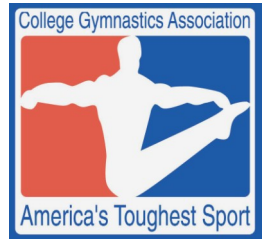




COLLEGE GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION
BIG TEN CONFERENCE
CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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ILLINOIS WINS ITS
THIRD
CONSECUTIVE
BIG TEN MEN'S
GYMNASTICS
CHAMPIONSHIPS!

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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The Fighting Illini claimed its third straight Big Ten title in front of its home crowd Friday night at Huff Hall. Illinois is the first school to win three consecutive titles since Ohio State, which accomplished the feat from 2005-07. The Big Ten Championship is the 26th in Illinois history, the most among any Big Ten school.

Michigan took second place (352.750), followed by Ohio State (350.000), Penn State (349.000), Minnesota (344.400) and Iowa (339.300). Tyler Mizoguchi represented the Illini in the all-around, finishing in third place with a score of 85.700. Additionally, nine different Illini advanced to Saturday night's event finals by finishing in the top-10 plus ties, with at least one Illini qualifying on each event.

"There was an unbelievable fight tonight from the whole team," head coach Justin Spring said. "The team was in the zone all day and then with a pressure situation at the



end in a risky event, the high bar, came up with releases. We started the first two routines with misses and I have to give props to them. They got up and finished in an amazing way. We jumped out to a good start and finished without our best high bar routine, but it was enough and that's what I expected."

The Illini began the night on floor, where Chad Wiest (15.500) and Mizoguchi (15.250) finished in first and second place, respectively. Next on pommel horse, the Illini earned their second-highest team score of the season with a 59.250, led by Daniel Ribeiro who placed first with a score of 15.850. Yoshi Mori took third with a score of 14.750, while C.J. Padera tied for fifth place with a 14.400, and Mizoguchi finished in ninth (14.250).

In the third rotation on rings, Illinois matched its season-best score of 59.250 and were paced by Anthony Sacramento, who finished in fourth place with a score of 15.250. Kyle Moe also placed in the top-10, as he tied for ninth with a career-high score of 14.800. On vault, Mizoguchi led the way with the second-best mark in school history under the FIG open-ended code, as he recorded a career-high score of 16.300 to secure a second-place finish on the event.

Illinois maintained its lead over the final two rotations, led by Padera, who placed second on parallel bars (14.900), while Jordan Valdez, who matched his career-high with a 14.650 to take fourth place. In the final event of the night on high bar, the Illini remained strong despite some setbacks. Austin Phillips tied for second place with a score of 15.050 and Valdez just missed his career best with a 14.800 to place fifth.

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UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Michigan freshman Sam Mikulak became the third freshman ever to win the Big Ten conference all-around crown, as team placed runner-up at the Big Ten Championships on Friday (April 1) at Huff Hall.

The Wolverines began the competition starting on the parallel bars. Rohan Sebastian started the team off strong with a clean hit routine, scoring 14.10.



The next two competitors suffered missed routines, putting pressure on the final three to make their sets. Fourth up, Mikulak changed the tide, sticking his double pike dismount to score a 14.80. Thomas Kelley displayed a dynamic routine, starting with a very difficult peach-half; unfortunately, he was short on his double pike dismount but still put up a counting score of 14.20. Syque Caesar put the team back on track, posting a 15.40.

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Michigan moved to the high bar for the second rotation. Coming back from a three-meet hiatus due to a wrist injury, Devan Cote had a solid hit routine, scoring 13.95. Following a missed routine, Ian Makowske showed a great routine with a flawless three-skill release combination to score a 15.20. Mikulak came next to tie his season best (14.90), bringing Michigan fans to their feet after he nailed a connected layed out tkachev to a piked tkachev. With another missed routine, pressure came on last up Kelley, ranked second in the nation on the event, to score big; however, he suffered two falls.

