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SPORTS

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Making a good start better drives Gophers

The team is 12-2 as it returns to conference play...

The Gophers women's basketball team started the season winning seven consecutive games...

North Carolina in their 88-83 loss and one possession in the 77-69 loss at San Diego earlier this month.

The Gophers (12-2, 1-0 Big Ten) will look to keep the momentum rolling as they host Nebraska (9-5, 0-1) in their Big Ten home opener at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Stollings has seen growth and maturity while her play has improved in many ways. "We're young and youthful in a lot of ways," she said.

Wagner said she learned a lot from the past season, and Stollings has worked with her on "not being a roller coaster."

U WOMEN'S GAMEDAY

2 p.m. vs. Nebraska - the TV, p. 8 B3M

Improved Huskers are next

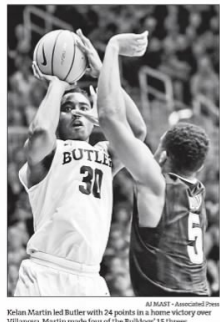
Both teams began Big Ten play on Thursday. Nebraska (9-5, 0-1) has two games with 75.41 loss at home to No. 12 Ohio State...

Top-ranked Villanova suffers its first loss

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The defense needs to improve dramatically if the Wildcats want to be the nation's best team.



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ROUNDUP

Tough day all around for the last of the unbeaten

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Stoutend freshman Tom Young scored 39 points, including the tiebreaking free throw with 29 seconds left, and had 14 assists as No. 10 Oklahoma defeated No. 12 UC19 90-89 on Saturday in Fort Worth, Texas.

The Horned Frogs (12-4, 0-1 Big Ten) had won 17 games in a row, the nation's longest winning streak. They had scored one of three remaining undefeated teams in Division I.

No. 4 Duke 100, No. 24 Florida State 99. Marvin Bagley III had 22 points and a season-best 21 rebounds, and scored 33 points and backcourt jumper for the Seminoles (12-2, 0-3).

No. 17 Arizona 86, No. 3 Arizona State 76. Dominic Ayton had 23 points and 19 rebounds to lead the Wildcats (11-3, 1-0 Pac-12) past the Sun Devils (12-1, 0-1) in one of the most anticipated matchups in the rivalry's history.

No. 8 Wichita State 72, Oklahoma 62. The visiting Shockers (7-10, 1-1) had 13 three-pointers on ice home floor last weekend at the Athletic Center.

No. 13 North Carolina 71, Wake Forest 69. Joel Berry II hit a buzzer-beating shot to lead the Tar Heels (12-2, 1-0 ACC) to the eighth straight win.

ROBSON GETS FIRST VICTORY

Next Saturday 6:30 p.m. at St. Cloud State (CBCSN)

Robson gets first victory as Gophers sweep Army

Sophomore goalie Matt Robson got his first victory as the No. 10 Gophers beat Army 4-1 on Saturday night to sweep a nonconference men's hockey series at St. Cloud State.

Robson, a sophomore from Massachusetts, made his second start in goal for Minnesota (12-9-1) since becoming eligible this month — he lost a 4-1 Ohio State on Dec. 9.

STANDINGS AND RESULTS

Table with columns for conference, team, W, L, T, GP, GF, GA, PCT. Includes sections for Big Ten, WCHA, and Hockey East.

ROUNDUP

No. 1 SCRU, Princeton tie for second game in a row

For the second consecutive night, No. 18, St. Cloud State and unranked Princeton tied in a nonconference men's hockey game at the Tiger arena.

This time the score was 2-2. Jacob Benson's power-play goal tied the Hawks (12-2-3) tied the score for a second time Saturday at 12 minutes, 38 seconds of the third period.

Big Ten

Michigan State 4, Michigan 2. Matthew Weis had two power-play goals to lead the host Beavers over the Purple Eagles.

WCHA No. 7 MSU 4, Michigan 2. Matthew Weis had two power-play goals and an assist as the Mavericks beat the visiting Wildcats.

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