



24th Annual BIG SEVEN

Conference

SWIMMING MEET

at

University of Colorado

Boulder, Colorado

March 9, 10, 1956

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Add 500*



Jim McKevitt
Iowa State



Lin Meiring
Oklahoma



Tom Kehoe
Oklahoma



Sandy Stewart
Iowa State



Jerry Loar
Colorado



Tom Houchen
Nebraska



Chuck Edwards

THIS YEAR'S MEET

Oklahoma enters this year's meet as prohibitive favorites to capture their fourth Big Seven championship in the last five years. Actually, the Sooners have won the meet for the last four years but use of an ineligible man cost them the title in 1954.

The Oklahomans pack too much squad depth for the rest of the league although the Sooners will get their customary strong argument from Iowa State. The Cyclones, who have never finished lower than second, have some brilliant individuals but aren't as deep as Oklahoma.

As usual, the gap between second and third will be huge. In their annual battle for third place, Colorado, Nebraska and Kansas are fairly well matched with the Cornhuskers owning a slight edge. The host Buffaloes will be performing without the services of Co-captain Wally Snow, second in the one-meter diving a year ago, who has a broken foot.

Oklahoma and Iowa State gobbled up every first place last winter. They could easily do it again.

Jim McKevitt of Iowa State and Lin Meiring of Oklahoma are the stand-outs. McKevitt won three events last year - the 100 and 220-yard freestyles and the 150-yard individual medley. Already this year he has set a new American and National Collegiate record of 2:05.0 in a 20-yard pool in the 220.

Meiring has swept the 100 and 200-yard backstrokes for the last two years.

Other returning champs include Peter Duncan of Oklahoma in the 440-yard freestyle and Tom Kehoe of Oklahoma in the 50-yard freestyle.

Iowa State has a pair of powerful relay teams which have lowered American and National Collegiate 20-yard pool marks this year in the 300-yard medley and 400-yard freestyle. The Cyclone medley trio has stroked to a 2:46.4 while the freestyle quartet has done 3:24.6.

This year's meet, incidentally, will probably be the last five-team event. Kansas State is scheduled to field an official entry next year leaving only Missouri unrepresented in the sport.

PREVIOUS TEAM CHAMPIONS

1929 - Iowa State	1937 - Nebraska	1949 - Iowa State
1930 - Nebraska	1938 - Iowa State	1950 - Oklahoma
1931 - Iowa State	1939 - Iowa State	1951 - Iowa State
1932 - Iowa State	1940 - Iowa State	1952 - Oklahoma
1933 - Iowa State and Nebraska	1941 - Iowa State	1953 - Oklahoma
	1942 - Iowa State	1954 - Iowa State
1934 - Iowa State	1943-46 - No meets, war	1955 - Oklahoma
1935 - Nebraska	1947 - Iowa State	
1936 - Iowa State and Nebraska	1948 - Iowa State	

HEAD OFFICIALS

Referee and Starter: Dr. William Creswell

Head Judge of Finish: Lou Parker

Head Timer: Bill Rapp

Head Diving Judge: Ralph Bibler

Head Scorer: Charles Vavra

Clerk of Course: Dick Klaas

BIG SEVEN TEAMS AND COACHES

Colorado: Roland Balch

Iowa State: Jack McGuire

Kansas: Chuck Edwards (student-coach)

Nebraska: Mollie Lepley

Oklahoma: Matt Mann

BIG 7 SWIMMING CHAMPIONSHIPS

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March 9 - 10, 1956

3:00 p.m.

Meet Officials

Referee and Starter - Dr. William Creswell

Dive Referee - Ralph Bibler

Announcer - Al Pettine

Clerk of Course - Dick Klaas

Head Judge - Lou Parker

Head Timer - Bill Rapp

Remaining Judges, Timers, Turn Judges -

Colorado University Faculty and Friends

Event Scoring

Individual Events 7-5-4-3-2-1

Free Relay 14-10-8-6-4-2

Medley Relay 12-9-7-5-3-1

P R E L I M I N A R I E S

Results of 1500 Meters Freestyle

65 Lengths, 46 feet, 2 plus inches

Pool Record:

Big 7 Record: Graham Johnston - Oklahoma - 18:48.9 - 1955

NCAA Record: Ford Konno - Ohio State - 18:14.4 - 1954

American Record: John Marshall - Yale - 18.10.8 - 1951

1	Peter Duncan	Oklahoma	21:04.4
2	Rick Rowland	Oklahoma	21:16.8
3	Harlow Rothert	Colorado	23:07.8
4	Carl Bodensteiner	Nebraska	23:18.8
5	Jim Crow	Oklahoma	23:26.8
6	John Ryder	Iowa State	23:36.7

POOL RECORD: First time for event in Colorado Pool.

