

Scharsu's 6th place leads Lions at NCAAs

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In perhaps his best performance of the season, Penn State's Alan Scharsu was the top American runner at the NCAA Cross Country Championships in November at Wichita State University in Kansas, placing sixth out of 191 finishers.

Scharsu was clocked at 29:20.5, arriving two seconds ahead of defending champion Suleiman Nyambui of the University of Texas El Paso (29:32.6). Scharsu also prevented UTEP, which took first place with an incredibly low point total of 17, from coming up with a perfect team score of 15.

Head Scharsu had not been able to out-kick Nyambui and Gidamis Shihang in the final stretch, the first five runners in team competition would have all been UTEP runners.

Penn State coach Harry Groves expressed pleasure at Scharsu's showing, in light of his fourth-place finish (30:05.9) at the NCAA District 2 qualifiers (in which the Lions took first place) a week before nationals.

"Scharsu did far better at the NCAAs than he did at districts," Groves said. "The guys who finished ahead of him at districts are the ones who he observed when he went up against them at nationals."

"There's no question about it. He ran a super race."

The team, however, was not as fortunate, as Penn State placed 14th in a 24-team field at Wichita, which, of course, is not a bad performance in itself, but Penn State, rated ninth in the Nov. 10 coaches poll by Harrier

Magazine, was expected by many, including Groves, to place higher.

"We should have had eighth or ninth place on a bad day," Groves said, "and on a good day, we could have placed as high as fifth."

In that case, it must have been a horrible day for the Lions, and the statistics seem to sufficient proof.

Despite Scharsu's sixth-place showing, Penn State had a team score of 375, and Barry Enright, who finished 84th among the teams competing and 94th overall, was the second Lion to complete the race.

It was the first time this season Enright finished second among Lion runners, and Groves was more than satisfied with his performance, as well as the performances of Scharsu and Gary Black (79th team, 106th overall). Nevertheless, Groves' evaluation of the team showing displayed a definite lack of satisfaction.

"Scharsu was excellent, and Enright and Black ran a pretty good race, but the rest of the runners went down the tubes," Groves said. "It was the first time it happened this season, and it shows that our guys may have some learning to do in order to be good distance runners."

Sophomore Dwight Stephens, the Lions No. 2 runner, turned in his most disappointing showing of the year (31:41.8, 104th team, 137th overall) following a strong eighth-place finish (30:19.0) at districts. Brad Albouse (32:09.8, 124th team, 160th overall) came in fifth among Lion runners at Wichita.

Rick Garcia, very impressive at districts (13th place, 30:40.0), did not finish the Wichita race, while Jeff Adams, who got off to a good start early in the season but has struggled since, came in 175th.

"We had an outstanding team effort at districts, with a 49-second spread for our one-through-five men, and a 49-second split for our one-through-six men," Groves said. "If we had done the same thing in Wichita, we might have placed in the top five."

This may be true, but even if Lions had matched their performance at districts, they would not have been able to unseat UTEP, the defending champions.

Even Providence, a team which manhandled Penn State earlier in the season, did not come close to the Miners. The Friars finished a very distant second (189 points) and failed to place a runner in the top 10; their highest finisher was Redmond Tracey (11th).

The individual champion was Mathews Motshwarau of UTEP (28:45.6), who was followed by Michael Musyoki of UTEP (28:46.4) and UTEP's Gabriel Kanan (29:19.3) was third.

Mark Scruton of Colorado (29:22.1) and Graeme Fell of San Diego State (29:30.4), two English runners, came in fourth and fifth respectively. Both Scruton and Fell, however, were competing as individuals and were not involved in the team scoring.

Rounding out the top 10 runners were Scharsu, Nyambui, Shihang, David Taylor of Arkansas (29:35.6) and Richard Tawal of Washington State (29:36.7).

After 5 1/2 years, Frazier returns

CHICAGO (AP) — Smokin' Joe Frazier returns to the ring tonight for the first time in nearly 5 1/2 years and about six weeks before his 36th birthday.

The former heavyweight champion, who fought Muhammad Ali in three fights rich in gold and glory, will fight a scheduled 10-rounder for \$85,000 against 30-year-old Floyd "Jumbo" Cummings, who became a pro fighter June 18, 1979, after serving 12 years in prison on a murder conviction.

There will be no television in the United States for the fight which will be held at the 10,000-seat International Amphitheater eight days before Muhammad Ali — who will be 40 on Jan. 17, five days after Frazier is 38 — is scheduled to fight Trevor Berbick at Nassau, Bahamas.

"It's over Joe Frazier, it's over," Cummings shouted yesterday at the weigh-in for the media.

"I will beat you, just like one of my boys," said Frazier, who has two sons, one of whom, 21-year-old Marvis, is fighting professionally. "You will sit down, obey and listen — you will listen."

The 6-2 Cummings, who has a 17-1 record, weighed 228 1/2, but he was out-jumped by Frazier, who came in at 229 1/2. Frazier, who is listed at 6-0 but



Former heavyweight champ Joe Frazier (right) jaws with Jumbo Cummings (left) in a weigh-in yesterday in Chicago.

