

SPORTS



SUPER BOWL LVII



Kansas City Chiefs running back Isiah Pacheco (10) runs against Philadelphia Eagles safety Marcus Epps (22) during the first half of the Super Bowl last night in Glendale, Ariz. **More photos, 3B.** (Associated Press)

SIDELINE

COLLEGE WRESTLING

Iowa State armbars Illinois, 21-13

AMES — No. 3 Iowa State closed its home dual season with a non-conference win over No. 20 Illinois, 21-13, on Sunday in front of 8,757 fans at Hilton Coliseum.

The Cyclones were 6-0 at home this season, and have won 29 of their last 31 duals inside Hilton, the only losses to No. 1 Penn State and No. 2 Iowa.

Iowa State (16-2) won six matches against Illinois (6-7). David Carr (165) got bonus points with a major decision over Anthony Federico, 16-2, and Marcus Coleman (184) recorded a technical fall over Dylan Connell, 21-4.

The dual was held side-by-side with Iowa State women's gymnastics, who lost 194.800 to 195.600 to Central Michigan, as part of "Beauty and the Beast."

ISU wrestling faces No. 11 Missouri on Wednesday night in Columbia, Mo.

WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Panthers move into tie for MVC lead

VALPARAISO, Ind. — Northern Iowa beat Valparaiso 83-60 on Sunday at the Athletics-Recreation Center to move into a first-place tie atop the Missouri Valley Conference. Maya McDermott had 19 points and seven assists and Grace Boffeli added 15 points and 11 rebounds.

UNI (17-6, 12-2) faces MVC co-leader Illinois State at 6 p.m. Thursday in McLeod Center.

IOWA FOOTBALL

Hawks pick up legacy recruit

The Hawkeyes got a verbal commitment from Texas defensive back Amare Bickham on Sunday. He is coming in as a preferred walk on.

Amare is the son of former Hawkeye defensive tackle Lloyd Bickham, who played for Hayden Fry in the 1990s. He is from Fulshear, Texas.

COLLEGE SOFTBALL

Hawkeyes go 4-1 on first road trip

BOCA RATON, Fla. — Iowa finished 4-1 on its season-opening road trip with a 5-0 victory over Stony Brook on Sunday at the FAU Paradise Classic.

The Hawkeyes earned wins over Loyola, Bethune Cookman and No. 23 Mississippi State before falling to the host school, Florida Atlantic, in extra innings.

Against Stony Brook, senior Breanna Vasquez pitched six shutout innings, allowing just one hit and striking out six. Iowa had 13 hits, with three by Echo Mattiello, a freshman from Mesa, Ariz.

Up next is the Big Ten/ACC Challenge this weekend in Raleigh, N.C.

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IOWA MEN'S BASKETBALL

Defense, rebounding win the day

Hawkeyes struggled shooting, but did enough to trap the Gophers, 68-56

By Nathan Ford, The Gazette

MINNEAPOLIS — Iowa dealt with the extremes of this Big Ten men's basketball season in the last four days.

Sunday's trip to the conference's cellar was less hostile than Thursday's Mackey Arena adventure, but by no means comfortable.

Instead of shooting their way past last-place Minnesota (7-16, 1-12 Big Ten), the Hawkeyes relied on defense and rebounding. Iowa (16-9, 8-6) accomplished the feat, leaving Williams Arena with a 68-56 win and remaining one of eight teams with five or six league losses behind first-place Purdue.

Connor McCaffery's postgame assessment of the box score: "It was a weird game.

"We were missing layups. I don't know if I've ever seen a box score where we shot (72) shots and they only attempted 46. That's unreal. That's what we needed to do."

Iowa grabbed 17 offensive rebounds



Iowa forward Kris Murray (top) vies for the ball with Minnesota guard Jaden Henley on Sunday in Minneapolis. Iowa won, 68-56. (Associated Press)

and scored 15 second-chance points. It limited the Golden Gophers to two and two in those categories. The story

was told on one second-half possession,

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL



Iowa's Caitlin Clark (22) celebrates with teammates Monika Czinano (left) and Hannah Stuelke (right) after a 3-pointer by Taylor McCabe in the third quarter. The Hawkeyes routed Rutgers, 111-57, on Sunday at Carver-Hawkeye Arena in Iowa City. (Savannah Blake/The Gazette)

UNRELENTING OFFENSE

All 14 players score, led by Davis and McCabe off the bench; Iowa rolls, 111-57

By Jeff Linder, The Gazette

IOWA CITY — There was no hangover, no letdown. And no mercy. No. 5 Iowa piled up its

most points in a Big Ten women's basketball game, and the second-most in school history, in a 111-57 feel-good rout of Rutgers before a crowd of 13,150 Sunday afternoon at Carver-Hawkeye Arena.

"We bounced back pretty well after a disappointing loss (Thursday at Indiana),"

Iowa Coach Lisa Bluder said.

All 14 Hawkeyes played, and when Sharon Goodman converted off a feed from Shateah Wetering with 45 seconds left, all of them scored.

On a day in which none of the Hawkeyes shot more than seven times, Molly Davis scored a season-high 17

points.

"My teammates were getting me the ball," said the senior transfer from Central Michigan. "I came in and tried not to think about it too much.

"The defense was sagging off me, and my teammates

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Cyclones need 3-pointers to start dropping

By Rob Gray, correspondent

AMES — Iowa State head coach Bill Fennelly drew up a detailed plan with his assistants.

The mission: Turning a week off from Big 12 play into a rejuvenating spark for success down the stretch.

The reality: The No. 21 Cyclones suffered a dispiriting 73-60 setback Saturday at West Virginia following that important break — and now must play 20th-ranked Texas at 6 p.m. today at Hilton Coliseum.

"I've always thought that when you get to Super Bowl week it's almost like the Super Bowl leads into the rush to the end of the (college) basketball season," Fennelly said. "I think everyone kind



Iowa State head coach Bill Fennelly watches from the bench against Baylor on Feb. 4 in Ames. No. 21 ISU is trying to end a three-game losing streak tonight against No. 20 Texas. (Associated Press)

of really figures that out and that's exactly where we are."

ISU (15-7, 7-5 Big 12) resides in a precarious position

TONIGHT'S GAME

- **Teams:** No. 20 Texas (20-6, 11-2) at No. 21 Iowa State (15-7, 7-5)
- **Where:** Hilton Coliseum, Ames
- **Topoff/TV:** 6 p.m./ESPN2

after losing its third consecutive game. Chronic shooting woes have been joined by spotty defense — a troubling situation the Cyclones must change if they hope to stop tumbling down the Big 12 standings. It won't be easy to fix such problems against the Longhorns (20-6, 11-2), though. They've won seven straight games this season and own a seven-game win streak in the series with ISU.

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