50 Yards Freestyle - 2 Lengths

Pool Record: Gerard De Jong - Oklahoma - 23:9 - 1953

Big 7 Record: Bob Brown - Iowa State - 23.0 - 1952

NCAA Record: Henry Kozlowski - Northwestern - 22.1 - 1943

Dick Cleveland - Ohio State - 22.1 - 1954

Donald Hill - Michigan - 22.1 - 1954

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1	Maris	ISU	25.2
2	Stewart	ISU	24.3
3	Chocano	CU	26.5
4	Knudson	CU	26.5
5			

Heat 2

Lane:

1	Valleau	ISU	23.3
2			
3	Freudenthal	K	27.5
4	Haze	CU	25.0
5	Gaines	UNL	28.8

Heat 3

Lane:

1	Kehoe	OU	23.2
2	Holliday	KU	29.2
3	Milledge	KU	27.2
4	Buchanan	KU	26.7
5	Hill	UNL	25.7

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1	Maris	ISU
2	Stewart	ISU
3	Kehoe	OU
4	Valleau	ISU
5	Haze	CU

Heat 2

Lane:

1		
2	Chocano	CU
3	Hill	UNL
4	Knudson	CU
5		

200 Yards Backstroke - 8 Lengths

Pool Record: Loren Braught - Iowa State - 2:20.1 - 1955

Big 7 Record: Lin Meiring - Oklahoma - 2:11.1 - 1955

NCAA Record: Yoshi Oyakawa - Ohio State - 2:05.1 - 1953

American Record: Yoshi Oyakawa - Ohio State - 1953

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Thompson KU 2:40.8
2 Braught ISU 2:27.7
3 Schoer UNL 2:33.0
4 McCullen ISU 2:32.0
5 Allen CU 2:40.7

Heat 2

Lane:

1 Gleason ISU 2:37.1
2 Kreye KU 2:39.9
3 Coppick OU 2:38.6
4 Burton KU 2:35.1
5 Meiring OU 2:12.9 POOL RECORD

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Burton KU
2 McCullen ISU
3 Meiring OU
4 Braught ISU
5 Schoor UNL

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Kreye KU
3 Gleason ISU
4 Coppick OU
5

220 Yards Freestyle - 8 Lengths + 20 Yards

Pool Record: Graham Johnston - Oklahoma - 2:15.9 - 1953

Big 7 Record: Jim McKeivitt - Iowa State - 2:11.3 - 1955

NCAA Record: Jack Wardrup - Michigan - 2:04.2 - 1955

American Record: Ford Konno - Ohio State - 2:04.7 - 1954

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Poort KU 2:33.5
2 Dillman OU 2:26.4
3 Bodensteiner N 2:48.0
4
5 Duncan OU 2:17.3

Heat 2

Lane:

1 Milledge KU 2:45.8
2 McKeivitt ISU 2:16.2
3 Greenley CU 2:29.8
4 Ryder ISU 2:25.8
5 Kenagy UNL 2:34.7

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Greenley CU
2 Ryder ISU
3 McKeivitt ISU
4 Duncan OU
5 Dillman OU

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Milledge KU
3 Poort KU
4 Kenagy UNL
5

200 Yards Butterfly

Pool Record: Mike LaMair - Iowa State - 2:28.9 - 1953

Big 7 Record: Mike LaMair - Iowa State - 2:21.3 - 1955

NCAA Record: John Davies - Michigan - 2:12.9 - 1952

American Record: John Davies - Michigan - 2:32.9 - 1952

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Thorpe UNL DNF
2 Clevenger KU 2:51.8
3 Coppick OU 2:39.8
4 Minarik ISU 2:39.6
5

