

COLLEGE GYMNASTICS ASSOCIATION BIG TEN & ECAC CONFERENCE

Men's Weekly Reports

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BIG TEN CONFERENCE:

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY:

No. 5 Penn State opened the 2014 campaign with a convincing victory against No. 15 Army, 431.900-410.300, on Saturday evening inside Rec Hall. Sophomore Trevor Howard won four individual events, while redshirtjunior Nestor Rodriguez and junior Matthew Felleman helped the Nittany Lions sweep the individual event titles, winning the pommel horse and high bar, respectively.

Howard also took home the all-around title with a score of 87.60, winning the floor exercise (15.050), still rings (15.450), vault (15.000) and parallel bars (15.100). He scored 12.600 on the pommel horse and 14.350 on the high bar.



After missing the second portion of the 2013 season, Rodriguez made a triumphant return to the mat, capturing a first-place finish on the pommel horse by a score of 14.750. On the rings, he finished fourth, with a score of 14.900.

Felleman opened the 2014 season with another strong performance on the horizontal bar. The school record holder recorded a firstplace finish in the event with a score of 15.550 for his fourth career title on the high bar.

As a team, the Nittany Lions claimed the first five spots on the rings, featuring Howard, Tristan Duverglas, Alexis Torres, Rodriguez and Jochumsson. Penn State also captured the first four positions on the parallel bars, which included top performances by Howard, DiFulvio Leroy Clarke Jr. and Preston Gall.

UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA:

No. 10 Nebraska faced four other teams at the Rocky Mountain Open on Saturday night, falling short of Oklahoma with a score of 423.700. NU beat Air Force with a narrow 0.6 point margin.

The Huskers started off the evening on parallel bars with Redshirt freshman Austin Epperson kicking off the meet for Nebraska, earning a 13.90 on his first-ever collegiate performance. Junior Louis Klein and senior CJ Schaaf earned 14.50s, while senior Eric Schryver grabbed the top score on the event for the Huskers with a 14.70.

Freshman Antonio Castro started off the HB rotation, struggling halfway through his routine and finishing with a 12.05. Klein and Schryver both stuck their landings. Klein grabbed the event best score for the Huskers with a 14.00. (Note: Score sheets credit Klein with first place with 14.80?)



In FX Omaha-native Ethan Lottman earned the highest score on the event for NU, posting a 14.45. All-American Grant Perdue followed close behind, earning a 14.35. Redshirt freshmen Coleman Tokar and Austin Epperson both grabbed scores in the 13s, along with true freshman Travis Gollott.

On PH Schryver and Lottman, returning leaders on the event, led Nebraska with two high 14 scores. The senior took the lead score (14.85), while Lottman earned a respectable second (14.65).

On rings Junior Robbie Kocks led NU on the event, posting a personal best 15.40. Senior Donovan Arndt also posted a 15 score, earning a 15.10 for his routine. Klein and Schaaf scored a pair of 14.60s, followed by Epperson with a 14.35.

Perdue led NU on the vault event, scoring a 14.40. He was closely followed by Schaaf and Tokar, who both posted a 14.35.

Senior CJ Schaaf took home second in the all-around, scoring a consistent 80.300.?

Score sheets show 82.10. ??

Note: There are some score differences between this report and the score sheets.

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS:

Thanks to stand-out performances from three freshmen making their collegiate debuts, the University of Illinois Fighting Illini opened its season with a 413.100-393.450 victory over UIC Sunday afternoon at the Physical Education Building. Despite using a scaled back lineup in the opener, six Orange and Blue gymnasts captured event titles, while freshman Chandler Eggleston led the way with a win in floor exercise and on parallel bars.

Illinois started the day on pommel horse, sweeping the top five spots individually to post a team score of 68.900. Sophomore Logan Bradley took the title with a 14.150. Bradley was followed by senior Chad Mason in second with a 14.000, freshman Matt Foster in third with a 13.700, soph-



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omore Jacob Tilsley in fourth with a 13.650 and freshman Tom Gibbs in fifth with a 13.400.

In the second rotation, the Illini notched a 68.500 on floor and took the top two spots. Eggleston earned his first event title with a score of 15.00. Fellow newcomer Matt Foster placed second with 14.200.