On floor exercise Mikulak, in contention for the all-around title, put his hand down on his second pass, a back twisting one-and-a-half to a punch double-full. Across the gym on rings, Mikulak's biggest competitor, Illinois' Tyler Mizoguchi, fell on his dismount. Fifth up, Sebastian posted the top score on floor for the team with a 14.60.

On the pommel horse freshman A.J. Schottstaedt tallied a 13.95. Fourth up, Mikulak scored a 14.40. Adam Hamers swung a flawless routine with perfectly squared circles to score a career-high 15.50, bringing teammates to their feet cheering.

On still rings, with only two other competitions under his belt, freshman Matt Freeman led the event off for the team, sticking his front double pike dismount to score a season-high 14.55. Freshman Alex Bubnov scored a season-best 14.60. Andrew Vance continued the trend, posting a career-best 15.20 with a strength filled routine, including an incredibly difficult Azarian to Maltese. Next up, Mikulak posted a career-high 14.80. Last up, Kelley posted a strong 15.00 to lead the Wolverines to their highest rings score of the season, 59.65.

In the final rotation on vault, the highest-scoring event, Michigan hit six-for-six, with Steve Crabtree scoring 15.65. Last up, Mikulak, competing his extremely difficult triple twisting vault, over rotated, taking a few steps back to score a 15.85. The Wolverines vaulted into second place following the rotation.

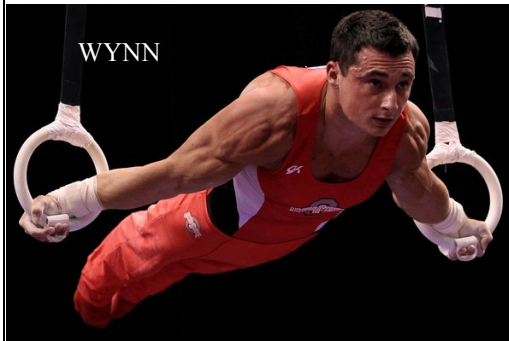
OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

With an exciting crowd on hand at Huff Hall on the campus of the University of Illinois, Ohio State finished in third place with 350.000 points at the 2011 Big Ten Championships.

Highlighting the evening for the Buckeyes was freshman Kris Done, who finished se-

cond in the all-around, tallying a season-high 86.600 to earn his first career Big Ten medal. En route to his silver medal, Done tied for second on high bar (15.050), tied for fifth on parallel bars (14.550) and sixth on vault (16.000).

Wynn, the reigning Big Ten and NCAA rings champion, continued where he left off last season at the championships by placing first overall with a season-high 16.150. He has now won 18-consecutive rings titles (24 overall).



On pommel horse Echard led with a 14.650 for fourth place overall. Earning a 14.150, John Laing tied for tenth to earn a spot in his first event final.

Ohio State moved to rings with Wynn leading the charge on the event, Mike Behles was second on the team and seventh overall, tallying a 14.950.

The Scarlet and Gray excelled on vault with five Buckeyes surpassing or tying season or career highs en route to a program record on the event as the squad notched a team score of 63.850. Treleven and Behles notched 16.150 scores to tie for first for the Buckeyes and third overall. Behles notched his career-best mark on vault. Done improved his career-best with a 16.000. Regan followed with a career-high 15.550, while Blaize Monks scored a season-high 15.300. Wynn also competed on vault for the Scarlet and Gray and had a season-high 15.100.

On parallel bars Done led the team with his season high score of 14.550 to tie for fifth overall, while Treleven notched a season-high 14.100 for second on the team and tie for 13th overall - .450 better than his previous high.

Moving on to high bar, Done once again guided Ohio State with a team-high 15.050 (t-second overall) to help the squad post a season-high 57.250. In second place for the Buckeyes was Wynn, who tied his career best on the event with a 14.750 mark. Monks fin-

ished in third for Ohio State with a 14.650.

On floor exercise Treleven led the team with a 14.700 to tie for sixth overall followed by Done, who notched a 14.300.

Advancing to the event finals were: Done-V, PB and HB, Wynn-SR and HB, Echard-PH, Behles-SR and V, Laing-PH, Monks-HB and Treleven-FX and V.

