

Swimmers Fall to Huskies

The UNLV swim teams fell to Washington recently at Husky Pool.

The men lost 187-128, while the women were defeated 183.5-134.

Senior Xiaohong Wang won in the 100-yard butterfly for the women with a time of 57.15. Senior Dawn Emery was victorious in the 100-yard backstroke, clocking in at 59.11.

Julie Mroziak continued her comeback, after a year off due to shoulder surgery, by grabbing the 200-yard backstroke (2:05.55).

Sophomore Sandy Scott triumphed in the 100-yard

breaststroke (1:06.66) for the Splashin' Rebels.

On the men's side, freshman Kam Sengthavy was a two-time winner. He gained top honors in the 100 backstroke (50.89) and the 200 backstroke (1:53.60).

Mike Mintenko also won two events. Mintenko, a freshman, was victorious in the 100 butterfly (51.88) and the 100-yard freestyle (47.10).

Sophomore Peter Buss prevailed in the 200-yard butterfly (1:55.21) to wrap up individual honors.

—Sean DeFrank

Rains, Stanford Sweep Lady Rebels

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Rain has become a fact of life for the UNLV women's tennis team.

It seems to follow it everywhere it steps. The weather not only washed out one player's game at home, but it followed the Lady Rebels to Cal-Berkeley, where their match with the Golden Bears was also erased from the books two weekends ago.

Another rain-out at Stanford would have preserved the Lady Rebels' undefeated record. Unfortunately the clouds dispersed and the two teams took the court, where No. 3 Stanford took apart the 39th-ranked Rebels, 9-0.

"We won't be playing a better team all season," Coach Ola Malmqvist said, who was not surprised with the outcome. "I thought we had a chance to run with them. We had some girls who played long sets and ran with them."

The big match of the day was between the two top singles players, 24th ranked Marianne Vallin and Stanford's Katie Schluk-

bir, who is ranked 10th in the nation.

Schlukbir took the first set, 6-1, and Vallin won the second set, 6-4.

With the set tied at one apiece the two girls battled, with Vallin leading late in the match 6-5, but Schlukbir came back win the point and force a tiebreaker.

Vallin captured the first four points, and after losing two, she came back with two points and

forced two match points. Schlukbir fought back, however, and won the next three points, forcing her own match point. Vallin tied it at seven apiece, but Schlukbir took the final two points to win the match, 7-6.

Shiera Stuart also put in a strong performance, taking Kim Sasby to three sets before being defeated 6-4, 2-6, 2-6.

The Lady Rebels (2-1) host Cal State Northridge Friday.

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thigh taped up, and a sore hand, Smith won the first set, 6-4. Martin Ostberg battled back for the Aggies and took the next two sets from Smith, 6-0, 6-1.

In other action, Tim Blenkiron dismantled his opponent, Andy Caldwell, winning 6-1, 6-2. Senior Rob Norton won his match in straight sets, 6-0, 6-2. Thomas Schrader also took care of his opponent in a three-set match, 6-2, 6-7, 6-1.

In doubles action, the Rebels

dropped two of three matches. The team of Blenkiron and Norton defeated Inigo Ojei and Paco Paredes, 8-6.

"We had four guys who did not play Division I tennis," Easley said. "They fought hard and in some ways it was a blessing in disguise that Roger didn't play."

In a match played on Friday, UNLV captured their first win of the season, beating the University of Nevada-Reno 7-0. Pettersson, who improved his season record to 15-4, won his match 6-2, 6-2 by beating Jani Tiilikanen. Luke Smith, Jules Pohjola, Tim Blenkiron, Rob Norton, and Thomas Schrader also came away with straight set victories.

The Rebels will be at Stanford Friday.

UNLV Runs For the Cos

The Lady Rebel track team competed in the Bill Cosby Invitational in Reno last Saturday.

Lady Rebel freshman Sarah Feliz finished in first place in the 5000-meter event with a career-best time of 19:15.9

Andrea Burnside had a fourth-place finish in the 200-meters of 25.06 while Amy Carling also had a fourth-place finish in the 3,000-meters in 11:43.93.

Other finishers include: Judy Fraser's sixth-place showing in the 400-meters (55.80), Kamara Mayberry's fifth-place finish in the 800-meters (2:20.06) and the 4x400 team of Burnside, Mayberry, LaTasha Prothro and Fraser finished in sixth (3:52.87).

UNLV ran against 22 teams, including top squads such as Florida State, Oklahoma, Stanford, Georgia Tech, Texas Tech and Baylor.

The Lady Rebels will take this weekend off before returning to Reno, for the fourth time this season, Feb. 18th, for the Mountain Pacific Sports Federation meet to close out indoor action.

—Kevin C. Lewis

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Stewart was AWOL for more than a day, no disciplinary action has been handed down as of yet.

All this despite letting his teammates down by pulling an unexplained disappearing act. And when he finally did show up, at practice Tuesday afternoon, Stewart had an embarrassed look on his face and didn't want to talk about it.

Yeah, the coaches, trainers, doctors, teammates and even the media were jumping through hoops this past week. Just like at the circus.

—Paul Gutierrez
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at The Rebel Yell



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