On vault, Illinois secured a 71.250, led again by Eggleston, who placed first with a 15.250. Reigning Big Ten and NCAA Champion Fred Hartville took second with a score of 14.750.

In the following rotation, the Illini swept the top five on rings, combining for a team score of 71.450. Junior Mike Wilner won his 8th rings title with 15.400, placing him in the top 10 all-time record holders. Jordan Valdez took second with a 14.450, followed by Cameron Rogers (14.250), Tom Gibbs (13.850), and Doug Blanton (13.500) in third, fourth, and fifth place, respectively.

On high bar, Illinois claimed two of the top three spots and totaled a team score of 64.300. Junior Jordan Valdez won the title with a 14.350, followed by Eggleston who took third with a score of 13.550.

Illinois ended with a 68.700 on parallel bars, paced by Rogers, who placed first with a



14.450. Gibbs came in a close second with 14.250.

Freshman Tom Gibbs won the all-around with a score of 82.550 after placing in the top five in five events.

ECAC CONFERENCE:

U.S. MILITARY ACADEMY:

Army fell to preseason No. 5-ranked Penn State, 431.9-410.3, in the 2014 season opener for both Saturday evening inside Rec Hall on the campus of the Nittany Lions. In spite of the loss, the No. 15 Black Knights scored over six points higher than they did at last year's meet.

Sophomore Jesse Glenn led the Black Knights with a pair of runner-up finishes in two of the six individual events en route to placing second in the all-around scoring with an 84.4. Glenn's career-high 14.9 on high bar earned him runner-up honors and denied Penn State from sweeping the top four places. He broke his previous high of 14.65 that he set in last year's opener against Penn State.

Glenn shared second-place honors on vault with Penn State's Tristan Duverglas after tallying a 14.7, which was just 5/100s off his personal best that he set last February.



Freshmen Joe Pritts and Sam Kusnitz shined in their first collegiate meet with Pritts finishing fourth on floor exercise with a 14.25 followed by Kusnitz's13.9 in posting Army's top marks in that event. Juniors Connor Venrick and Mike Tserkovnyuk turned in Army's highest scores on pommel horse in finishing fourth (14.05) and fifth (14.0), respectively.

Sophomore Chris Short's 14.0 on parallel bars earned him fifth place with Kusnitz next at 13.8. Junior Jeremy Cahill finished fifth on high bar behind a career-high 14.15 with sophomore Michael York close behind in sixth (13.7) place, which was just 2/10s off his personal best.

highest mark on vault (14.2) to place sixth, and posted the Black Knights' top score on still rings (14.5) in tying for fifth place.

UNIV. OF ILLINOIS-CHICAGO:

UIC held their first meet of the season at the Physical Education Building against Illinois. Despite their best efforts, the Flames came up short in a 413.100-393.450 final to the Illini. Freshman Jacob Thurber came away with two third-place finishes and senior Joseph Hodges finished second on the high bar.

UIC began on floor, where Thurber scored a 13.500, coming in third place. Freshman Alexander Dumstorf was not far behind with a fourth place finish and a final score of 13.400.

On parallel bars, junior Brett Valin and junior Jason Gaides third placed and fourth, respectively. Valin finished with a final score of 14.200, while Gaides scored 13.600.

Thurber continued to have a strong showing by taking third overall on vault with a final score of 14.700, the Flames best score of the day.

Senior Lukasz Adamczyk had a team-high score for the Flames on pommel horse with 13.150, and Hodges led the Flames on rings scoring 13.350.

UIC collected its best result of the day on high bar, where Hodges placed second with a score of 13.650. The Flames defeated the Illini in the event by a score of 65.400-64.300.

In the all-around, Illinois' Thomas Gibbs finished with the top score of 82.550, followed by Hodges with a 78.200.

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY:

William and Mary opened its 2014 season with a good showing at the State Open at Kaplan Arena on Sunday afternoon, as four Tribe gymnasts combined to claim six individual event titles.

Senior Landon Funiciello, a two-time NCAA All-American, broke his own school record on rings (15.7) and won two events (rings, parallel bars), while sophomore Neal Courter also claimed two event titles (vault, high bar). Senior Daniel Potemski (floor) and Senior Kip Webber recorded Army's second junior Jason Wang (pommel horse) both



earned the top score in one event apiece.

