a tie for second with a 14.550 and Bailey was fourth (14.500).

It was not as promising on the horizontal bar, where the Bears lost by .200 points. Bunthuwong confirmed his all-around supremacy with a 14.600 for first place. His score was



just one of two on the event for both teams

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that scored higher than a 14.00.

NEBRASKA UNIVERSITY

Nebraska scored a 335.450 at the McCasland Field House in Norman, Okla., against Oklahoma on Saturday night. Despite a strong effort, NU's performance wasn't quite enough to prevail over OU, which posted a team score of 356.500 for the win.

Two Huskers cracked the top-three individual event standings, including John Robinson, who earned a third-place finish on parallel bars with a 14.25. Bear Danley also earned a third-place finish on high bar with a score of 14.25.



Kyle Shanahan placed second in the all-around competition with a score of 82.35, while Hofer earned a third-place finish with a score of 80.75.

Nebraska got off to a rough start in the first rotation, pulling together an abnormally low score of 51.75 on pommel horse. David Jacobs began the night with a strong routine, posting a 13.10 on pommel horse. However, the middle of the lineup suffered several falls. Shanahan rounded out the lineup with a season-high score of 13.35.

Despite the rocky start on pommel horse, the Huskers bounced back on floor exercise in the second rotation, earning a score of 56.10. Cory Baumgarten and Michael Heredia each earned career-highs on the event, notching scores of 13.20 and 13.80, respectively.

NU saw two new competitors on floor exercise, as Josh Rusler and Daniel Brûlé tried their hands on the event for the first time this season. Rusler posted a 12.85 on the event, while Brûlé earned a 13.95. Shanahan had another strong showing in the second rotation, earning a score of 14.85.

The Huskers struggled on vault, posting its lowest score of the season with a 58.85. Baumgarten started off the lineup with a solid score of 15.10, but the Huskers were unable to stick a landing for the rest of the lineup. John Robinson earned the team's highest vault score with a 15.25.

On the still rings the Huskers tallied a season-high team mark of 57.80. Freshman Andreas Hofer earned a career-high score of 14.55, while Shanahan notched a career-high 15.00.

On high bar Nebraska notched a score of 55.55. Danley started the Huskers off on the event, tying his season-high score of 14.25 for third place. Rusler wowed his Norman, Okla., hometown crowd with his season-high score of 13.75, while Brûlé competed on high bar for the first time, earning a score of 14.20.

Nebraska finished strong on parallel bars with a score of 55.40. Stefan Wallof had an impressive showing on the apparatus, notching a career-high score of 13.40. Brûlé and Jacobs competed on the event for the first time this year, earning impressive scores of 13.70 and 13.90. Robinson earned a second-place finish with a score of 14.25, while Hofer earned a third-place finish with a 14.05.

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NATIONAL TEAM SCORES FOR THE PAST WEEK:

1.	Oklahoma	356.50
2.	Illinois	350.65
3.	Stanford	342.70
4.	Minnesota	342.15
5.	California	340.85
6.	Michigan	339.25
7.	Nebraska	335.45
8.	Temple	333.35
9.	ILL-Chicago	328.85
10.	Springfield	326.00