Heat 2

Lane:

1 McCullen ISU 2:39.4
2 Houchen UNL 2:40.3
3 Shom CU 3:26.8
4 Helmsdoerfer N 3:01.6
5 Thatcher OU 2:27.4 NEW POOL RECORD

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Houchen UNL
2 Minarik ISU
3 Thatcher OU
4 McCullen ISU
5 Coppick OU

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Shom CU
3 Clevenger KU
4 Helmsdoerfer UNL
5

1 Meter Diving

Divers:

1 Battenberg	OU	134.4
2 Browder	OU	124.35
3 Wassmith	ISU	155.85
4 Cotter	UNL	137.8
5 Hallum	CU	119.05
6 Gaines	UNL	120.55
7 DeJong	OU	146.7
8 Meyers	KU	73.6
9 Tagney	UNL	127.7
10 Matthews	KU	115.55

Total For 5 Dives:

DON'T FORGET THE FINALS IN THESE EVENTS WILL BE
HELD TONIGHT, MARCH 9, AT 8:30 P.M.

DON'T FORGET THE PRELIMINARIES AND FINALS TO BE
HELD IN SEVEN EVENTS TOMORROW AT 10:00 A.M.

AND 3:00 P.M.

100 Yards Breaststroke

Pool Record:

Big 7 Record: Lin Meiring - Oklahoma - :59.7 - 1955

NCAA Record: Yoshi Oyakawa - Ohio State - :56.9 - 1953

American Record: Yoshi Oyakawa - Ohio State - :55.7 - 1954

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Shorr UNL 1:10.4
2
3 Kreye KU 1:14.2
4 Holeman UNL 1:12.8
5 McCullen ISU 1:08.3

Heat 2

Lane:

1 Thompson KU 1:10.6
2 Gleason ISU 1:08.1
3
4 Allen CU 1:12.6
5 Braught ISU 1:03.4

Heat 3

Lane:

1
2 Meiring OU :59.2*
3 Shom CU 1:22.8
4 Burton KU 1:06.6
5 Crow OU 1:11.7

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 McCullen ISU
2 Burton KU
3 Meiring OU
4 Braught ISU
5 Gleason ISU

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Crow OU
3 Shorr UNL
4 Thompson KU
5

*Meiring's time is new Big
Seven record. He set old
record, :59.7, last year

200 Yards Breaststroke

Pool Record: Jerry Loar - Colorado U. - 2:37.9 - 1956

Big 7 Record: Bob Best - Iowa State - 2:33.2 - 1955

NCAA Record: Bob Mattson - N.C. State - 2:26.0 - 1955

American Record:

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Minarik ISU 2:37.3
2 Coppick OU 2:37.2
3 York CU 3:21.8
4 Thatcher OU 2:36.0
5 Houchen UNL 2:44.8

Heat 2

Lane:

1 Buchanan KU 3:08.7
2 Dyason OU 2:33.5
3 Loar CU 2:34.5
4 Lucas ISU 2:34.5
5 Helmsdoerfer N 2:58.8

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Coppick OU
2 Lucas ISU
3 Dyason OU
4 Loar CU
5 Thatcher OU

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Helmsdoerfer UNL
3 Minarik ISU
4 Houchen UNL
5

100 Yards Freestyle

Pool Record: Bob Brown - Iowa State - 52.3 - 1953

Big 7 Record: Jim McKeivitt - Iowa State - 52.0 - 1955

NCAA Record: Alan Ford - Yale - 49.7 - 1944

American Record: Dick Cleveland - Ohio State - 49.2 - 1954

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Stewart ISU :54.4
2 Knudson CU 1:00.4
3
4 Milledge KU 1:02.8
5 Farrell OU :52.5

Heat 2

Lane:

1 Valleau ISU :53.6
2 Freudenthal KU disq
3 Chocano CU :59.2
4
5 Kehoe OU

Heat 3

Lane:

1 McKeivitt ISU :52.0*
2 Maris ISU :59.3
3 Holliday KU 1:10.3
4
5 Kenagy UNL 1:00.4

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Stewart ISU
2 Kehoe OU
3 McKeivitt ISU
4 Farrell OU
5 Valleau ISU

