

Press&Dakotan DAILY DOSE

Daily opinions from the P&D Sports Staff on local and national high school, college and pro sports.



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As an admitted "schedule nerd," I find the piecing together of college sports schedules fascinating. For some reason. And I'm not even a coach.

It's hard to fully explain, but there's something fun about scouring the internet for games that have already been released by certain schedules. My philosophy is, if the information is out there somewhere, why sit and wait? Go after it.

That mindset explains the barrage of schedule tweets I've posted this summer about USD (and at times, SDSU) soccer, volleyball and basketball. Some games — sorry College of Saint Mary — may not interest you, but every once in a while you find a gem; a game that can drum up excitement.

Or, in the case of the SDSU women's basketball team, an entire schedule that can drum up excitement.

The Jackrabbit women — winners of the last five Summit League championships — on Thursday

SDSU Women's Basketball Schedule Should Excite Fans

announced their 2013-14 schedule of 30 regular season games. And in short, it's a doozy.

Half of SDSU's games will be against post-season teams from last year, including seven who played in the NCAA Tournament and five from the WNIT. The kicker? Oh by the way, the Jacks will play Stanford and Notre Dame — both No. 1 seeds in the NCAA Tournament last season.

For comparison sake, that would be like the USD men playing Louisville and Indiana in the same season.

How exactly do the Jackrabbit women put together such a tough schedule? To me, it's pretty simple. Tradition.

In terms of the mid-major ranks, who else outside of a BCS conference has that kind of staying power in the NCAA Tournament? What other team would consistently give the 'top dogs' a challenge year in and year out?

The list of teams would be short, make no mistake.

So, take a second and look through SDSU's schedule, and tell me you're not excited to see how the Jacks fare against some of those names.

Coaches: Send In Fall Sports Information

The 2013 Press & Dakotan Fall Sports Preview will be released in the Friday, Aug. 30 edition.

Coaches of fall sports are asked to send in their team information forms as soon as possible. Forms may be sent by fax to 605-665-1721. Information may also be e-mailed to sports@yankton.net.

Forms were sent to the schools earlier this month. Coaches who have not received their fall sports information forms may call 1-800-743-2968, ext. 106, or e-mail sports@yankton.net.

Yankton Parks & Rec Volleyball Leagues Forming

The Yankton Parks and Recreation Department is now accepting registrations for Adult Women's, Men's, and Coed Volleyball Leagues.

Deadline for team registrations, rosters, and fees is Friday, Oct. 18. League play is scheduled to begin the week of November 4.

Team registration forms and rules are available at the Summit Activities Center at 1801 Summit Street or on the City of Yankton web site at www.cityofyankton.org.

For further information, call (605) 668-5234 or stop by the Summit Activities Center at 1801 Summit Street, Yankton, S.D.

St. Rose Of Lima Golf Tourn. Sept. 15

CROFTON, Neb. — The St. Rose of Lima fundraiser golf tournament will be held on Sunday, Sept. 15, at Lakeview Golf Course.

The event will begin with a 9 a.m. shotgun start. Day-of-tournament registrations will begin at 8 a.m.

Entries are limited to the first 27 teams. There is a cost to participate, which includes golf and the opportunity to win cash, pin and hole-in-one prizes. Team mulligans will also be available for purchase.

For more information or to register, contact Lakeview Golf Course at 402-388-4552.

Crofton Bowling Leagues Looking For Teams

CROFTON, Neb. — Wiebelhaus Lanes in Crofton is looking for teams for two of its bowling leagues, the Thursday Night Men's League and the Women's League. There is one team opening in each league.

The women's league has four teams bowling on Monday, two on Wednesday. For more information, contact Brian Wiebelhaus at 402-388-4640.

Hockey, Skating Registrations Aug. 25

The Yankton Area Ice Association will hold walk-in registrations for hockey, figure-skating and learn-to-skate programs, for new and returning players/skaters of all ages, on Sunday, Aug. 25, from 6-8 p.m. at the Yankton Kiwanis 4-H Ice Arena/Building.

No experience necessary for new players wishing to learn hockey. The Yankton Miracle Hockey program will hold free "Discover Hockey" sessions on Oct. 13 (girls only) from 1-3 p.m., and on Nov. 2 (boys and girls) from 4-6 p.m.

