

LB Mauti likely out for Indiana



Paterno speaks at his weekly press conference.

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Joe Paterno wasn't even one minute into his weekly press conference when he began fielding questions about the health of linebacker Mike Mauti.

Paterno shook his head side to side and said he doesn't think Mauti will be able to play Saturday against Indiana.

"I think Mauti's out," Paterno said. "He's had trouble with that so I doubt that he'll make it."

FOOTBALL

The redshirt sophomore sustained a right shoulder injury and missed the second half of the game against Ohio State but appears to be the only player who came out of the game with an injury that could sideline him.

As for Mauti's replacement, Paterno's list was a bit lengthy.

"There's [Nate] Stupar, there's [Khairi] Fortt, there's a couple of other kids who can play on the outside where Mauti has been playing," Paterno said. "[Chris] Colasanti, when he's healthy, has played well inside."

As for the rest of the injuries, running

back Stephon Green, who suffered a head injury in the game, should be OK, Paterno said.

Green will be practicing in a jersey with a green cross on it, meaning players need to be aware of hitting him.

Green, along with running back Evan Royster, who missed time against Ohio State, both should be fine.

McGloin at the helm

Though his second-half performance showed his inexperience, Matt McGloin See PATERNO, Page 10.

Lions host OSU

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If this year's Big Ten season was a race, the No. 7 Penn State women's volleyball team is sprinting to the finish.

Having maneuvered their way through the pack, the Nittany Lions (23-4, 13-3 Big Ten) now have a clear view of the finish line.

The first hurdle standing in Penn State's way is Ohio State (20-9, 8-8). The two teams play at 7 tonight in a mid-week match at Rec Hall — just four days after the Lions moved into a tie for first place in the Big Ten with No. 9 Illinois.

Senior middle hitter Fatima Balza said the team is ready to use its performance against the Illini as a springboard for the final stretch of conference play.

"It was a really great match for us. It gave us more confidence," Balza said of the sweep of Illinois. "Right now, we know we have to keep it up and keep playing better every single time."

The Ohio State team that enters Rec Hall tonight has a core of veteran players, which Penn State coach Russ Rose believes to be a strength of the Buckeyes. Rose said Ohio State has strong outside hitters, led by senior Katie Dull, who leads the team with 355 kills.

One of the Buckeyes' key contributors is sophomore outside See WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL, Page 10.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL



Rose



Junior guard Cammeron Woodyard (right) fends off a St. Joseph's defender during the Lions' 66-57 win vs. the Hawks Tuesday night.

Defense propels Lions in win

By Emily Kaplan
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With less than six minutes to go in the game, and the shot clock dwindling down to zero, senior D.J. Jackson stood well beyond the arc and released a shot.

The ball circled the rim for a few seconds, but didn't fall in. The 5,846 in attendance at the Bryce Jordan Center let out a collective sigh — but Jackson didn't hesitate. He simply backpedaled down the court, ready to play more defense.

It was just that kind of night for the Nittany Lions' offense, especially from three-point range.

The Penn State men's basketball team (2-0) defeated St. Joseph's 66-57 Tuesday night at the Bryce Jordan Center, but the Lions weren't too pleased with

their offensive effort. Their defensive performance, however, was what coach Ed DeChellis and players pointed to as the difference in the game.

"You may not hit shots," said senior co-captain Talor Battle, who scored 15 points but was 0-for-6 from three-point range. "The first two halves of the season, we haven't hit any shots really from perimeter. But if we defend, we still have opportunity to win the game."

Penn State finished the game shooting an unsightly 36.4 percent from the field, including 4.8 percent on three's.

Senior Jeff Brooks, who led the Lions with 18 points and nine rebounds, said he couldn't figure See PATERNO, Page 10.

MEN'S BASKETBALL

Struggling Lions' offense relies on Brooks in victory

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Ed DeChellis was upset at Jeff Brooks and the rest of the seniors for not bringing enough energy in Penn State's season opener.

Energy wasn't an issue for Brooks on Tuesday night.

With Talor Battle struggling to score, it was Brooks' aggression that carried the Penn State men's basketball team to a 66-57 win against St. Joseph's at the Bryce Jordan Center.

It was clear Brooks took heed of his coach's message.

Following a steal by Battle, Brooks took flight down the court and caught Battle's pass in stride. Brooks took two steps, rose,



Brooks (left) slams one down.

