NU RECORDS, ALL-AMERICANS HIGHLIGHT 2016-17



2016-17 Nebraska Rifle Team (from left): Maddie Korthas, Samantha Peterson, Dacotah Faught, Kayla Gadeken, Nina Radulovic, Rachel Martin, Jaycee Carter, Katie Brown, Rachel Yager, Jordan Miller, Sarah Sutton, Hannah Virga.

The 2016-17 Nebraska rifle team marked a program milestone after reaching the 2017 NCAA Championships under third-year head coach Ashley MacAllister and second-year assistant coach Rick Johnson. The Huskers qualified for the NCAA Championships for the fifth consecutive year, tying the longest streak since rifle became a varsity sport at NU in 1998-99. The team's sixth-place finish at the NCAA Championships capped a very successful 2016-17 season that included several personal-best scores, new school records, a runner-up conference finish and a pair of All-Americans.

"I am so proud of this team this year," MacAllister said. "Everyone on this team worked hard to learn about themselves this year and how to manage their inner voices. Rifle is so much of a mental sport [so] it is very important that all of my athletes are very honest with themselves. In order for them to do this it means they have to be comfortable being vulnerable with themselves, their teammates, and their coaches. It is a tall task to ask of young adults at times, but everyone on this team has embraced this so we can all grow and get better at what we do everyday."

The Huskers started the season by traveling to Oxford, Miss., on Oct. 15 to battle Ole Miss. Newcomers Samantha Peterson and Dacotah Faught paved the way for the Huskers and proved right away they were going to immediately influence the team. Peterson earned 584 in smallbore, while Faught scored 592 in air rifle. In addition, Katie Brown broke her career-high score in smallbore with 563. NU topped the Rebels 4,659-4,654.

Nebraska took a week off before hosting Ohio State at the NU Rifle Range on Oct. 29. In a narrow battle, the match was tied and needed to be determined by inner tens. Nebraska came out victorious after firing 272 to OSU's 270. Jordan Miller earned a new personal high in smallbore with 570, and Hannah Virga posted a season-best smallbore score of 567. Rachel Yager set a career-best smallbore score of 575.

The next weekend, the Big Red traveled to

Lexington, Ky., for a pair of matches against Akron (Nov. 5) and Kentucky (Nov. 6). The Huskers dominated the Zips 4,663-4,630 but suffered their first loss of the season to the second-ranked Wildcats (4,683-4,675). Despite the loss, Faught made her way into the NU record books after shooting a 596 in air rifle. She, along with Rachel Martin, recorded the highest air rifle score ever shot by a Husker junior and the second-highest air rifle score overall. Nina Radulovic earned a career-best smallbore score of 586 against the Wildcats as well, while Yager set a personal best in air rifle with 586.

The following weekend, NU had back-to-back matches against UTEP on Nov. 12 and Nov. 13 at the NU Rifle Range. Kayla Gadeken notched a career-best 591 on the second day, while Maddie Korthas (566) and Martin (584) each earned season-best scores in smallbore as well. The Huskers swept the Miners, moving to 5-1 at the conclusion of the first half of the season.

After two months off, Nebraska began the second half of its season with a long stretch of road matches. The series started with competitions against NC State (Jan. 15) and Army West Point (Jan. 16) in West Point, N.Y. NU topped both teams in come-frombehind victories, with help from strong air rifle performances. Jaycee Carter set a new careerhigh score in smallbore with 579 against the Wolfpack, while Sarah Sutton tied her career best in the same discipline (564). Radulovic tied her career-high air rifle score against Army West Point with 593.

Next, the Big Red traveled to Morgantown, W.Va., and to face off against Navy on Jan. 21 and West Virginia on Jan. 22. NU went 1-1 that weekend, falling to then No. 2 West Virginia, but beating Navy. The next weekend, NU challenged Memphis and Jacksonville State University in Memphis, Tenn., on Jan. 28 and defeated both

Nebraska concluded the regular season at home against Alaska on Feb. 2. In the final home match of their Husker careers, seniors and All-Americans Carter and Martin led the Nebraska rifle team in a record-breaking performance. Martin led the team in smallbore with 582. Carter scored the second-highest score in air rifle (593), helping the Huskers to the highest air rifle score at the NU Rifle Range (2,367). Despite the incredible performance, NU fell to the Nanooks 4,691-4,683.