There will also be a "Discover the World of Figure Skating" for girls and boys of all ages on Sunday, Oct. 20, from 2-4 p.m.

Hockey and learn-to-skate questions can be directed to Rhonda Schenkel at 665-3076. Figure Skating questions can be directed to Sue Zavaldi at 660-6316.

More information is also available online at www.yanktonice.org.

Yankton Bowling League Meetings Coming Up

The Yankton USBC Association has announced that league meetings for several bowling leagues, held at Yankton Bowl, will hold their pre-season meetings in the coming days.

League meetings will be held at Yankton Bowl, unless otherwise noted.

All past members of the individual leagues and anyone interested in bowling on the league are encouraged to attend. Questions may be directed to Association Manager Jan Putnam at (605) 661-1174 or email yanktonusbc@hotmail.com. Yankton Bowl at (605) 665-7638 and league secretaries may also be contacted for information.

• SATURDAY NIGHT MIXED: Sunday, Aug. 25, 7 p.m.

• INDUSTRIAL: Monday, Aug. 26, 7 p.m.

• TUESDAY NIGHT MIXED: Tuesday, Aug. 27, 7 p.m.

Osborne To Speak In Yankton Sept. 11

Former University of Nebraska football coach and athletic director Tom Osborne will be the featured speaker at the FCA Evening of Champions, hosted by the Yankton chapter of Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

A free pizza feed for athletes and coaches will be held at 6:15 p.m. at the YHS Commons. The program will follow at 7 p.m. in the main auditorium.

All kids, students, coaches and faculty will be admitted free of charge. Area coaches who plan to bring their students to the event are asked to contact organizers in advance.

The event is open to the public. There is a cost for admission for others.

To help sponsor the event, or for more information, contact Will Eidsness at 660-8032 or Chuck Iverson at 668-1529.

Hartington 3-D Archery Tourn. Aug. 25, Sept. 1

HARTINGTON, Neb. — The Northeast Nebraska Archery Club will host a 3-D tournament at the Hartington open archery range on Sunday, Aug. 25, and Sunday, Sept. 1.

This will be a 50-shot tournament.

Registration is 8 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information, contact Kevin Millikan at 402-640-3322.

Norfolk 'Race2Cure Cancer' Aug. 31

NORFOLK, Neb. — The third annual Race2Cure Cancer 5K-run, Kids' 1-mile fun run with a 2-mile walk for the cause Norfolk Relay For Life fundraiser will be held on Saturday, August 31. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society.

The 5K run and 2-mile walk will both begin at 8 a.m., with the kids' fun run beginning at 9 a.m. The event will begin and end at Ta-Ha-Zouka Park/Cowboy Trail.

Each registrant will receive a FREE Subway Breakfast on 08.31.13 along with other refreshments following the race/walk. ACS raffle immediately following the kids run. (Must be in attendance to win.)

Registrations may be completed online at

www.heartlandtiming.com, or by mailing to Relay For Life, PO Box 1187, Norfolk, NE 68702-1187.

Race day registrations will also be taken from 6:30-7:30 a.m. for the 5K and walk, and from 8:15-8:45 a.m. for the kids' fun run. There is an extra charge to register the day of the race.

Registrations must be completed by Aug. 25 to ensure a t-shirt on race day.

Direct any questions to Pam Carlson at 402-379-1440, ext. 116, or by email at pamc@daycos.com

NDSU Men's Hoops Coach Gets Five-Year Extension

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — North Dakota State University has given a five-year contract extension to men's basketball head coach Saul Phillips that could pay him more than \$1 million, total.

Phillips, 40, will earn a base annual salary of \$175,000 and raises of at least 4 percent each year depending upon his performance review. He also will get bonuses for any conference, regional and national championships.

The contract runs through June 2018 and will automatically renew for two more years unless either Phillips or NDSU decides against it.

Phillips has a 108-77 record entering his seventh season. He led NDSU to an NCAA Tournament appearance in 2009, where the team lost to Kansas in the opening round.

"He is an excellent person with a great family and has proven to be an outstanding coach," NDSU athletic director Gene Taylor said in a statement Thursday. "He has led a team to the NCAA tournament and, after losing some of our program's most productive and talented basketball players to graduation, he has built another team that has excellent talent with high expectations."

NDSU also has given three-year contract extensions to wrestling coach Roger Kish and softball coach Darren Mueller. Kish will make \$70,298 annually and Mueller \$76,491. They also are eligible for performance bonuses.

