



COLLEGE GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION BIG TEN CONFERENCE CGA Weekly Report

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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

The Illinois men and women's gymnastics teams debuted their skills at the annual Mixed Pairs Exhibition Sunday afternoon at Huff Hall.

Members of the Illinois baseball, football, women's golf, men's and women's track, men's and women's tennis and swimming and diving teams were on hand as celebrity judges to evaluate both the men and women using the women's 10-point scoring system in order to add scores systematically to determine the winning group.

Student Assistant Coach Dan Ribeiro also judged all routines according to NCAA rules and submitted the following:

"Floor went very well. Three athletes scored above a 14.0. Alex Varga finished in 3rd place with a 14.2 from a 16.50. He hit a beautiful routine before sitting down on his dismount. 2nd place was transfer student Vince Smurro. He scored a 14.5 from a 15.90. He mounted with a double full + Barany and then followed with a Randi with a very small hop. The floor champions was Yoshi Mori who scored a 14.8 from a 16.20. He highlighted a huge double double with a tiny hop as well as a Randi with a small step.

Pommel Horse was a little bit rough as we did not compete everyone on every event. Pommel Horse was highlighted by CJ Padera's 14.1 from a 16.20. He finished in 1st place on the event.

Still Rings will be one of our strongest events and we are in a very good place for this point in the season. Although Andrew Margolis hit a very solid routine for a 14.3 he was not able to break into the top



three. Mike Wilner edged him out by .1, scoring a 14.40. Second place was Anthony Sacramento who is recovering from meniscus surgery. With a watered down dismount he was still able to manage a 14.6 from a 16.10. The Still Rings champion was Cameron Rogers who has come a long way on the event, upgrading his dismount from a full-in to a double double. He scored a 14.9 to take the crown on rings.

We did not compete vault at this meet.

Parallel Bars is our strongest and deepest event this year. We have upgraded substantially so there were a few mistakes but it was a good experience to put some pressure on the guys. Coming in 3rd place was Yoshi Mori. He has upgraded his routine from a 15.4 to a 16.10. Although he uncharacteristically sat down on his Tipelt, the rest of his routine was nearly flawless and he pulled out 3rd place with a 13.90. Just edging out Yoshi was Austin Phillips who scored a 14.0 for second place. Although there were some shaky parts, Austin was able to recover from all mistakes and hit his routine. The PBar champion was CJ Padera who won his second event of the day. CJ impressed us very much as he is recovering from post season labrum surgery. CJ hit his routine and scored a 14.40.

High Bar went a little rough. We only had 3 athletes compete on the event. Although suffering a fall his straddle delchev half, Austin Phillips was able to recover very well and pull out the victory with a 13.9."

"Overall, the guys had fun," men's head coach Justin Spring said. "They did their full routines for the most part and did them well. Obviously, we've got some work to do, but overall, it was a good showing for us. I think it was a little bit of an eye opener. It's the first time the guys were able to go out and hit their routines in front of crowd, so it's an indication of who's ready."

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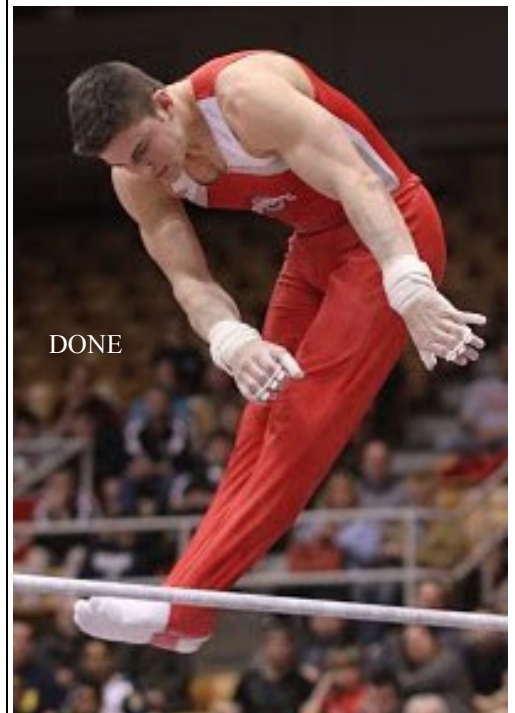
The Ohio State University held its annual Scarlet and Gray Intrasquad Sunday Dec. 4 at Steelwood Athletic Training Facility. The Gray squad won 257.200-255.400 against Scarlet with the Top 3 scores on each event counted in the final results. The unofficial NCAA team score was 346.40.