Two weeks later, the Huskers began postseason action at the NCAA Qualifiers in Murray, Ky., where the team finished second in its session and qualified for the 2017 NCAA Championships for the fifth consecutive season with a score of 4,666.

At the GARC Championships Feb. 24-25, the Huskers finished second (4,679) thanks to a tremendous air rifle performance. Martin and Carter led the team in air rifle, both notching scores of 595. Peterson and Faught were close behind with 593, and Radulovic rounded out the Huskers with a score of 590. The team's effort landed them a spot in the Nebraska record books, shooting the highest team air rifle score in school history (2,376). At the air rifle finals, Martin placed third overall and Carter grabbed the eighth spot.

The Huskers concluded their season at the 2017 NCAA Championships in Columbus, Ohio, March 10-11. NU placed sixth with a score of 4,676, while Martin and Carter finished sixth and eighth respectively in air rifle. West Virginia took home its fifth consecutive national title with a score of 4,723 and swept the individual titles. TCU and Murray State finished second and third, respectively.

Faught and Peterson earned All-America honors from the NRA for their tremendous efforts on the rifle range. Faught claimed second-team honors in air rifle, while Peterson was honorable mention in smallbore. For Faught, it was her second All-America award.

Faught returns in 2017-18 as the only senior on the Husker squad. She, along with Peterson and Radulovic, will serve as the primary leaders on a team in pursuit of a school-record sixth straight NCAA appearance in 2018.

2016-17 NEBRASKA SCHEDULE & RESULTS

			SMAL	LBORE	AIR I	RIFLE	COM	BINED		
DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	NU	OPP	NU	OPP	NU	OPP	W/L	RECORD
Oct. 15	Ole Miss	Oxford, Miss.	2,307	2,297	2,352	2,357	4,659	4,654	(W)	1-0
Oct. 29	Ohio State	Lincoln, Neb.	2,302	2,310	2,360	2,352	4,662	4,662	(W)*	2-0
Nov. 5	Akron	Lexington, Ky.	2,315	2,291	2,348	2,339	4,663	4,630	(W)	3-0
Nov. 6	Kentucky	Lexington, Ky.	2,313	2,314	2,362	2,369	4,675	4,683	(L)	3-1
Nov. 12	UTEP	Lincoln, Neb.	2,300	2,254	2,364	2,324	4,664	4,578	(W)	4-1
Nov. 13	UTEP	Lincoln, Neb.	2,307	2,255	2,361	2,333	4,668	4,588	(W)	5-1
Jan. 15	NC State	West Point, N.Y.	2,310	2,315	2,368	2,350	4,678	4,665	(W)	6-1
Jan. 16	Army West Point	West Point, N.Y.	2,299	2,301	2,366	2,346	4,665	4,647	(W)	7-1
Jan. 21	Navy	Morgantown, W.Va.	2,315	2,288	2,362	2,341	4,677	4,629	(W)	8-1
Jan. 22	West Virginia	Morgantown, W.Va.	2,303	2,344	2,343	2,366	4,646	4,710	(L)	8-2
Jan. 28	Memphis	Memphis, Tenn.	2,301	2,303	2,355	2,347	4,656	4,650	(W)	9-2
	Jacksonville State Unive	ersity		2,296		2,332		4,628	(W)	10-2
Feb. 2	Alaska-Fairbanks	Lincoln, Neb.	2,316	2,326	2,367	2,365	4,683	4,691	(L)	10-3
Feb. 19	NCAA Qualifiers	Murray, Ky.	2,312		2,354		4,666		2nd/4	
	Murray State			2,337		2,365		4,702	(L)	10-4
	Memphis			2,301		2,340		4,641	(W)	11-4
	UT Martin			1,713		1,746		3,459	(W)	12-4
Feb. 24-25	GARC Championships	Akron, Ohio	2,303		2,376		4,679		2nd/9)
	West Virginia			2,341		2,384		4,725	(L)	12-5
	Kentucky			2,306		2,361		4,667	(W)	13-5
	NC State			2,304		2,356		4,660	(W)	14-5
	Army West Point			2,311		2,338		4,649	(W)	15-5
	Akron			2,286		2,344		4,630	(W)	16-5
	Memphis			2,303		2,326		4,629	(W)	17-5
	Ole Miss			2,286		2,338		4,624	(W)	18-5
	Navy			2,295		2,326		4,621	(W)	19-5
March 10-1	1 NCAA Championships	Columbus, Ohio	2,308		2,368		4,676		6th/8	
	West Virginia			2,336		2,387		4,723	(L)	19-6
	TCU			2,334		2,372		4,706	(L)	19-7
	Murray State			2,326		2,366		4,692	(L)	19-8
	Kentucky			2,331		2,351		4,682	(L)	19-9
	Alaska-Fairbanks			2,317		2,359		4,676	(L)**	19-10
	Ohio State			2,311		2,359		4,670	(W)	20-10
	Air Force			2,307		2,346		4,653	(W)	21-10

