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PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

Penn State recorded a season high score for the fifth consecutive week, downing Springfield College, 352.30-316.30, on Saturday night at Rec Hall. The Nittany Lions established season best scores in the floor exercise (58.80), still rings (60.40), and vault (63.00) to secure the victory and remain undefeated on the year.

Penn State not only won all six events as a team but also individually. Felix Aronovich led the Lions, winning at least a share of three titles. Felix placed first in the pommel horse (14.80), parallel bars (14.70), and high bar (tie, 14.50).

Parker Raque also contributed several strong performances, finishing in a tie for first in the vault (15.90), second in the floor exercise (15.00), and third in the still rings (14.90) and high bar (14.20).



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Rosenthal continued his exceptional start to the 2011 campaign, helping Penn State uphold its No. 1 national ranking in the still rings by capturing his fifth title of the season with a score of 15.60. Junior Miguel Pineda the evening's winner of the Gene Wettstone Award, placed second (15.40).

Competing for the first time at the collegiate level in the parallel bars, freshman Wasef Burbar placed second with a score of 14.300. The former Junior Olympic national champion in the high bar, tied Aronovich for the title in the event with a season high 14.50.

Warren Yang won his third floor exercise title of 2011, scoring a season high 15.10. He also took third in the parallel bars (14.10).

Redshirt freshman Francisco Vazquez had his best competition as a Nittany Lion, tying Parker Raque for first in the vault while placing third in the floor exercise (14.500).

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

In the first home meet of the 2011 regular season Ohio State posted a season-high 348.25 in dual competition against Brockport (224.30) Saturday afternoon at St. John Arena. The Buckeyes posted the best event total of the season on floor exercise (58.45), vault (62.30) and parallel bars (56.70) and claimed wins on each apparatus vs. the Golden Eagles.

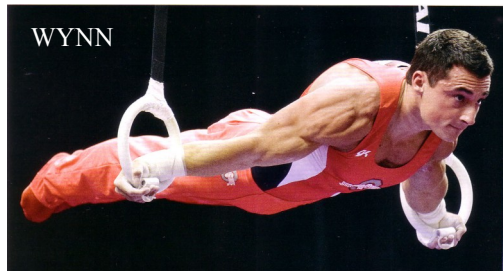
Starting on floor Ohio State swept the top six places led by freshman Jeff Treleven, who posted a season-high 14.950. Brandon Wynn came in second with a 14.800. Rounding out the team score was Blaize Monks with a season-high 14.600.

Moving onto the pommel horse Ty Echard won the event with a season-high 15.55. John Laing second with a 14.30. Finishing out the Top four for the Buckeyes were freshman Brandan Jones and redshirt freshman Michael Newburger, scoring a 13.25 and a 13.15, respectively.

Wynn, the 2010 NCAA champion on the event, led the team in the rings event with a solid 15.70. Senior Sean Regan posted a season-high 14.50 for second place. Freshman Matthew Barr also claimed a season-high score of 13.65.

The Top four Buckeyes on vault all tallied season best scores. Treleven led the way with an impressive 16.10, while Behles came in second with a 15.50. Completing the team score for the squad were Done and Uptmor with a pair of 15.35s.

On parallel bars, Wynn claimed his second event win of the afternoon with a season-high 15.20. Behles placed second overall with a



career-high 14.20 followed by Treleven who tallied a season-best 13.65 on the event.

In the final event, Monks got the crowd on its feet after performing his best high bar routine of his Buckeye career. Monks got huge air on his dismount and stuck his landing for a team-high 14.70. Wynn also had a solid performance on high bar with a 14.65, while Regan notched a 13.85 score.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

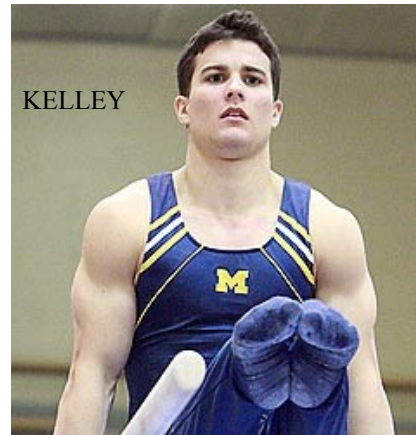
The University of Michigan upset Big Ten rival Illinois, 344.05-340.40, in their first home meet of the season on Saturday (Feb. 12) in Cliff Keen Arena.

Michigan started the competition on the floor exercise, going in Olympic order as the home team. The event was led by Ian Makowske who scored a 14.80 with a stuck triple twisting dismount and an eruption of cheers from the home crowd.

The Wolverines narrowly avoided disaster in the second rotation on pommel horse. Suffering falls by the second and third athletes, Michigan needed to hit routines from the last three competitors. Under extreme pressure Adam Hamers nailed his routine, scoring a 14.55. Riding the momentum from Hamers' performance, Michigan's final competitor, freshman Sam Mikulak dominated his set, bringing his teammates to their feet scoring an all-time high 14.75 to lead the Wolverines on the PH. After two rotations, the Wolverines narrowly led the Illini by three tenths of a point.

Moving to the third rotation on still rings, Michigan had six hit routines. Andrew Vance competed an upgraded routine with an Azarian to maltese strength move rated as an F difficulty and one of the most difficult strength moves on rings. Thomas Kelley anchored the event with the top score for U-M (14.80).

