



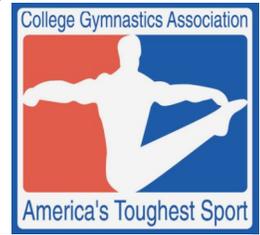
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BIG TEN & ECAC CONFERENCE

Men's Weekly Reports

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TOP TEAM SCORES THIS WEEK

Oklahoma	456.40	Wm/Mary	412.30
Stanford	442.00	Ill.-Chicago	409.65
Illinois	441.30	Springfield	407.80
Michigan	439.60	Arizona St.	407.55
Iowa	435.40		
Penn St.	434.50		
Minnesota	433.60		
Nebraska	420.25		
Army	421.60		
Navy	414.55		

BIG TEN CONFERENCE

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS

In the meet between two of the best teams in the country, third ranked Illinois never trailed #2 Penn State and went on to win by a 441.300-434.500 decision. Despite C.J. Maestas missing the meet due to illness, the Illini still posted a school record team score and moved to a perfect 10-0 mark.

Logan Bradley secured his first event title of the season when he turned in a 15.000 on the pommel horse. Fred Hartville grabbed the vault title in his second meet back with a mark of 15.150. Jordan Valdez claimed the title on parallel bars and Bobby Baker picked up another all-around title. Joey Peters shared the top spot on high bar with Penn State's Matt Felleman.

Baker (15.300) finished second in the floor exercise event.

Next, on pommel horse Illinois claimed the top four spots on the event with Bradley leading the pack followed by Matt Foster (14.900), Baker (14.800) and Brandon Ngai (14.450).

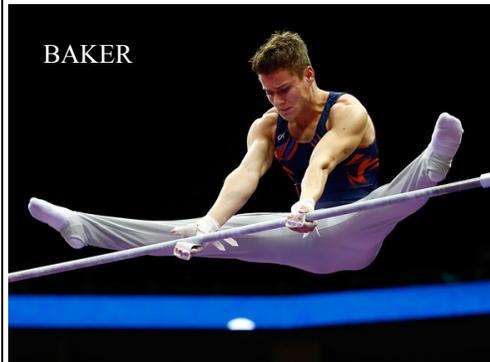
Peters turned in the best rings routine for the Illini with a score of 15.500, good for third place. Dennis Minton recorded a personal best mark of 14.700 in the event.

Hartville lead Illinois on vault as he claimed his first event title of the season. Baker finished in a tie for third with a 14.800 performance.

On the parallel bars Valdez notched the title with a 15.300 outing followed by Baker at 15.100 and Peters scored a 15.000. Gibbs

turned in a career-high 14.650 to claim fifth place.

Peters turned in a 15.000 to grab a share of the event title on high bar. Valdez notched a 14.800 for third place while Baker posted a career-best 14.500 for fourth.



BAKER

Baker turned in a career-high 89.550 all-around mark to take the title. The freshman registered three personal-bests on the day.

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

The University of Michigan scored a season-best 439.600 and set season highs on floor, rings and vault in a 456.200-439.600 defeat at No. 1 Oklahoma on Saturday (Feb. 14) at OU's McCasland Fieldhouse. Nick Hunter won parallel bars with a 15.20 for the lone Wolverine individual title.



HUNTER

Michigan began the night on pommel horse, where senior Dylan James scored a 15.15, while Hunter notched a 15.10.

On floor in the second rotation, three Wolverines scored 15.05s in Hub Humphrey, Anthony Stefanelli and Stacey Ervin.

U-M then hit a season best of 74.90 on vault and 73.35 on still rings. Ervin took second on the table with a 15.45, while Paul Rizkalla Jr. scored a 15.40 for a 2-3 finish for the Wolverines.

The Maize and Blue then scored a 72.40 on high bar, before Hunter closed out the night with the 15.20 on parallel bars for the fourth

event win of his Wolverine career.

UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

The University of Iowa (435.400) recorded six career-highs and set a new season high for team score as the Hawkeyes came from behind to defeat No. 10 Minnesota (433.600) and No. 11 Nebraska (420.250) on Valentine's Day.

William Albert finished with a 14.700, clinching third place in the vault event. Dylan Ellsworth tied for fourth with a 14.550 effort and Brandon Field placed sixth following a score of 14.500.