The Scarlet squad started on floor exercise and was led by sophomore Jeff Treleven, who notched a 14.40, while sophomore Kris Done scored a 14.20; their group collected a 42.60. Junior John Laing led the Gray on

pommel horse with a meet-high 14.10 followed by freshman Alex Nork with a 13.80 and Michael Newburger with a 13.20 for a 41.10 team total.

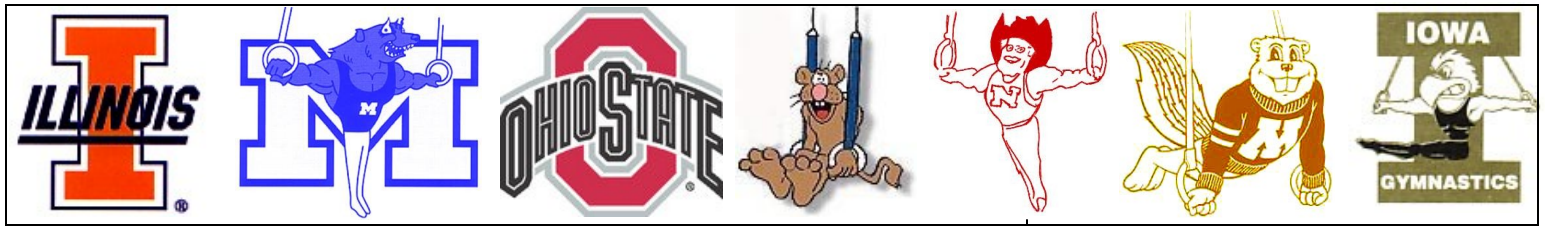
Gray collected a 43.90 on floor exercise guided by sophomore Misha Koudinov with a 14.90. Junior captain Blaize Monks had a 14.70 on the event. Done led the Scarlet on pommel horse with a 13.80 for a total of 41.20. After two rotations Gray led Scarlet, 85.00-83.80.

The Gray extended its lead following the third rotation with a 44.00 team total on vault - sweeping the Top 3 scores. Highlighting the event for the Gray was freshman Larry Mayer who scored a meet-high 14.800, while classmate Andrew Teal posted a 14.70. Freshman Bobby DiRigeris and senior Phil Onorato tied for third place with 14.60 performances.



Senior Mike Behles won the rings event after earning a meet-high 15.20 to help the Scarlet to a 42.300, while Gray was led by Teal, who had a squad-best 14.50. On the fifth rotation, Monks hit his performance to claim a 15.3 on high bar, while Koudinov followed for the Gray with a 14.90 mark to lead the squad to a 44.40 team score.

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Gray competed on parallel bars and was led by Behles, who posted a 14.50. The Gray rounded out the meet on parallel bars and collected a 41.50 which included a 14.40 routine by Koudinov. Done wrapped up the day with the highest marks of the afternoon with a 15.70 score on high bar.

Done claimed the all-around title with an 85.000, while Koudinov finished in second place with an 83.800.

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The University of Iowa held their annual pre-season Gold and Black intrasquad meet Dec. 4 with the Gold team winning 473.60 to 460.65.



No individual scores were available...

"We had a good meet. We expected there to be some misses here and some falls here, but this is a learning process and it's early in the season," said men's head coach J.D. Reive. "It was good to get our guys in front of a crowd and judges to see where we are at. We have work to do, but we have time to do it."