

IM update

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The intramural swimming deadline is Friday, March 31 at 4:00. Entries, names and Social Security numbers, are to be turned in at the IM office. Events can be chosen at sign-up.

The entry fee is \$1.00 and that can be charged to students' accounts. Each event entered will have a minimum charge of \$2.00 to a maximum of \$4.00. Faculty and staff must pay at the time of entry.

There are two divisions, individual and team. The individual division includes men's, women's and coed categories. Swimmers in the individual division may enter as many events as they wish.

Teams will be made of at least six people, co-ed teams must have three men and three women. Team swimmers may participate in only three of five individual events. Points will be awarded in each event to the top 12 finishers.

Point system teams may enter up to five individual events and four relay teams in each relay event. However, each person may swim only in three of the five individual events and both relay events. Points will be awarded in each event to the top 12 finishers. The coed relays will not be a part of the point system team events.

Events include 50-yard free style, 50-yard breaststroke, 50-yard butterfly, 50-yard

backstroke, 400-yard free-style, 200-yard medley relay (back, breast, butterfly, free), 100 freestyle relay, 200-yard coed freestyle relay, and the 200-yard coed medley relay (back, breast, butterfly, free).

The deadline for intramural modified softball is Friday, March 31, at 4:00. Entry forms are available in the IM office and from the IM board. Entries will be taken in the IM office.

The entry fee is \$2.00 and that can be charged to students' accounts. Faculty and staff must submit \$2.00 at the time of entry.

Divisions include men's, women's, and coed. Teams are allowed only two ex-varsity players and current baseball or softball players are ineligible. As for point system teams, fraternities may enter two teams to earn points. Residence hall participants and independents may enter one team to earn points.

The type of tournament will be a round robin. Top two teams from each league will advance to a single elimination championship bracket.

Games will be played Monday thru Thursday beginning at 4:30. Sundays will be used if the number of entries demands it. ASA, Collegiate, and IM rules will be used and copies of the rules are available in the IM office.

League play will begin Tuesday, April 4. Questions, contact Rob Wittman in the IM office at ext. #6280.

Women's tourney

by Julie Stocker
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Don't you hate when teams miss foul shots? The distance never changes, the hoop doesn't move, and no one is playing defense except the four thousand screaming fans. Foul shots can mess up a whole game and mess up the whole season. Just like teams live and die by the three-pointer, teams can live and die at the charity stripe.

In the mist of upsets and missed foul shots in the NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Championship, there is another group of Sweet Sixteen teams that has been established. These teams are in the *other* locker room.

The 1994-95 NCAA Division I Women's Basketball Tournament is quietly underway. Although it doesn't house the upsets and overtime totals that the men have achieved, the women's tournament still managed to serve up five first round upsets, one second round upset, and five overtime games through Monday.

Leading the way for game of the tourney so far is fourth seed Alabama against fifth seed Duke. With 241 points scored in this contest through four overtime periods, the Tide finally prevailed with a 121-120 victory in the East.

Picking up the only upset in the second round of action was N.C. State (21-9) over our beloved Lady Lions of Penn

State, 76-74.

The Lady Lions (26-5) were led by Angie Potthoff with 21 points, and N.C. State got the victory as Tammy Gibson broke the tie with 2.4 seconds left.

So my question is: Who's going to win this darn thing?

In my opinion, the number one seeds in each of the four brackets will be in Minneapolis for the Final Four. The list includes 29-2 Tennessee, 27-2 Colorado, 26-6 Vanderbilt, and the undefeated future champions: the 29-0 Connecticut Huskies.

You want to know why? I'll tell you why in two words: Rebecca Lobo.

The 6'4" 180-pound Lobo has been tagged as the one to win women's player of the year honors. With her averages of 17.3 points, 10.3 rebounds, 3.4 blocks, and 3.8 assists for the year, she will be the one to lead her Huskies to their first ever NCAA Championship.

If you would please remember a time of a few weeks ago when both the men and the women UCONN teams were ranked the nations best. And now only one remains, and that one will end the season with 32 wins, and not a single loss.

As for the other notables in the tournament...

The University of North Carolina, a third seed in the west and the defending national champion, has my nod for an upset against second ranked

Stanford. The defense will have to be in full force for this to happen, however, because the Cardinal have won each game in the tournament by at least 20 points. But don't have fear, Heel fans, Carolina's got Charlotte Smith, the woman who can control the glass and slam given the open court.

As for Texas Tech in the mid-east- watch out Tennessee. With an easy win over Washington, Tech will give the Volunteers a run for their worth for consideration into the Final Four. And at 30-3, their consideration can't be overlooked.

As for Georgia, this third seeded team can easily beat N.C. State for entrance into the Elite Eight, and give Colorado a game for much of the first half, but then lose it in the second half.

We can't forget about Purdue! The Boilermakers have had their way in the tournament thus far, and can move into the Elite Eight with a victory against Vanderbilt. Impossible, you say? Well, I thought it was impossible for the Purdue men to lose to Memphis or to even lose before the Final Four, so I'll take this long shot, too.

The Final Four in the men's tournament is the hardest American ticket to get a hold of. It's March Madness time, and this year's women's tournament cannot be overlooked.

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