Matt Loochtan started off the Hawkeyes on parallel bars scoring a 14.800, tying him for second overall and setting a career-high. Jack Boyle followed him up with a 14.800. Ellsworth set a career-high with a score of 14.500, good enough to tie for sixth and Cory Paterson set a career-high with a 14.400 effort.

Andrew Botto started the rings event and set a new career-high, tying for second place with a 14.050. Boyle won the event with a score of 15.200 and Loochtan finished sev-



BOYLE

enth with a score of 14.850.

Lance Alberhasky (14.650) and Cory Paterson (14.300) both matched their best scores of their career and placed 11th and 15th, respectively in the floor exercise event.

Doug Sullivan was dethroned on the pommel horse. Despite his 15.150, Minnesota's Ellis Mannon took the event title with a 15.200. Elijah Parsells finished third with the best score of his career (14.750). Austin Hodges scored a 14.300, clinching fifth place.

Paterson set a new career-high on high bar, scoring a 14.900 and tying for first place on the event. Boyle followed in third with a 14.550 and Alberhasky tied for fifth (14.400). It wasn't until Cyrus Dobre-Mofid (13.000)



clinched the victory for the Hawkeyes on the second to last routine.

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

Penn State fell to Illinois Saturday, 441.300-434.500.

Penn State opened up the competition on the pommel horse. Alexis Torres and Leroy Clarke, Jr. led the way for Penn State on the pommel horse. Torres tied for fourth with his score of 14.450 and Clarke took sixth with his score of 14.300.

In the floor exercise, Thad Lawson won his second floor exercise title of the year with his career-best score of 15.350. Also in the floor exercise, Dominic DiFulvio and Trevor Howard tied for third with their scores of 15.050.

Torres led the way for Penn State on the vault. He finished second with his score of 14.950. Howard tied for third with his score of 14.800 and Matthew Felleman posted a score of 14.750 to finish fifth.

The Nittany Lions secured the top two spots in the rings event. Torres finished first with his score of 15.700 followed by Howard in



second (15.650). Clarke posted a score of 15.100 in the vault to finish fourth.

In the parallel bars, Howard finished third (15.000) and in the high bar, Felleman tied for first with his score of 15.000.

Howard also competed in the all-around for Penn State and he posted a score of 87.450.

UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA

The University of Minnesota earned their highest score of the 2015 season and a second place finish against Iowa and Nebraska on Saturday evening in Iowa City, Iowa. Minnesota's 433.600 was bested by host Iowa who tallied a strong 435.400 while Nebraska finished with a final score of 420.250.

Zach Liebler tied for first place overall on the floor exercise event with senior Sean Bauer as each scored a 15.000.

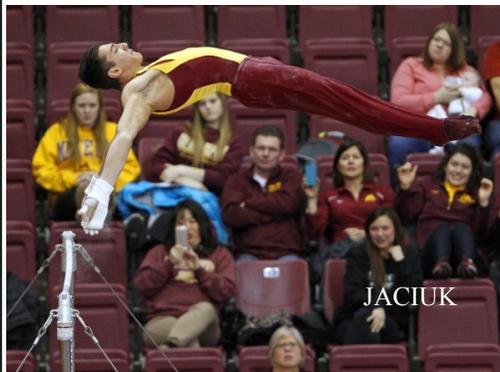
Ellis Mannon recorded a 15.200 on the pommel horse to win the event. Paul Montague Jr. scored a 14.500, good enough for fourth place on the event.

Montague and freshman Mitchell Soukup each recorded a 15.050 on still rings to earn second place on the event. Steve Jaciuk and Jack Metcalf both scored 15.000 to round out the Top 5.

Bauer earned his second event title on the night when he posted a score of 14.850 on vault.

Jaciuk won the parallel bars event as he scored a 15.15. Freshman Tristan Duran broke into the top five as he landed in a tie for fourth after posting a solid 14.700.

Jaciuk would earn the Gophers fifth individual event title of the meet and his second on the night as he earned a 14.900 on the high bar. Danny DiBenedetto and Joel Gagnon



rounded out the top five scoring a 14.450 and 14.400 respectively.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA

Nebraska grappled lingering injuries and small mistakes to earn third with a 420.250 against Iowa (435.40) and Minnesota (433.60) in Iowa City, Iowa.

Leal led the way on rings with his 14.20 mark. Redshirt freshman Brenon Sommers added a personal best score of his own, notching a 14.05. Freshman Alex Magsam was close behind with a 13.95, while Coleman Tokar chipped in a 13.60.