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Kenagy UNL
3 Chocano CU
4 Maris ISU
5 Knudson CU

*McKeivitt's time ties
conference mark he set last
year

400 Yards Freestyle

Pool Record: Graham Johnson - Oklahoma - 4:59.0 - 1953

Big 7 Record: Peter Duncan - Oklahoma - 4:39.0 - 1955

NCAA Record: Ford Konno - Ohio State - 4:28.6 - 1954

American Record: John Marshall - Yale - 4:28.1 - 1951

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1
2 Dillman OU 5:25.5
3 Crow OU 5:49.6
4 Carter ISU Disq
5 Greenley CU 5:41.0

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Hill UNL 5:35.5
3 Ryder ISU 5:32.0
4 Hatch CU 5:58.8
5 Rowland OU 5:21.4

Heat 3

Lane:

1 Rothert CU 5:37.5
2 Duncan OU 5:08.7
3 Bodensteiner N 5:52.2
4
5

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Hill UNL
2 Dillman OU
3 Duncan OU
4 Rowland OU
5 Ryder ISU

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Crow OU
3 Rothert CU
4 Greenley CU
5

200 Yards Individual Medley

Pool Record: Chuck Edwards - Kansas - 1956

Big 7 Record: New Event

NCAA Record: New Event

American Record: New Event

Preliminaries

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Thatcher OU 2:25.7
2 Dyason OU 2:23.7
3 Braught ISU 2:29.1
4 Holeman UNL 3:17.8
5

Heat 2

Lane:

1 Thorpe UNL Scratch - injured
2 Edwards KU 2:26.7
3 Loar CU 2:25.6
4 Hatch CU 2:56.0
5 Lucas ISU 2:22.8

Finals

Heat 1

Lane:

1 Edwards KU
2 Loar CU
3 Lucas ISU
4 Dyason OU
5 Thatcher OU

Heat 2

Lane:

1
2 Holeman UNL
3 Braught ISU
4 Hatch CU

300 Yards Medley Relay (FINAL)

Lane:

1 Colorado (Allen, Loar, Haze) - Hallum and York, alternates
2 Oklahoma (Meiring, Dyason, Farrell)
3 Iowa State (Gleason, Minerik, Carter) - Wasamith, alternate
4 Kansas (Thompson, Clevenger, Edwards) - Kraye, alternate
5 Nebraska (Shorr, Houchen, Kagney) - Gaines, alternate

F I N A L S

RESULTS

Friday Night Final Events

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1500 Meters Freestyle

1. Peter Duncan	Oklahoma	21:04.4*
2. Rick Rowland	Oklahoma	
3. Harlow Rotherth	Colorado	
4. Carl Bodensteiner	Nebraska	
5. Jim Crow	Oklahoma	
6. John Ryder	Iowa State	
*NEW POOL RECORD; first time for event		

50 Yards Freestyle

1. Tom Kehoe	Oklahoma	:23.3
2. Sandy Stewart	Iowa State	
3. Jim Valleau	Iowa State	
4. Bill Haze	Colorado	
5. Al Maris	Iowa State	
6. Dick Hill	Nebraska	

200 Yards Backstroke

1. Lin Meiring	Oklahoma	2:17.3
2. Loran Braught	Iowa State	
3. Maurie McCullen	Iowa State	
4. Paul Schoor	Nebraska	
5. Don Burton	Kansas	
6. Dick Gleason	Iowa State	

220 Yards Freestyle

1. Peter Duncan	Oklahoma	2:09.8*
2. Jim McKevitt	Iowa State	
3. Lyle Dillman	Oklahoma	
4. John Ryder	Iowa State	
5. Gordon Greenley	Colorado	
6. Wyman Kenagy	Nebraska	
*NEW BIG 7 CONFERENCE RECORD; old record 2:11.3 by McKevitt (ISU) 1955		
NEW POOL RECORD; old record 2:14.5, by Tom Kehoe (OU), 1956		

200 Yards Butterfly

1. Dick Thatcher	Oklahoma	2:22.5*
2. Roger Coppick	Oklahoma	
3. Ron Minarik	Iowa State	
4. Maurie McCullen	Iowa State	
5. Tom Houchen	Nebraska	
6. Tom Clevenger	Kansas	
*NEW POOL RECORD; old record 2:28.9 by Mike LaMair (ISU), 1953		