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

Penn State was in the hunt for the Big Ten conference crown heading into the final rotation of the team finals of Friday night's 2011 Big Ten Championships but faltered in its final event, the pommel horse, and slid to fourth place. The Nittany Lions finished with a team total of 349.000.

The Nittany Lions sat in second place with just one rotation remaining but a season low score of 52.100 in the pommel horse, an event that has been their nemesis in recent years, ended their title hopes.

Penn State upheld its status as the No. 2 team in the nation in the still rings, as the Lions topped the field by posting their third highest score of the season. Miguel Pineda set a career high in the event, scoring a 15.600, to place second. Scott Rosenthal finished in third with a score of 15.400.

Mackenzie Dow headlined the Penn State line-up in the vault, recording the team's highest score in the event this season and an individual career best (16.050) to place fifth.

Warren Yang (15.200) and Parker Raque (14.800) led PSU in the floor exercise, finishing third and fourth, respectively.

Felix Aronovich was Penn State's lone all-around competitor, finishing seventh with a score of 84.400.



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UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The University of Minnesota took fifth at the Big Ten team championship competition on Friday night.

The Gophers scored a total score of 344.4, finishing behind Illinois (355.5), Michigan (352.75), Ohio State (350.0) and Penn State (349.0), but ahead of Iowa (339.3).

Minnesota had a couple of top performers, including Zack Chase, who tied a season-high team score with 16.4 on the vault, while DJ Repp returned to the all-around scoring a total of 84.45 points.



(NOTE: Chase ended up placing first on vault in the event finals!)

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

The University of Iowa placed sixth in the team competition of the Big Ten Championships on Friday Night in Champaign, Ill. The tenth-ranked Hawkeyes finished with a team score of 339.300, and pushed two gymnasts through to the individual event finals on Saturday.

Two Hawkeye gymnasts that have paced the team all season long moved on for Iowa against tough competition, as Mike Jiang and Matt McGrath will compete Saturday for a chance to earn all-Big Ten honors.

McGrath advanced for Iowa with the team's highest finish of the night, placing fifth on floor exercise. McGrath's routine scored a 14.750. After breaking the school record on floor exercise earlier this season with a 15.500, a score that would have been good enough to tie for first Friday.

Jiang moved on to compete Saturday with



an eighth place finish on pommel horse after his routine netted him a score of 14.300. Jiang is no stranger to post-season success on the event after earned All-American honors last season on pommel horse with a seventh place finish nationally.

Javier Balboa and Broderick Shemansky added 12th place finishes; Balboa placed 12th on parallel bars with a 14.150 to lead Iowa on the event. McGrath wasn't far behind, placing 13th with a 14.100.

Shemansky's 12th place finish came on horizontal bar, an event Shemansky has grown into a team leader on. Shemansky scored a 14.000.

Zach Cazabon also placed 15th on pommel horse with a season best score of 13.850. Freshman Samuel Wright also added an 18th place finish on horizontal bar with a score of 13.800. Anton Gryshayev placed 18th on pommel horse with a score of 13.700.

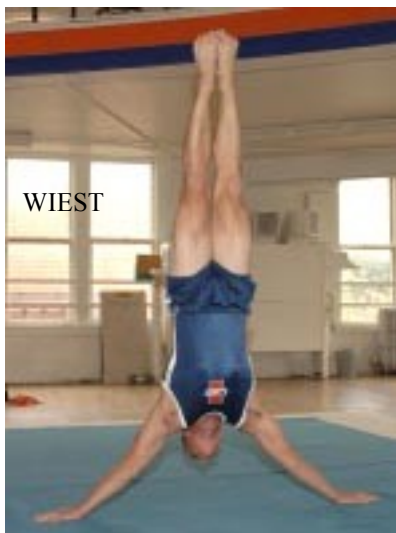


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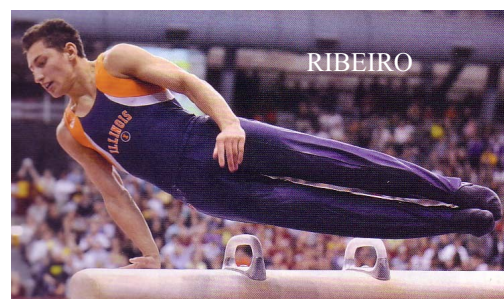
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MIKULAK