Chris Stephenson tumbled to a 14.95 to help



the Huskers to its impressive floor exercise event total. Freshman Kyle King put up a 14.85 in his meet debut, followed closely behind by Travis Gollott's 14.80. Austin Epper-

son finished out the stellar floor rotation with a 14.75.

Leading the way for the Big Red on pommel horse was Ethan Lottman, who earned a 13.75 despite his fall.

NU started out the second half of the meet on high bar powered by a pair of 14.05 scores from Gollott and Epperson.

King set the tone on the vault event, earning a 14.85 for his effort. Leal notched a 14.55 to keep the pace, while Gollott contributed a 14.45 for his near-stuck vault. Louis Klein finished things up with a 14.40.

NU concluded the meet on parallel bars paced by a 14.70 from Leal. Gollott and Stephenson added matching career-highs of 14.50. Junior All-American Sam Chamberlain battled injury throughout the week, but pushed through the pain to grab a 14.30.

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ARMY

Army captured a Star Meet victory over service academy rival Navy, defeating the Midshipmen by a score of 421.600-414.550.

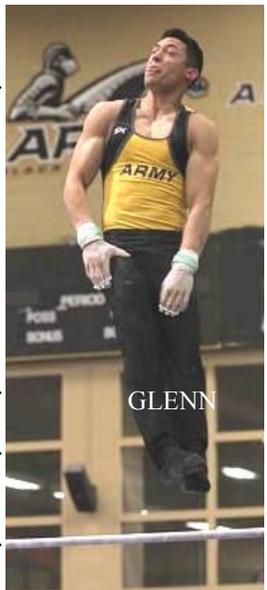
Jesse Glenn captured the all-around title with a season-best mark of 86.800, besting Navy's Jonathan Tang (83.550) and Noah Beeman (79.400).

Sam Kusnitz got things started with a season-best mark of 15.000 on floor exercise to take the top spot. He was followed by Glenn in second (14.900).

Also competing on floor for the Black Knights was Leo Genders (14.200) and Nathan Goff (14.000).

Army took three of the top five spots on pommel horse, led by a first place mark of 14.500 and career-best from Goff. Glenn and Connor Venrick tied for second with scores of 14.450 and Cannon earned fifth with a mark of 14.050.

On vault Kusnitz posted a 14.850 to claim second. Glenn took third with a mark of 14.800 and Genders earned fifth with a score of 14.550. Canon tied for eighth with a score of 14.000.



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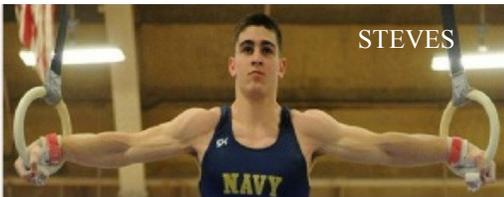
Glenn took first on parallel bars with a score of 14.150 and was followed by Short in second with a score of 14.100. Goff tied for fourth with a score of 13.850 and was followed by Kusnitz in sixth (13.750).

Glenn captured his second individual title of the afternoon with a score of 14.500 on high bar. He was followed by Kusnitz's mark of 14.400 in second place.

NAVY

In the annual Star Meet between Army and Navy the host Black Knights defeated the Midshipmen by a score of 421.6 to 414.55 on Saturday.

Joshua Steves and Mitchell Larios led Navy's effort on Saturday with first place finishes in the rings and vault, respectively. Steves won the rings event with a score of 14.7, 0.5 points ahead of his nearest competitor, while



Larios held off a tight group of vault challengers with a season-high 15.0 result.

In the all-around competition, Tang finished his six-event day with a 83.55-point total, while Beeman racked up 79.4 points. Tang finished amongst the top-five on the floor exercise (3rd-14.45), high bar (4th-13.9) and parallel bars (5th-13.85). Beeman notched top-five results on the high bar (3rd-14.15) and floor exercise (5th-14.25).

Larios equaled Tang's strong output of three top-five finishes as he went first on the vault, third on the parallel bars (14.0) and fourth on the floor exercise (14.35).

Led by Steves' 14.7 score, the Mids had three gymnasts finish in the top-five on the rings. Steves was followed directly by teammate Thomas Goodell who recorded a 14.2 score to finish second. Eric Viscardi was the third Navy athlete to rank highly on the apparatus as he tied for fourth with a score of 13.9.