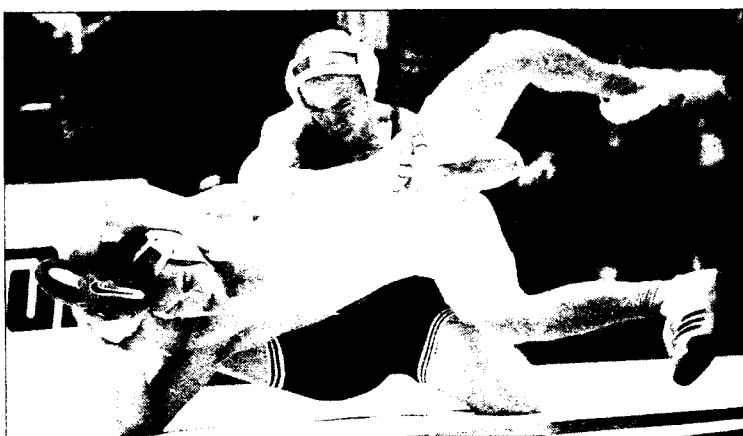
reared back and slammed the ball down with one hand. He came down, flexed his arms and gave See BROOKS, Page 10.

If you go

Women's basketball vs. Ohio State

When: 7 p.m.

Where: Rec Hall



Sophomore James English (behind) takes down a Lehigh wrestler.

Molinaro hoping for return

By Brandt Gelman
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This weekend, Frank Molinaro experienced something he had never dealt with in his collegiate career — sitting out a match.

Molinaro suffered a broken ankle during the offseason, and has been working tirelessly to get back into action, being forced to watch Penn State's wrestling

team open its season with wins over Bloomsburg and Lehigh.

"I talked to the coaches and we are going to get me into the best shape as we can for [this] weekend," Molinaro said. "I am already ahead of schedule, I just want to get back out there."

Molinaro said sitting out of matches is something he does not take lightly. As a freshman, Molinaro contracted mononucleosis but still wrestled in the team's next match. While the Nittany

Lions have missed Molinaro on the mat, redshirt sophomore James English has done well filling in.

At last Friday's match against Bloomsburg, English beat See MOLINARO, Page 10.

For an update on the wrestling team's rankings, check out the Collegian's Back Points blog: psu.collegian.com

Naim matures as sophomore

Being chased around relentlessly for 90 minutes — getting pushed, taking a few wayward elbows, having your jersey pulled to stop you from running and getting kicked in the shins and ankles is more than enough to irritate anybody.

For Christine Naim, it's just obstacles the sophomore midfielder has to deal with. But Naim admits all the extra attention that comes with being man-marked still gets on her nerves at times.

"It gets under my skin a little bit, but the more they focus on me, the less they're focusing on the rest of our team," Naim said. "Our team is doing very well with handling adversity..."

To read the rest of Andrew Robinson's story, check out psu.collegian.com

Owens out of line in Tweet

NFL wide receiver Terrell Owens — popularly known as one half of the infamous "T.Ocho" duo — took yet another shot at former teammate Donovan McNabb on Monday night, questioning in a Tweet whether or not McNabb deserved the contract extension he received.

But like always, McNabb took the higher road when answering to the popcorn machine's jab.

"It's funny he's worried about what I'm doing, when what are they, 2-6?"

Indeed, why isn't Owens worried about the atrocious play of his quarterback, the underperforming Carson Palmer?

Oh, and the Bengals are 2-7, too.

Marlins trade 2B Uggla

Power-hitting second baseman Dan Uggla was dealt from the Florida Marlins to the Atlanta Braves on Tuesday for infielder Omar Infante and left-hander Mike Dunn in the first trade of the general managers' meetings.

A two-time All-Star, Uggla hit .287 with 33 homers and 105 RBIs last season and had been discussing a possible contract extension with Florida. He made \$7.8 million this year, is eligible for salary arbitration and can become a free agent after next season.

"We're satisfied he's here for one year," Braves general manager Frank Wren said. "He's a kind of guy we'd like to make long-term."

NHL
Pittsburgh vs. Vancouver
7 p.m., FSN

Q: Before Roy Halladay, who was the last Philadelphia Phillie to win the Cy Young?
Monday's answer: New Pittsburgh Pirates manager Clint Hurdle's career managerial record is 534-625.