Valenzuela named NL Rookie of the Year

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Los Angeles Dodgers, who have been celebrating for five weeks now, threw another party yesterday. A 10-piece mariachi band showed up to join in the festivities at Dodger Stadium.

The latest get-together was really a glorified press conference called because it was announced earlier in the day that Fernando Valenzuela, the Dodgers' young pitching sensation, had been selected as the National League Rookie of the Year.

Valenzuela, who turned 21 on Nov. 4, four days after the Dodgers won their

first World Series in 16 years by beating the New York Yankees, is the first player to capture the Cy Young Award and Rookie of the Year honors in the same year.

"I would like to thank members of the press for voting me the Rookie of the Year Award," said Valenzuela through interpreter Jaime Jarrin. "It is a great honor to have won these two awards."

The chunky left-hander from Sonora, Mexico, whose knowledge of English is limited, received 17 1/2 first-place votes, 6 1/2 for second for 107 points. Montreal outfielder Tim Lincecum got the remain-

ing first place votes (6 1/2) and second-place ballots (17 1/2) for 85 points. Only five other players received votes, and those were for third place.

The balloting was done by a panel of two members of the Baseball Writers Association of America from each NL city. Five points were awarded for each first-place vote, three for second and one for third.

"I was very much surprised at the voting," said Valenzuela. "I thought it would be a very close race. Tim Raines is an excellent player with great speed."

Raines hit .304 and stole 71 bases.

Jabbar sets sights on scoring record

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Kareem Abdul-Jabbar has gone from the fourth-leading scorer in NBA history to No. 2 in a hurry. But if he's to reach the top, it's going to take quite a while longer.

"I'm very fortunate to have had the kind of career I've had, with so many highlights," Abdul-Jabbar said after passing Oscar Robertson on the all-time NBA scoring list Tuesday night. "This is another. It's a relief now that it's over."

The Los Angeles Lakers' center entered Tuesday night's game against the Utah Jazz needing seven points to move into the No. 2 spot. He got his sixth and seventh points on a short left-handed hook shot with 3:54 remaining in the first quarter.

The game then was stopped and the crowd of 11,284 at the Forum gave him a 45-second standing ovation.

The 13-year NBA veteran had 14 points in the game, won by the Lakers 117-96, giving him a total of 28,718 points. Robertson finished his outstanding career with 26,710 points in 14 seasons.

Earlier this season, Abdul-Jabbar passed John Havlicek to move into third place.

Will Chamberlain is the NBA's all-time leading scorer 31,419 points. Will Abdul-Jabbar, who is 34, play long enough to pass Chamberlain?

"I'm not going to stick around just to try to top Will's record," said the former UCLA star. "I'm more concerned with



Pittsburgh football coach Jackie Sherrill inspected the Panthers' training site in Biloxi, Miss., yesterday, and said Georgia will be a tough opponent for his team to regain some of its prestige lost against Penn State.

Pitt's Sherrill surprised as Panthers slip to 10th

By AUSTIN WILSON
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NEW ORLEANS (AP) — Coach Jackie Sherrill checked out training facilities for his University of Pittsburgh team yesterday, making sure everything is right for the Sugar Bowl date with 2nd-ranked Georgia.

He flew into Biloxi, Miss., where his team will set up training camp on Dec. 16, then drove the 80 miles to New Orleans, where final preparations for the Jan. 1 bowl game will begin on Christmas Day.

He said his team's 48-14 loss to Penn State on Saturday toppled Pittsburgh farther down the polls than he expected. Pittsburgh, ranked No. 1 before the loss, fell to No. 10 in this week's poll.

"If you're going to lose, you'd better lose early," he said yesterday. "I thought possibly seventh or eighth. Possibly, we'll be back."

But he said it was a remote possibility. Probably, the top spot this year is lost to his team for good, he said.

"Realistically, honestly, a lot of things would have to happen," he said.

"It appears the four teams in the running for No. 1 are Clemson, Georgia, Alabama and Nebraska."

Clemson faces Nebraska in the Orange Bowl and Alabama says Texas in the Cotton Bowl. Both games will be played New Year's Day.

Sherrill said Georgia, ranked No. 2, will be a formidable obstacle in his team's bid to regain lost prestige.

"The difference in Georgia this year and last year is that they have an outstanding defense this year," he said.

He said Georgia, the defending national champion, will benefit from having played in the Sugar Bowl last year.

"It's like the first time you've had breakfast at a restaurant. The next time you go back, you know what to order," he said.

And then there's Herschel Walker, the powerful running back who leads the Georgia attack. Only a sophomore, Walker is second in the nation in rushing to Southern Cal's tailback Marcus Allen.

Mickey Holmes, executive director of the Sugar Bowl, said he wasn't disappointed by the fact that for the first time in four years, the top-ranked team in the nation will play elsewhere on New Year's Day.

"That's just one of those things," Holmes said.

"We've had the national champion three years in a row, four of the last five. "We've still got a game this year — for the fourth year in a row — with championship implications."

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