400 Yards Freestyle Relay

1. Iowa State 3:29.5*
(Jim Valleau, Dale Lucas, Jim McKevitt, Sandy Stewart)
2. Oklahoma
3. Kansas
4. Colorado
5. Nebraska

*NEW BIG 7 CONFERENCE RECORD; old record 3:36.6 by Iowa State, 1952

*NEW POOL RECORD; old record 3:31.7 by Oklahoma, 1956

(End Finals...First Day)

1 Meter Diving Qualifiers

- | | | |
|--------------------|------------|--------|
| 1. Ernst DeJong | Oklahoma | 229.8 |
| 2. Gene Cotter | Nebraska | 228.65 |
| 3. Dale Wassmuth | Iowa State | 222.95 |
| 4. Bill Tagney | Nebraska | 212.1 |
| 5. Tom Browder | Oklahoma | 199.85 |
| 6. Bill Hallum | Colorado | 194.6 |
| 7. Paul Battenberg | Oklahoma | 188.75 |
| 8. Steve Gaines | Nebraska | 183.7 |

TEAM STANDINGS AFTER SIX EVENTS

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|---------------|----|
| 1. Oklahoma | 61 |
| 2. Iowa State | 51 |
| 3. Colorado | 15 |
| 4. Nebraska | 14 |
| 5. Kansas | 11 |

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100 Yards Backstroke

1. Lin Meiring	Oklahoma	1:00.0
2. Loran Braught	Iowa State	
3. Don Burton	Kansas	
4. Maurie McCullen	Iowa State	
5. Dick Gleason	Iowa State	
6. Pete Thompson	Kansas	

*Meiring set new conference record of :59.2 in prelims. Old record :59.7 by Meiring, 1955

200 Yards Breaststroke

1. Jerry Loar	Colorado	2:31.8*
2. Julian Dyason	Oklahoma	
3. Dale Lucas	Iowa State	
4. Dick Thatcher	Oklahoma	
5. Roger Coppick	Oklahoma	
6. Ron Minarick	Iowa State	

*NEW CONFERENCE RECORD; old record 2:33.2 by Bob Best (ISU), 1955

100 Yards Freestyle

1. Jeff Farrell	Oklahoma	:51.2*
2. Jim McKevitt	Iowa State	
3. Jim Valleau	Iowa State	
4. Tom Kehoe	Oklahoma	
5. Sandy Stewart	Iowa State	
6. Wyman Kenagy	Nebraska	

*NEW CONFERENCE RECORD; old record :52.0 by McKevitt (ISU), prelims

440 Yards Freestyle

1. Peter Duncan	Oklahoma	4:51.5
2. Rick Rowland	Oklahoma	
3. Lyle Dillman	Oklahoma	
4. John Ryder	Iowa State	
5. Dick Hill	Nebraska	
6. Gordon Greenley	Colorado	

200 Yards Individual Medley

1. Dale Lucas	Iowa State	2:21.2*
2. Dick Thatcher	Oklahoma	
3. Julian Dyason	Oklahoma	
4. Jerry Loar	Colorado	
5. Chuck Edwards	Kansas	
6. Loran Braught	Iowa State	

*NEW CONFERENCE RECORD; first time for event

1 Meter Fancy Diving

1. Gene Cotter	Nebraska	439.9
2. Dale Wassmuth	Iowa State	432.8
3. Ernst DeJong	Oklahoma	412.1
4. Bill Tagney	Nebraska	391.25
5. Bill Hallum	Colorado	367.7
6. Tom Browder	Oklahoma	356.35

300 Yards Medley Relay

1. Oklahoma 2:54.9

(Lin Meiring, Julian Dyason, Jeff Farrell)

2. Iowa State

3. Kansas

4. Nebraska

5. Colorado

*NEW CONFERENCE RECORD; old record 2:55.0 by Oklahoma, 1955

Final Team Standings (Official):

1. Oklahoma.....130

2. Iowa State.....102

3. Nebraska.....32

4. Colorado.....31

5. Kansas.....35

Missouri and Kansas State do not compete.