



# COLLEGE GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION

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### CGA Weekly Report

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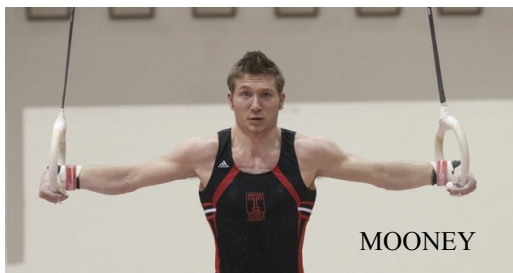


#### HIGH TEAM SCORE THIS SEASON

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| Oklahoma             | 357.05 |
| Penn State           | 355.50 |
| Illinois             | 355.10 |
| Stanford             | 351.40 |
| California           | 349.90 |
| Ohio State           | 347.75 |
| Minnesota            | 347.00 |
| Michigan             | 345.70 |
| Temple               | 342.30 |
| Nebraska             | 341.75 |
| Air Force            | 338.90 |
| Iowa                 | 338.20 |
| UIC                  | 333.10 |
| Army                 | 330.90 |
| Navy                 | 329.90 |
| William & Mary       | 328.60 |
| Arizona State (club) | 325.00 |
| Springfield          | 323.90 |
| Brockport (club)     | 284.30 |
| Washington (club)    | 251.20 |

#### **TEMPLE UNIVERSITY-Friday**

Senior Chris Mooney took part in four events, totaling 55.700 for the third-highest overall score of the night to help the No. 9 Temple men's gymnastics team defeat Army, 334.300-330.900 on Friday night. The nationally ranked Temple squad now owns a record of 12-1 on the year.



MOONEY

Mooney helped the Owls swipe the top spot, having third place finishes on both pommel horse (14.100) and on still rings (14.600)

Junior Brett Statman and senior Logan Fiery had the two strongest finishes for Temple on this night. Statman led all competitors in the vault event with his earned score of 14.400, while Fiery's demonstration was impressive enough to deem him the event-high score of 13.800 on the horizontal bar.

Senior Blake Collins placed just behind Fiery on bars, as he was garnered with a second place tally of 13.700.

Freshman Micheal Bittner put on one of his more impressive meets, as he took the runner-up position on pommel horse, receiving a

score of 14.100.

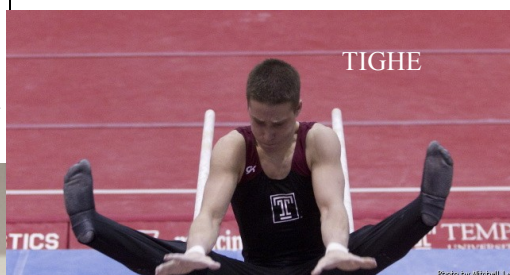
Also playing a large contribution in Temple's third-straight win was Taylor Brana and Jeff Zack. Brana tied Mooney with a like score of 14.600 on rings for third place, while Zack's 13.100 on vault positioned him in third place in the event.

#### **TEMPLE UNIVERSITY-Sunday**

On Sunday in the tri-meet held at West Point, the Temple Owls took the top-spot in the competition, earning a total of 340.900 to beat out host Army (334.900) and Springfield (323.900). Temple had a competitor win a title in five of six events.

Senior *Chris Mooney* won all around with a score of 83.800, while *Michael Bittner*, *Brett Statman*, *Alex Tighe* and *Matt Martin* all won an event title.

Tighe displayed the most impressive overall afternoon for the Owls as he turned in first place finishes on parallel bars and on horizontal bars. Tighe posted a score of 14.500 on the parallel bars before taking the top spot on horizontal bars with his earned total of 14.300.



TIGHE

*Allan Malone* was a close runner-up to Tighe on horizontal bars, as he took a second place finish, as he was garnered with a score of 14.200. *Logan Fiery* placed third with his performance on the apparatus with his score of 14.100.

Following Tighe on parallel bars was Fiery, as he was granted a fifth place score of 14.100.

Statman collected the top score on the floor with a total of 15.200. Malone followed in second place with an earned total of 15.100, ahead of *Chris Mooney* in fourth place (14.600).

Winning another event title for the Owls was Bittner, as he nailed down the top score on pommel horse with his tally of 14.200. *Taylor Brana* placed third in the event with his score of 13.900, while Mooney tied for fourth place, as he earned a 13.800.