WIEST



RIBEIRO

1. University of Illinois	355.550
2. Michigan	352.750
3. Ohio State	350.000
4. Penn State	349.000
5. Minnesota	344.400
6. Iowa	339.300

ALL AROUND

1 Sam Mikulak MICH	89.050
2 Kris Done OSU	86.600
3 Tyler Mizoguchi ILL	85.700
4 Rohan Sebastian MICH	85.000
5 Thomas Kelley MICH	84.850
6 DJ Repp MINN	84.450
7 Felix Aronovich PSU	84.400

FLOOR EXERCISE

1 Chad Wiest Illinois	15.400
2 Jeff Treleaven Ohio State	14.950
3 Warren Yang Penn State	14.850
4 Alex Varga Illinois	14.650
5 Parker Raque Penn State	14.600
6 Tyler Mizoguchi Illinois	14.350
7 Matt McGrath Iowa	14.300
8 Matt Chelberg Penn State	13.950

POMMEL HORSE

1 Daniel Ribeiro Illinois	15.900
2 Ty Echard Ohio State	15.450
3 Adam Hamers Michigan	14.100
4 C.J. Padera Illinois	14.050
5 Yoshi Mori Illinois	14.000
6 Tyler Mizoguchi Illinois	13.950
7 Adrian Evans Penn State	13.850
8 John Laing Ohio State	13.750
9 Mike Jiang Iowa	12.950

STILL RINGS

1 Brandon Wynn Ohio State	16.100
2 Scott Rosenthal Penn State	15.850
3 Miguel Pineda Penn State	15.600
4 Thomas Kelley Michigan	15.300
5 Anthony Sacramento Illinois	15.200
6 Mike Behles Ohio State	15.050
7 Felix Aronovich Penn State	15.000
7 Andrew Vance Michigan	15.000
9 Matt Chelberg Penn State	14.700

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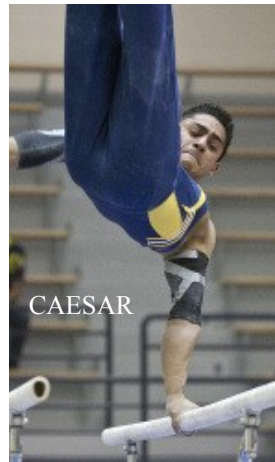
1 Zach Chase Minnesota	16.250
1 Mike Behles Ohio State	16.250
3 Sam Mikulak Michigan	16.200
3 Jeff Treleaven Ohio State	16.200
5 Tyler Mizoguchi Illinois	16.150
6 Mackenzie Dow Penn State	15.700
6 Rohan Sebastian Michigan	15.700
8 Kris Done Ohio State	15.450

PARALLEL BARS

1 Syque Caesar Michigan	15.250
2 Russell Dabritz Minnesota	14.900
3 C.J. Padera Illinois	14.650
4 Miguel Pineda Penn State	14.600
4 Sam Mikulak Michigan	14.600
6 Thomas Kelley Michigan	14.250
7 Wasef Burbar Penn State	13.950
8 Felix Aronovich Penn State	13.750



WYNN



CAESAR



CHASE



MAKOWSKE

HORIZONTAL BAR

1 Ian Makowske Michigan	15.500
2 Kris Done Ohio State	14.800
3 Jordan Valdez Illinois	14.450
4 Brandon Wynn Ohio State	14.300
5 Mackenzie Dow Penn State	14.000
6 Sam Mikulak Michigan	13.950
7 Austin Phillips Illinois	13.300
8 Blaize Monks Ohio State	13.050