



# COLLEGE GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION

## MOUNTAIN PACIFIC SPORTS FEDERATION

### WEEKLY REPORT

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**NOTE:** The MPSF Conference Championship meet is promising to be one that will go down to the last competitor. Using season best scores the competition looks like this: 1. Stanford-358.80, 2. Oklahoma-358.30, 3. California-356.45.

#### UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma posted a 357.45 team score en route to a victory over No. 6 Ohio State on Saturday night inside McCasland Field House.

OU (11-0) defeated its seventh top-10 opponent on the year, as the Buckeyes posted a team score of 353.15 in the loss to the Sooners in front of 534 fans.

"I think that Ohio State put a lot of pressure on us, especially on the last two events," said head Coach Mark Williams. "I was pleased to see that our guys stepped up and got the job done."

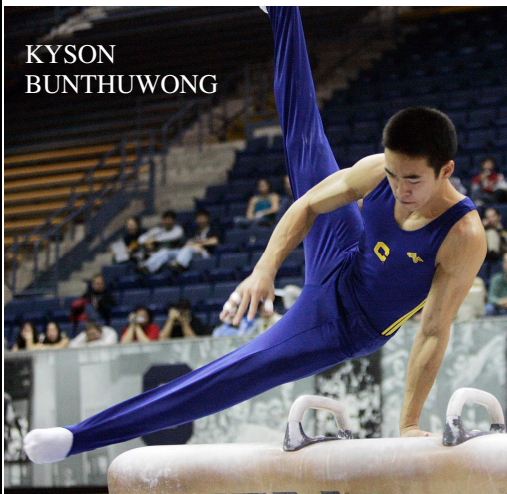
The Sooners claimed four team event titles on the night, including wins on floor (61.80), vault (63.15), parallel bars (58.85) and high bar (58.10).

Chris Brooks claimed the vault title, posting a score of 16.15, and the all-around title with an 88.70. Sophomore Steven Legendre

Czeschin posting a career-high 15.70 for the individual title.

With an injury to freshman David Finning, OU only had four gymnasts compete on vault and still scored a 63.00 to claim the event title.

#### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA



KYSON BUNTHUWONG

California squeaked out a 355.15-353.80 win over Penn State on Saturday evening at PSU's Rec Hall. The Golden Bears improve to 9-1 overall and now hold a 6-5 all-time advantage over the Nittany Lions. Cal had four team event wins and four individual event victories.

The Bears won pommel horse by just a fraction of a point, 56.95-56.50. Cal also took vault, 62.85-62.55, and rings 62.85-62.55.

Cal's best finish on floor came from freshman Daniel Culpepper, who notched a 15.15. Senior Kyson Bunthuwong was fifth on floor exercises at 14.90.

Kyson Bunthuwong was Cal's highest finisher on pommel horse with a 15.05 for second place. Bryan del Castillo was fifth (14.40) and freshman Glen Ishino was fifth (14.00).

The Bears were helped to a victory on rings thanks to performances from Evan Roth, who won the event (15.45), Kyson Bunthuwong (second, 15.00) and Glen Ishino in third place (14.80).

On vault, senior Evan Roth emerged victorious with a 15.95, good for first place. Kyson Bunthuwong was third with a 15.75 and Ishino was fifth (15.65).

Freshman Jim Kerry won the first event of his collegiate career with a 14.750 on parallel bars. Ishino was second at 14.60.

Kyle Bunthuwong took home first on high

bar at 14.95. Eric Haeussler tied for third with a 14.65 while Kyson Bunthuwong tied for fifth (14.55).

In the all-around, Kyson Bunthuwong was second (88.65) and Ishino was third (87.60).

#### UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Three Husker gymnasts combined for four event titles as Nebraska took second against Minnesota and Arizona State Sunday in front of 591 fans at the Bob Devaney Sports Center. Minnesota topped the standings with a score of 353.30, while Nebraska finished second with a season-high score of 349.40 and Arizona State placed third with a score of 325.90.