Brana hauled in Temple's top score on still

rings with a second place overall score of 14.900.

Martin won the vault event, as he was awarded a score of 14.700. *Jeff Zack* held the runner-up spot with his total of 14.300.

#### **U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY-Friday**

Army threw a scare at Temple Friday evening at Gross Sports Center as the No. 15 Black Knights headed into the final event holding a slim 279.8-279.3 lead over Temple, but the No. 9 Owls' 53.7 on high bar proved the margin of difference in taking a 334.3-330.9 decision over their host.

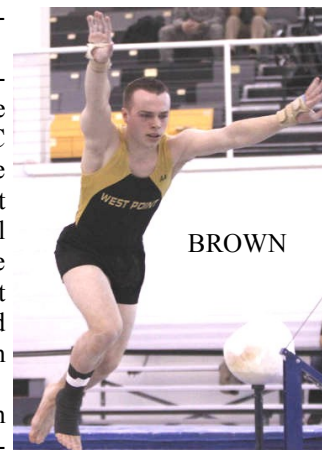
Chase Brown turned in a season-high 14.4 recording his second win of the season on floor exercise. The Army senior tied for second on vault behind a season-best 14.3, and took third (13.6) on parallel bars.

Garrek Hojan-Clark, the reigning ECAC Gymnast of the Week, was first on pommel horse for the second straight meet and third time this season with a 15.1.

Jared Breeden turned in a season-best 14.4 to

beat the field on still rings, dominated by Temple, as Army set a season-high 57.6 in the team scoring. The win was the second this season for the Army junior, who tied for fourth place on floor exercise with a 14.1, and posted a 13.6 on vault.

Ikaika Jakub captured medalist honors for the first time this season after beating the field with a season-high 14.0 on parallel bars. Earlier in the meet, he shattered his career mark on still rings with a 14.6 to tie for runner-up honors.



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Alex Ganz turned in his highest score in the all-around on still rings where he tied for fifth place with a career-high 14.5, then equaled his second-highest mark this season on pommel horse (13.1). This helped lead to his win in the All Around (78.00).

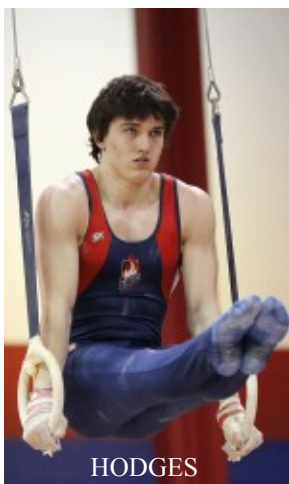
After winning parallel bars with a 55.10, Army headed into its final event (high bar) with a 279.8 composite, but its 51.1 on high bar trailed Temple's winning mark (53.7) by over two points. That was enough to carry the Owls to the win after posting a 55.0 on its final event - parallel bars.

### UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS-CHICAGO

The University of Illinois-Chicago Flames captured first-place tallies in three individual events, but No. 11 Air Force defeated the 14th-ranked UIC men's gymnastics team, 338.900-329.500, Friday night at Cadet West Gym Friday.

The Flames finished first in the floor exercise, pommel horse and all-around competitions, with Dan Zerbal, Lukasz Adamczyk and Joseph Hodges winning the respective events.

Zerbal scored a meet-high 14.900 on the floor, capturing first-place honors in the event. Meanwhile, Adamczyk finished first in the pommel horse (14.700), and Hodges secured a meet-best 80.00 tally in the all-around.



HODGES

### U.S. NAVAL ACADEMY-Sunday

The Navy gymnastics team fell short in its bid to remain unbeaten in dual meets this season as William & Mary defeated the Midshipmen, 326.1-319.6, on Sunday afternoon in Williamsburg, Va. Senior Andrew Faulk won the all-around title as his score of 84.7 was his second-highest total of the season.

The Tribe posted higher scores than Navy in every event but the vault on Sunday, where the Mids registered a 55.8.

In winning the all-around title for the fourth consecutive week, Faulk posted the highest

scores of the meet in the pommel horse (14.2), rings (14.3), vault (14.4), parallel bars (14.1) and high bar (13.7). His scores of 14.1 on the parallel bars and 14.3 on the rings both tied season highs.