Viscardi would later finish fourth on the vault with a 14.55 result.

Eric Morrison was Navy's high scorer on the pommel horse as he finished fourth with a result of 14.35.

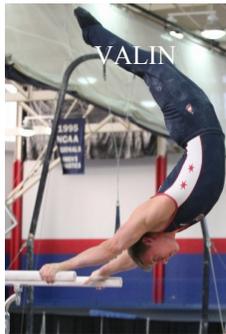
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS-CHICAGO

The University of Illinois-Chicago traveled to Philadelphia to take on Temple on Saturday evening inside McGonigle Hall. The Flames finished the night with 409.650 points recording their highest score of the season---, which was good enough to defeat the Owls.

Jason Gaides and Jacob Thurber dominated on floor exercise recording scores of 14.950 and 14.800, respectively. Gaides also notched

the top-score for the Flames on pommel horse recording a 14.700.

Brett Valin notched the best score for UIC on rings and vault with scores of 14.500 and 14.950. Teammate Trent Jarrett had an impressive run on score recording a 14.450, and had the Flames best score on parallel bars recording a 14.150.



The Flames finished the night on high bar, when senior Kyle Christiansen notched a team-best score of 13.600.

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

William and Mary posted its best score of the season en route to earning a 412.3 – 407.8 victory at Springfield on Sunday afternoon.

Highlighting the Tribe's effort was a trio of gymnasts who claimed individual event titles – Neal Courter (floor – 14.2); J.J. Jindra (rings – 14.35); Michael Deitz (high bar – 14.4).

W&M earned the top three scores on high bar, as Deitz claimed the title with a 14.4



while Jindra (14.3) and Keaton Ackerman (14.0) both recorded season highs in the event.

In addition to Courter registering the top score on floor, Deitz placed second with a 14.15.

Aria Sabbagh equaled a career high (14.35) on vault to place second, while Deitz finished third with a 14.3.

Rob Meyer placed second on parallel bars (14.05).

Ackerman also tied for second on pommel horse with a 13.8.

Jindra was the squad's top all-arounder and finished second with a season-high 81.9, while Ackerman was third with a 79.3.

SPRINGFIELD COLLEGE

Springfield College had a solid showing on Sunday afternoon in Blake Arena despite a 412.300-407.800 loss to visiting William and Mary.

Jon Zirna paced the Pride in the All-Around competition with his first-place finish. The Physician Assistant major laid the ground work for Springfield as he finished in

the top three in the rings, floor, vault and parallel bars.

Pat Ryther placed first on the pommel horse with a 14.700, followed by Zirna in second place (13.800).

Freshman Joshua Dieker took runner-up on the rings with a mark of 14.000 while Chris Graff finished third (13.800).

Zirna was the top finisher for the Pride in the floor event as he stuck a 14.050 for a third-place finish. His tremendous showing of 15.000 on vault landed him in the top slot for the event, as well as on the parallel bars where he posted a 14.100.

Brian Cogan represented Springfield on the high bar with a 13.600.



ZIRNA

CLUB REPORTS:

Editor's Note: Whenever the meet results are made available I will post them in this area as a favor to these club teams.

ARIZONA STATE UNIV-Feb. 7th

The Arizona Sun Devils traveled to Washington State to compete against the University of California and the University of Washington (club team). California won the meet with a score of 421.30, ASU was second with 405.30 and Washington 3rd with 394.65.

Starting on Pommel Horse, ASU got off to a great start with the help of Mike Repp's 13.8 performance.

After a strong showing from our first five ring men, Landon Fisher capped off a 6 for 6 hit percentage on Rings with a huge 14.35 score and a BEAUTIFUL stuck double layout.

On parallel bars a huge Sun Devil Stuck dismount and an event high 13.5 score, Captain Zach Mollet and his P. Bars squad hit 6 for 6.

Moving to horizontal bar, the best event in my opinion, Freshman Mark Treybal and Jeff Andony made their debut on the high bar line-up, and did so in style both hitting amazing sets.

The Devils wrapped up the meet on vault with excellent scores. Freshman Daniel Bronnenburg had a team high with his awesome 14.95 score to finish the competition.

The Devils finished with a season high 85% hit ratio. Written by Sophomore Chas Van de Motter-edited by Jerry.



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