The Tribe opened the meet on floor where Potemski won the event title with a 14.4, while junior J.J. Jindra placed third with a 13.65.

W&M then moved to pommel horse, as Wang won the event by equaling his career high (14.2). Junior Peter Ten Eyck (13.85) and Potemski (13.65) rounded out the top three.

Funiciello's school-record performance highlighted the College's effort on rings, while Potemski and senior Sam Patterson tied for second with a pair of 13.8's.

Courter (14.7) narrowly edged Potemski (14.65) for the vault title, while junior Michael Deitz placed third with a 14.25.

Funiciello won his second event of the afternoon on parallel bars with a 14.4. Patterson (14.1) and Potemski (13.95) placed second and third, respectively.

The Tribe closed the season-opening meet on high bar where Courter earned the title with a 14.1. Deitz (13.8) and Jindra (13.7) rounded out the top three.

Potemski won the all-around title with an 83.95, while Jindra placed second with an 80.8.

This year's State Open was an individual championship with no team scoring.

TOP TEAM SCORES THIS WEEK:

443.15	Army	410.30
431.90	Arizona St.	402.105
431.10	Ill-Chicago	393.45
425.65	Washington	367.30
423.70		
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ROCKY MOUNTAIN OPEN INDIVIDUAL EVENT RESULTS U.S. AIR FORCE ACADEMY

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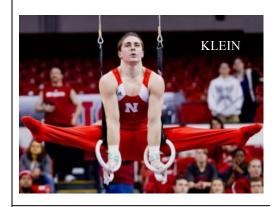




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	Oklahoma	443.15
2.	Nebraska	423.70
	Air Force	423.10
	Arizona State	402.105
	Washington	367.30
	LL AROUND	507.50
	Danny Berardini, OK	86.95
	Alan Bower, OK	86.00
	Timmy Wang, AF	84.50
⊃. ⊿	CJ Schaaf, Neb	82.10
	Lee Wilkerson, ASU	78.30
	Steve Gragg, ASU	78.30
	Justin Rowen, Wash	74.80
	Peter Moser, Wash	74.60
	LOOR EXERCISE	
	Alec Robin, OK	15.60
	Colin Van Wicklen, OK	15.35
	Danny Berardini, OK	14.95
	Kanji Oyama, OK	14.90
	Thomas Hanson, ASU	14.85
	Dylan Akers, OK	14.75
6.	Timmy Wang, AF	14.75
	Ben Zaiser, AF	14.55
P	OMMEL HORSE	
1.	Sergey Resnick, OK	14.95
2.	Eric Schyver, Neb	14.85
	Raymond White, OK	14.80
	Ethan Lottman, Neb	14.65
	Alan Bower, OK	14.45
	Alec Robin, OK	14.40
	Nicholas Owen, AF	14.35
	Timmy Wang, AF	13.80
	INGS	15.00
	Michael Squires, OK	15.85
	Robbie Kocks, Neb	15.40
	Donovan Arndt, Neb	15.10
	Gared Chapman, AF	15.05
	Jon Spiro, AF	15.00
	Danny Barardini, OK	14.85
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	Louis Klein, Neb	14.60
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1. ว	Raymond White, OK	14.75
	Colin Van Wicklen, OK	14.65
	Dylan Akers, Ok	14.60
	Allan Bower, OK	14.50
	Grant Perdue, Neb	14.40
	CJ Schaaf, Neb	14.35
6.	Coleman Token, Neb	14.35
8.	Danny Berardini, OK	14.30
	Kanji Oyama, OK	14.30
	ARALLEL BARS	
1.	Sergey Resnick, OK	15.60
	Danny Berardini, OK	15.40
	Allan Bower, OK	15.35
	Dylan Akers, OK Presten Ellsworth, OK	15.20 15.10
	Michael Reid, OK	15.00
	Skyler Awisus, AF	14.90
8.	Timmy Wang, AF	14.85
	Josh Ramos, AF	14.85







HORIZONTAL BAR

1. Louis Klein, Neb	14.80
2. Stanton Rehkemper, OK	14.75
3. William Clement, OK	14.35
4. Danny Berardini, OK	14.30
5. Colin Van Wicklen, OK	14.10
6. Ethan Jose, OK	14.00
7. Josh Ramos, AF	13.90
8. Ethan Lottman, Neb	13.80