Fargo Marathon Returning To Downtown Roots

FARGO, N.D. (AP) — Officials are shaking up the course for the Fargo Marathon's 10th anniversary next year, moving both the start and the finish to the downtown area of North Dakota's largest city.

The marathon has started and finished at the Fargodome the last eight years. Next year, it will

start on the Veterans Memorial Bridge, where the inaugural event started in 2005, and finish on Broadway near the Fargo Theatre, *The Forum* newspaper reported.

"Because it will be our 10-year anniversary, we wanted to do something a little different," marathon Executive Director Mark Knutson said. "It seemed only fitting that we would start on the Main Avenue bridge like we did in 2005. And we came to the realization that one of the iconic figures of the Fargo Marathon is the Fargo Theater."

The Fargo Marathon has grown from 2,600 runners in 2005 to more than 24,000 last year competing in different races over a three-day period. Next year's event is scheduled May 8-10.

Knutson stressed that marathon officials do not have any issues with the Fargodome and said next year's move is not a permanent change.

Ryan Braun Finally Admits Drug Use In 2011

(AP) — A month after acknowledging he made "mistakes," Ryan Braun admitted taking performance-enhancing drugs during his NL MVP season of 2011.

The suspended Milwaukee slugger said in a statement released Thursday by the Brewers that he took a cream and a lozenge containing banned substances while rehabilitating an injury.

"It was a huge mistake for which I am deeply ashamed and I compounded the situation by not admitting my mistakes immediately," Braun said.

Braun tested positive for elevated testosterone in October 2011, but his 50-game suspension was overturned when an arbitrator ruled that the urine sample was mishandled.

Braun apologized to the collector of the urine sample, his teammates and Commissioner Bud Selig.

"I have no one to blame but myself. I know that over the last year and a half I made some serious mistakes, both in the information I failed to share during my arbitration hearing and the comments I made to the press afterwards," Braun said. "I have disappointed the people closest to me — the ones who fought for me because they truly believed me all along. I kept the truth from everyone. For a long time, I was in denial and convinced myself that I had not done anything wrong."

Last month he accepted a 65-game suspension resulting from Major League Baseball's investigation of the Biogenesis of America anti-aging clinic.

SCOREBOARD

TENNIS

YANKTON SUMMER LEAGUES

MEN'S DIVISIONS

COURT 1: Luke Rockne 15.44, Max Hunhoff 13.9, Mike Briggs 13.8, Jason Shindler 13.6

COURT 2: Jonathon Liudahl 12.3, Paul Fanta 12.6, Brandon Frick 12.3, Hunter Rockne 12.1

COURT 3: Brady Clavel 11.6, Ethan Klimisch 11.8, Greg Hauer 11.7, Rich Cornelius 11.2

COURT 4: Derek Dvorak 11.8, Curtin Frost 11.1, Lon Lippert 10.5, Jason Tellus 8.1

WOMEN'S DIVISIONS

COURT 1: Valerie Robinson 14.9, Carolyn Becker 14.7, Betsy Hughes 13.5, Lisa Halverson 13.1, Jen Heiman 12.6

COURT 2: Taylor Rothenberger 12.1, Becky Ridgway 11.3, Carol Williams 10.5, Brittany Weston 10.5, Anna Kokesh 7.7

JUNIOR LEAGUES

COURT 1: Hunter Lippert 7.1, Ben Rust 8.2, Nathan List 8.1, Anne Knoff 4.0

COURT 2: Ben Mooney 6.2, Tanner Dykstra 6.7, Isaac Klimisch 6.7, Danielle Dvorak 6.1, Mimi Garcia 5.8

COURT 3: Gerrit Dykstra 6.3, Sam Mooney 6.3, Mason Ballard 5.1, Josephine Krajewski 4.9