The fourth rotation had Michigan on vault. Again the Wolverines nailed six-for-six routines, putting up the highest event score of the season for the team. Mikulak highlighted the rotation with a nearly flawless two-and-a-half twisting vault, scoring a 15.80. After four rotations, Michigan widened its lead to 2.60 points.



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Starting strong first up, freshman Michael Myler hit a PB routine of 13.70. The next three competitors experienced difficulty, putting up missed routines. With a still narrow lead at stake, the final two Wolverines salvaged the rotation with hit routines. Final competitor, Syque Caesar, scored an all-time best 15.10 to lead the Wolverines in the event.

Michigan came to the high bar in the final rotation, never looking back. After four hit routines, the Wolverines were on their feet cheering for the final two competitors. Kelley performed an outstanding routine to lead the Wolverines, scoring a 14.90.

Michigan was without the services of Chris Cameron.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

Illinois came up short Saturday afternoon at Michigan, as the Wolverines came away with a 344.05-340.40 victory to give Illinois its first loss of the season.

The Illini competed without senior Paul Ruggeri, who is out for the remainder of the season with an ankle injury, and also rested several Winter Cup competitors on various events.

Dan Ribeiro was consistent once again on pommel horse and earned the Illini's lone event title of the meet with a score of 15.90.

Jordan Valdez and Rogers were the only two all-around competitors on the day, with Valdez taking the top spot with a score of 83.85 and Rogers added a 79.70. Valdez finished second on parallel bars with a career-high score of 14.65, third on floor (14.40) and tied for fifth on high bar (13.80), while Rogers took fifth on parallel bars with a career-best score of 13.80.

Anthony Sacramento led the Illini on rings with a second-place finish (14.70), while Varga tallied his first-career top-three finish, as he tied for third on vault (15.55) with Chad Wiest.

Additional top-four finishes were recorded by Austin Phil-



VALDEZ

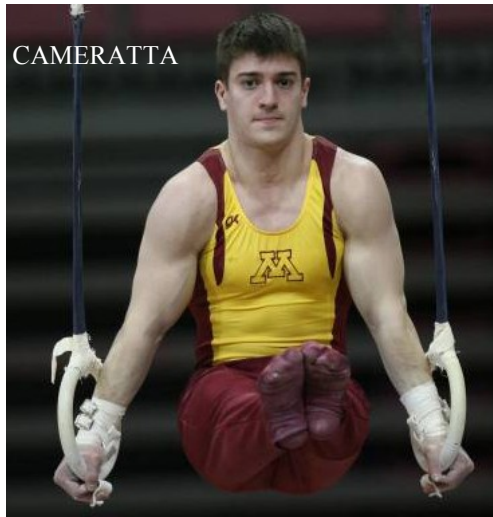
lips and Yoshi Mori, who tied for fourth on floor (14.20), while Mori also placed fourth on pommel horse (13.95). On parallel bars, Wiest (13.95) and Ribeiro (13.90) finished third and fourth, respectively, and Tyler Mizoguchi led the team with a third-place finish on high bar (13.95).

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The University of Minnesota took down the Hawkeyes of Iowa by a score of 336.50 to 330.10 on Friday at Iowa.

While the Gophers had to deal with a few injuries, including Harris Coleman having to be pulled from the floor exercise.

The individual highlight performance of the night came courtesy of freshman Adam Kern who put up a season-best score of 15.60 on the vault. Fellow freshman Justin "Yoshi" Morinishi did a good job in place of Coleman on the floor exercise as he posted a score of 13.60. Harris was still able to compete on the pommel horse and posted a solid score of 14.50.



CAMERATTA

One of the unsung heroes of the night was junior Ross Cameratta who was able to put up a score of 14.00 on both the rings and parallel bar, as well as a score of 13.40 on the high bar and 13.30 on the pommel horse.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

The University of Iowa came up short in conference action, falling to Minnesota. The Hawkeyes were defeated by the Golden Gophers 336.50-330.10 Friday at the UI Field House.

"We're disappointed," said Coach J.D. Reive, "and ready to get back into the gym and get on the right track."

Mike Jiang provided a bright spot for Iowa,

placing in the top-two on two different events. The returning All-American scored a 14.10 to place first on horizontal bar. The 14.10 score tied for his season-high score on the event. Jiang also finished runner-up on pommel horse with a 13.70.



JIANG

John Haines earned his highest placing of the season on floor exercise, scoring a 14.20 to place second and lead Iowa on the event. Alberhasky scored a 13.70 (5th).

Anton Gryshayev placed third on pommel horse right behind Jiang, scoring a 13.60 on the event. Ben Ketelsen, who is ranked 17th nationally on the event, scored a 13.30.

Matt McGrath and Anton Gryshayev both tied on top of the leaderboard on rings, as they scored 14.70 to best the next best finisher by a full seven tenths.

Alberhasky set a personal season best on vault with a 15.30 score to lead Iowa with a third place finish, tying with McGrath.

Javier Balboa scored a personal best 14.20 on parallel bars to place second, while redshirt freshman Jack McClay tallied a 14.00 to finish fourth.

National Best team scores this past week.

University of Oklahoma	360.60
Penn State University	352.30
University of Nebraska	349.70
Ohio State University	348.25
University of Michigan	344.05
University of California	343.30
University of Illinois	340.40
Stanford University	339.70
University of Minnesota	336.50
Illinois-Chicago	332.50
William and Mary	331.30
University of Iowa	330.10
Navy	324.10
Army	322.80
Springfield	316.30
Brockport	273.30*

*Club team.