John Robinson captured both the all-around and vault standings with scores of 83.90 and 15.95, respectively. T.J. Schmidt wowed the Nebraska crowd on Senior Day with a top finish on parallel bars with a season-high score of 15.30. Anthony Ingrelli also topped the still rings standings with a season-high score of 15.00



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Nebraska opened the meet on floor exercise with a score of 58.15. The Huskers were led by freshman Josh Dilworth, who posted a score of 14.85 for third place on the event. Schmidt followed close behind with a near-season-high score of 14.80. Daniel Brûlé earned a new season-high score of 14.25, while Kyle Shanahan tied his season-high with a score of 14.25.

On pommel horse Neb. captured a season-best score of 56.30. Despite a rocky start to the lineup, Shanahan sparked a series of excellent routines with his career-high score of 14.75 for third place. Mauldin then notched a score of 13.90, his best since the first meet of the season. Schmidt also posted a season-high score of 14.70.

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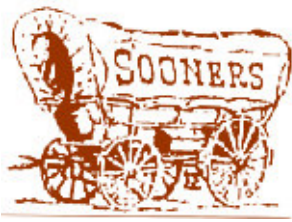


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claimed two event titles, with wins on high bar (14.8) and parallel bars (14.90).

"We need to clean things up a little bit before the championships, but I think that we did a good job," added Williams.

Oklahoma scored a season high 61.80 on floor to claim the event title with Russell



two Huskers claimed the top two event results. Ingrelli notched a season-high score of 15.00, which was good for his first event title of the 2009 season. Maras followed close behind with a score of 14.95 for second place. Robinson scored a season-high of 14.65, while Shanahan, who competed on still rings for the first time this season, tallied a score of 13.00.

In vault the Huskers captured several season-high scores, starting with Brûlé, who posted a season-high score of 15.00. Maras tied his season-high with a 15.65, while Dilworth notched a season-high of 15.90. Robinson captured his first vault title of the season with a season-high and team-best score of 15.95.

The Huskers moved to parallel bars in the fifth rotation, where they posted a score of 56.65. Schmidt stepped up for Nebraska at the end of the lineup, notching a season-high score of 15.30, which was nearly .50 points higher than his previous high score. Schmidt's efforts led him to his second parallel bars title of the season. Mauldin also earned third place with a score of 14.30. Following the fifth rotation,

NU finished the meet with a season-best score of 56.90 on high bar. Shanahan led the way for Nebraska with a season-high score of 14.75 for second place. Despite the late surge, Nebraska's score would not be enough to overcome the Gophers.

### ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY

Arizona State University's Club Team traveled to compete at the University of Nebraska against the Huskers and the Minnesota Gophers. This is the first time the Sun Devils have been back at the Bob Devany Sports Center since 1993. The Sun Devils posted their highest away team score with a 325.90 losing to Minnesota-353-30 and Nebraska-349.40.

The Sun Devils had a slow start showing some jitters as they started on Pommel Horse hitting only one routine. They quickly bounced back on the other five events posting season high event scores on both Floor and Vaulting. "This was a good meet to finish our season schedule against two really good teams," said Scott Barclay who is in his 30<sup>th</sup> year as an ASU coach and 16<sup>th</sup> year as the club team head coach. "With two weeks to prepare for our national championships, we will spend it cleaning up and being ready for the Nationals."

TOP ASU FINISHERS: ALL AROUND: Alex Gaudaur (2<sup>nd</sup>) 81.65, Charles Baysinger (3<sup>rd</sup>) 80.75; FLOOR: Alex Gaudaur (11<sup>th</sup>) 14.20, Riley Barclay (13<sup>th</sup>) 13.90; POMMEL HORSE: Steven Lewis (9<sup>th</sup>) 13.55, Riley Barclay (11<sup>th</sup>) 12.75; STILL RINGS: Brandon Diebold (9<sup>th</sup>) 13.70, Josh Bradley (10<sup>th</sup>) 13.60; VAULT: Josh Bradley (4<sup>th</sup>) 15.80, Alex Gaudaur (10<sup>th</sup>) 15.35; PARALLEL BARS: Charles Baysinger (13<sup>th</sup>) 13.10, Alex Gaudaur (14<sup>th</sup>) 12.80; HIGH BAR: Alex Gaudaur (10<sup>th</sup>) 13.8, Charles Baysinger (12<sup>th</sup>) 13.25.



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