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	75	54	.581	—
Tampa Bay	72	53	.576	1
Baltimore	68	58	.540	5 1/2
New York	67	59	.532	6 1/2
Toronto	57	70	.449	17
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	74	52	.587	—
Cleveland	69	58	.543	5 1/2
Kansas City	64	60	.516	9
Minnesota	55	70	.440	18 1/2
Chicago	50	74	.403	23
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	73	53	.579	—
Oakland	71	55	.563	2
Seattle	59	67	.468	14
Los Angeles	55	71	.437	18
Houston	41	84	.328	31 1/2
Wednesday's Games				
Seattle 5, Oakland 3				
Boston 12, San Francisco 1				
Baltimore 3, L.A. Angels 1				
Baltimore 4, Tampa Bay 2				
N.Y. Yankees 4, Toronto 2				
Detroit 7, Minnesota 1				
Texas 5, Houston 4				
Chicago White Sox 5, Kansas City 2				
Thursday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees 5, Toronto 3				
Minnesota 7, Detroit 6				
Chicago White Sox at Kansas City, 8:10 p.m.				
Friday's Games				
Minnesota (Deduno 7-7) at Cleveland (U Jimenez 9-7), 6:05 p.m.				
Oakland (Strally 6-7) at Baltimore (B. Norris 9-10), 6:05 p.m.				
Detroit (Fister 10-6) at N.Y. Mets (Matsuzaka 0-0), 6:10 p.m.				

N.Y. Yankees (Kuroda 11-8) at Tampa Bay (Archer 6-5), 6:10 p.m.	(Hamel 5-13), 6:05 p.m.
Texas (M. Perez 6-3) at Chicago White Sox (Sale 9-11), 7:10 p.m.	Colorado (Chacin 11-7) at Miami (Koeher 3-8), 6:10 p.m.
Toronto (Redmond 1-1) at Houston (Lyles 5-6), 7:10 p.m.	Detroit (Fister 10-6) at N.Y. Mets (Matsuzaka 0-0), 6:10 p.m.
Washington (G. Gonzalez 7-6) at Kansas City (B. Chen 5-1), 7:10 p.m.	Milwaukee (Gallardo 9-9) at Cincinnati (H. Bailey 8-10), 6:10 p.m.
Boston (Lackey 8-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 9-9), 9:10 p.m.	Washington (G. Gonzalez 7-6) at Kansas City (B. Chen 5-1), 7:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Richards 3-5) at Seattle (F. Hernandez 12-6), 9:10 p.m.	Atlanta (Medlen 10-11) at St. Louis (Wainwright 14-7), 7:15 p.m.
Saturday's Games	
Boston at L.A. Dodgers, 3:05 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (E. Jackson 7-13) at San Diego (Volquez 9-10), 3:10 p.m.
Detroit at N.Y. Mets, 3:05 p.m.	Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore, 3:05 p.m.	Boston (Lackey 8-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 9-9), 8:10 p.m.
Minnesota at Cleveland, 6:05 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (E. Jackson 7-13) at San Diego (Volquez 9-10), 3:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Tampa Bay, 6:10 p.m.	Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
Texas at Chicago White Sox, 6:10 p.m.	Boston (Lackey 8-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 9-9), 8:10 p.m.
Toronto at Houston, 6:10 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (E. Jackson 7-13) at San Diego (Volquez 9-10), 3:10 p.m.
Washington at Kansas City, 6:10 p.m.	Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Seattle, 8:10 p.m.	Boston (Lackey 8-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 9-9), 8:10 p.m.
Sunday's Games	
Minnesota at Cleveland, 12:05 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (E. Jackson 7-13) at San Diego (Volquez 9-10), 3:10 p.m.
Detroit at N.Y. Mets, 12:10 p.m.	Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
Oakland at Baltimore, 12:35 p.m.	Boston (Lackey 8-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 9-9), 8:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Tampa Bay, 12:40 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (E. Jackson 7-13) at San Diego (Volquez 9-10), 3:10 p.m.
Texas at Chicago White Sox, 1:10 p.m.	Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
Toronto at Houston, 1:10 p.m.	Boston (Lackey 8-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 9-9), 8:10 p.m.
Washington at Kansas City, 1:10 p.m.	Chicago Cubs (E. Jackson 7-13) at San Diego (Volquez 9-10), 3:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Seattle, 3:10 p.m.	Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 6:10 p.m.
Boston at L.A. Dodgers, 7:05 p.m.	Boston (Lackey 8-10) at L.A. Dodgers (Nolasco 9-9), 8:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	77	49	.611	—
Washington	63	64	.496	14 1/2
New York	58	67	.464	18 1/2
Philadelphia	57	70	.449	20 1/2
Miami	48	78	.381	29
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Pittsburgh	74	52	.587	—
St. Louis	73	53	.579	1
Cincinnati	73	55	.570	2
Milwaukee	52	73	.413	19 1/2
Chicago	54	73	.425	20 1/2
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	75	52	.591	—
Arizona	65	61	.516	9 1/2
Colorado	59	70	.457	18
San Diego	57	70	.449	18
San Francisco	56	70	.444	18 1/2
Wednesday's Games				
Atlanta 4, N.Y. Mets 1, 10 innings				
St. Louis 8, Milwaukee 6				
Boston 12, San Francisco 1				
San Diego 2, Pittsburgh 1				
Philadelphia 4, Colorado 3				
Cincinnati 10, Arizona 7				
L.A. Dodgers 4, Miami 1				
Washington 11, Chicago Cubs 6				
Thursday's Games				
Cincinnati 2, Arizona 1				
L.A. Dodgers 6, Miami 0				
Washington 5, Chicago Cubs 4, 13 innings				
Philadelphia 5, Colorado 4				
Atlanta at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.				
Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.				
Friday's Games				
Arizona (Miley 9-8) at Philadelphia				