FAULK

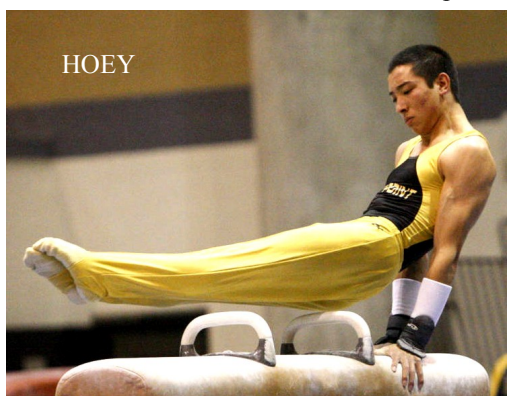
Austin Zalik had the second-highest finish for a Midshipman on Sunday as he finished just 0.1 behind Faulk on the rings with a 14.2 to take second place.

Nate Gessner placed third in the vault with a 14.0, while Brandon Tinkham and Eric Viscardi tied for fourth as both posted a 13.7.

### U. S. MILITARY ACADEMY. -Sunday

Army set a season-high for the second time this weekend and third straight meet posting a 334.9 on Senior Day at Gross Sports Center. The No. 15 Black Knights earned a split of a triangular meet defeating No. 17 Springfield, 334.9-323.9, in rebounding from a 340.9-334.9 loss to No. 9 Temple.

Senior team captain Jonathan Hoey and freshman Alex Ganz garnered runner-up honors on pommel horse and parallel bars, respectively, along with third-place finishes by Jared Breeden on floor exercise and on paral-



HOEY

lel bars, in providing Army with key performances on the afternoon.

Hoey's 14.0 mark on pommel horse was his second highest mark of the season. Ganz turned in a career-high 14.4 on parallel bars. Ikaika Jakub also set a career-high in that event with a 14.2, nipping his former mark of 14.1, in tying for third.

Breeden shattered his career mark on floor exercise after earning a 14.7 to finish third. He tied for fourth on still rings (14.5) and was fifth on vault (14.1).

Chase Brown set a season-high 14.5 on floor exercise, which is just 1/10 off his career mark, and recorded a 14.0 on vault and parallel bars. Nicholas Fettingner turned in a season-high 14.0 on parallel bars.

All seven Army's competitors on floor exercise posted either season or career marks. Zack Linton (13.9) and Jakub (14.2) joined Brown in setting season marks with Jeremy Cahill (14.0), Ian Howard (14.1) and Ganz (13.7) setting career marks along with Breeden.

It was the final home meet for four seniors - Chase Brown, Brandon Long, Jonathan Hoey and Zack Linton.

### COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

William and Mary defeated Navy, 326.1 - 319.6, at Kaplan Arena on Sunday afternoon.

En route to recording a season-high team score of 55.4 on floor, sophomore Daniel Potemski registered a 14.2 to win the individual title in the event. Sophomore Landon Funic-



POTEMSKI

ello also came up big with a season-best 14.0 to tie for second among all competitors.

Potemski led the Tribe on pommel horse with a 14.1 to place second overall. Junior Futa Ikeda also posted an impressive performance and nearly equaled a season high with a 13.3.

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On rings Potemski narrowly missed matching his career high with a 14.1 and was the team's top scorer in the event, while freshman J.J. Jindra and senior Steve Deutsch both totaled a 13.9.

Potemski led the Tribe on vault and placed second overall with a 14.3, while senior Dan Melzar hit for 13.9.

On parallel bars Potemski led the squad and tied for second among all competitors with a 13.8, while Jindra and sophomore Sam Patterson both notched a 13.5.

W&M closed the meet on high bar and was led by Jindra's career-high 13.7, which tied for first overall. Potemski also contributed to the team total with a 13.6.

Potemski nearly equaled the best all-around score of his career with an 84.1, as his mark led the team and placed second overall. Jindra and Ikeda also competed in all six events and established career highs with an 80.3 and a 79.3, respectively.

#### **COLLEGE OF BROCKPORT**

The College at Brockport traveled to Minneapolis, MN this past weekend to compete against the Minnesota Golden Gophers and the Iowa Hawkeyes.

The Golden Eagles scored a season high 284.3, while setting a new school floor exercise record with a 53.2. The team was led by Senior Brian Gildemeyer, who tied his own school floor exercise record (13.6) for the second time this season. Gildemeyer's 73.9 all-around was good enough for a third place finish behind Iowa's Broderick Shemansky and Minnesota's DJ Repp.

