

AREA DIGEST

USD Women Second, Men Third In Great West Cross Country Poll

NAPERVILLE, Ill. — The Great West Conference cross country coaches have selected the University of South Dakota to finish second on the women's side and third on the men's side at the 2010 GWC Championships...

The Coyote women tallied 56 points for second place behind Utah Valley with 64 points, while North Dakota was third with 47. The USD women finished second at last fall's championship meet...

On the men's side, USD finished third in the preseason poll with 45 points after Seattle (56) and Utah Valley (61). Ethan Marquardt earned second-team All-GWC honors to lead the Coyote men to a third-place team finish...

Augie Women's Football Clinic Saturday

SIOUX FALLS — The Augustana football program will host its annual women's football clinic on Aug. 28 from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the University's Presidential Residence and Kirby-Over Stadium...

The event will begin at the Augustana Fellows' Presidential Residence (located up the hill from Kirby-Over Stadium) and move to the stadium shortly thereafter. For more information and to register, go online to www.gaugie.com.

Yankton Tailgate Party Saturday

RAPID CITY — There will be a pregame tailgate party for Yankton fans traveling to Saturday's season-opening football game at Rapid City Central.

The tailgate party begins at 3 p.m., with the football game beginning at 5:30 p.m. Those wishing to attend are asked to bring their own hot dogs to be grilled.

For more information, contact Steve Sternhagen at 660-0776.

Gazelles, Pats Play To Draw

SIOUX FALLS — The Yankton Gazelles recorded their second tie to open the season, playing a 1-1 draw with Sioux Falls Lincoln in a high school girls' club soccer game Tuesday night in Sioux Falls.

Riley Paulsen scored for Yankton 30 minutes into the game. Lincoln got on the board 40 minutes into the contest. Yankton got strong defensive play from Audie Fuks and Angie Dvorak, while Brandi Broekmeier, Katie Callaghan and Maggie Bisgard had solid games at midfield.

Courtney True recorded seven saves for the Gazelles, while Katie Greenway had three.

Dickinson St. Atop DAC Preseason Poll

DICKINSON, N.D. (AP) — Defending Dakota Athletic Conference football co-champions Dickinson State and Minot State sit one and two in the preseason coaches poll released Wednesday. The Blue Hawks received five first-place votes to edge Minot State for the top spot.

Black Hills State was third in the poll, followed by Jamestown College, South Dakota Mines, Valley City State, Dakota State and Mayville State.

Saturday Night Mixed Meeting Aug. 29

The Saturday Night Mixed Fall meeting will be held Sunday, Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m. at Yankton Bowl. At the meeting, the schedule will be finalized, rules will be discussed and other information will be provided.

For more info, contact secretary-treasurer Jan Putnam at 661-1174 or by e-mail at saturdayntmixed@hotmail.com.

Co-Ed Softball League Forming

A fall co-ed softball league is forming, with games to be played on Sunday afternoons at Sertoma Park. The deadline for entries is Tuesday, Aug. 31.

For more info, contact Kathy Shelburg at 664-3778 or 661-9483.

AREA CALENDAR

- Thursday, August 26
GOLF, BOYS' S.F. Christian Tour, at Bakker Crossing, Sioux Falls
Friday, August 27
CROSS COUNTRY, PREP S.F. O'Gorman Inv. (YHS, 4 p.m.)
Saturday, August 28
CROSS COUNTRY, MS S.F. O'Gorman Inv. (YMS, 4 p.m.)
Sunday, August 29
GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Bobcat North Dakota Open at Fargo CC, Fargo, N.D.

American League

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SCOREBOARD

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Houston 4, Philadelphia 2, 16
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Pittsburgh 4, St. Louis 3
N.Y. Mets 9, Florida 5

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NASCAR

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driver to cross the finish line and celebrated as if he were the victor.

NASCAR disqualified him for disobeying a black flag, Kevin Harvick got the victory, and Gordon was suspended for the next day's Sprint Cup Series race at Pocono for his disregard of a NASCAR directive.

Edwards, upon learning this week that Gordon had entered this year's race, couldn't help but laugh out loud.

"That's another guy we have got

Transactions

BASEBALL

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POWER

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final four tracks. Both drivers have won at Homestead. Dixon, 95 points behind Power in the overall standings, has a victory at Twin Ring Motegi in Japan and Franchitti has won in Chicago, where Dixon has three second-place finishes.

Neither has won at Kentucky, but Ganassi Racing has. "It's a fairly large deficit, but it's four tracks we've run well on," Franchitti said. "I don't underestimate the challenge at all. Will is going to be quite strong. People are writing him off because of his lack of experience on ovals, but he'll be right up there. We have to do a better job and we'll be pushing 100 percent."

Power's goal is to win an oval race and the overall title. He doesn't have to win an oval race to get the title, though.

All Power has to do is stay away from catastrophe, run near the top and hope neither Franchitti nor Dixon strings together two or three wins in the final four races.

He's done it all season on the road courses. Now it's time to show he can do it on the ovals.

"We've been thinking about it (the ovals) for weeks — it's going to be fun," said Clive Howell, Power's strategist. "I think he's going to be good. He's going to shake that monkey and we'll be fine."

MLB

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York played at Toronto later.

The Angels stopped a three-game slide overall and a four-game skid against the Rays at home. They got outscored 14-6 in losing the first two games of the series and came into the finale 2-for-25 with runners in scoring position.

NATIONAL LEAGUE
ROCKIES 12, BRAVES 10: DENVER (AP) — The Colorado Rockies overcame a nine-run deficit, matching the biggest rally in team history and stunning the Atlanta Braves 12-10 Thursday on Troy Tulowitzki's go-ahead single in the eighth inning.

Down 10-1 in the third inning, the Rockies chipped away against the NL East leader before taking the lead with four runs in the eighth.

Carlos Gonzalez hit a tying, two-run single with two outs, and Tulowitzki and Todd Helton followed with RBI singles.

Colorado also came back from nine runs down to beat Florida 18-17 on July 4, 2008. The NL record for the biggest comeback is 11 runs, and the major league mark is 12.

REDS 12, GIANTS 11, 12 Innings: SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — The Reds blew a nine-run lead, then regrouped and rallied past the Giants on Joey Votto's tiebreaking single in the 12th inning.

The NL Central-leading Reds took a 10-1 lead into the bottom of the fifth before San Francisco came back. Aubrey Huff's sacrifice fly capped a six-run burst in the eighth that put the Giants ahead 11-10.