FOOTBALL

NFL PRESEASON				
Thursday, Aug. 22				
New England at Detroit, 6:30 p.m.				
Carolina at Baltimore, 7 p.m.				
Friday, Aug. 23				
Seattle at Green Bay, 7 p.m.				
Chicago at Oakland, 9 p.m.				
Saturday, Aug. 24				
Buffalo at Washington, 3:30 p.m.				
Cleveland at Indianapolis, 6 p.m.				
N.Y. Jets at N.Y. Giants, 6 p.m.				
Kansas City at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.				
Philadelphia at Jacksonville, 6:30 p.m.				
Sunday, Aug. 25				
Tampa Bay at Miami, 6:30 p.m.				
St. Louis at Denver, 7 p.m.				
Cincinnati at Dallas, 7 p.m.				
Atlanta at Tennessee, 7 p.m.				
San Diego at Arizona, 9 p.m.				
Thursday, Aug. 29				
Indianapolis at Cincinnati, 6 p.m.				
Detroit at Buffalo, 6 p.m.				
Philadelphia at N.Y. Jets, 6 p.m.				
New Orleans at Miami, 6:30 p.m.				
Washington at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.				
Jacksonville at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.				
N.Y. Giants at New England, 6:30 p.m.				
Sunday, Aug. 25				
Pittsburgh at Carolina, 6:30 p.m.				
Tennessee at Minnesota, 7 p.m.				
Cleveland at Chicago, 7 p.m.				
Green Bay at Kansas City, 7 p.m.				

AREA CALENDAR

Friday, August 23	
GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Bobcat Open at Fargo, N.D.	Hillcrest Golf & CC, Yankton p.m.
SOCCER, WOMEN'S Loyola at USD (4 p.m.)	
SOCCER, BOYS' S.F. Vermillion at Hot Springs	(11 a.m.)
Saturday, August 24	
GOLF, DAKOTAS TOUR Bobcat Open at Fargo, N.D.	
GOLF, SDGA Men's Senior Championships at	(11 a.m.)
BASKETBALL	
National Basketball Association	
New Orleans PELICANS—Resigned Lance Thomas. Signed F Arinze Onuaku.	
PHILADELPHIA 76ERS—Acquired G Tony Wroten from Memphis for future draft considerations.	
NBA Development League	
IOWA ENERGY—Named Nate Bjorkgren coach.	
Women's National Basketball Assoc.	
WNBA—Fined New York coach Bill Laimbeer an undisclosed amount for comments he made after Sunday's game.	
FOOTBALL	
National Football League	
NEW YORK GIANTS—Injured FB Henry Hynoski from the PUP list. Signed OT Austin Holzt.	
NEW YORK JETS	
Hamed Nassoufi.	
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS—Released WR Ricardo McCalister. Darral McBath of Oakland signed QB Seneca Wallace at contract. Claimed QB Tim Lincecum from waivers from TAMPA BAY BUCCINEROS.	
National Hockey League	
NHL—Named Bob Hartley coach of player safety and staff of player safety.	
CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS—Signed to terms with F Teemu Selanne a three-year contract.	
SAN JOSE SHARKS—Signed their affiliation agreement with the CHICAGO BLACKHAWKS.	
TAMPA BAY LIGHTNING—Signed to a one-year	