^{*}Tie breaker determined by inner tens (Xs); NU: 272, OSU: 270

2016-17 INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

KATIE BROWN			
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	563	561	1,124
Ohio State	548	566	1,114
Akron	DNP	DNP	DNP
Kentucky	DNP	DNP	DNP
UTEP	554	566	1,120
UTEP	548	567	1,115
NC State	DNP	DNP	DNP
Army West Point	DNP	DNP	DNP
Navy	DNP	DNP	DNP
West Virginia	DNP	DNP	DNP
Memphis/JSU	DNP	DNP	DNP
Alaska-Fairbanks	557	569	1,126
NCAA Qualifiers	DNP	DNP	DNP
GARC Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
NCAA Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
Average	554.00	565.80	1,119.80

JAYCEE CARTER			
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	574	591	1,163
Ohio State	566	584	1,150
Akron	569	583	1,152
Kentucky	577	588	1,165
UTEP	572	593	1,165
UTEP	571	592	1,163
NC State	579	584	1,163
Army West Point	568	586	1,154
Navy	567	592	1,159
West Virginia	566	583	1,150
Memphis/JSU	568	589	1,157
Alaska-Fairbanks	564	593	1,157
NCAA Qualifiers	574	584	1,158
GARC Champs.	576	595	1,171
NCAA Champs.	<u>572</u>	594	1,166
Average	570.87	588.73	1,159.53

DACOTAH FAUGH	Γ		
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	576	592	1,168
Ohio State	567	594	1,161
Akron	581	593	1,174
Kentucky	578	596	1,174
UTEP	565	593	1,158
UTEP	576	589	1,165
NC State	574	595	1,169
Army West Point	577	593	1,170
Navý	581	589	1,170
West Virginia	576	583	1,159
Memphis/JSU	573	593	1,166
Alaska-Fairbanks	578	594	1,172
NCAA Qualifiers	578	595	1,173
GARC Champs.	572	593	1,178
NCAA Champs.	582	592	1,174
Average	575.60	592.27	1,168.73

^{**}Tie breaker determined by inner tens (Xs); NU: 268, UAF: 276

2016-17 INDIVIDUAL RESULTS

KAYLA GADEKEN			
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	578	585	1,163
Ohio State	569	583	1,152
Akron	569	590	1,159
Kentucky	559	587	1,146
UTEP	570	586	1,156
UTEP	575	591	1,166
NC State	562	574	1,136
Army West Point	573	577	1,150
Navy	DNP	DNP	DNP
West Virginia	566	578	1,144
Memphis/JSU	DNP	DNP	DNP
Alaska-Fairbanks	575	584	1,159
NCAA Qualifiers	575	568	1,143
GARC Champs.	565	575	1,140
NCAA Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
Average	569.67	581.50	1,151.17
MADDIE KORTHAS	5		
Opponent	SB	ΔR	AGG

SAMANTHA PETER	RSON		
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	584	587	1,171
Ohio State	580	593	1,173
Akron	582	580	1,162
Kentucky	580	588	1,168
UTEP	575	592	1,167
UTEP	568	590	1,158
NC State	581	590	1,171
Army West Point	578	578	1,156
Navy	581	586	1,167
West Virginia	577	583	1,160
Memphis/JSU	574	581	1,155
Alaska-Fairbanks	582	592	1,174
NCAA Qualifiers	585	583	1,168
GARC Champs.	572	593	1,165
NCAA Champs.	<u> 575</u>	585	1,160
Average	578.27	586.73	1,165.00

RACHEL YAGER			
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	563	574	1,137
Ohio State	575	585	1,160
Akron	572	572	1,144
Kentucky	567	586	1153
UTEP	569	582	1,151
UTEP	560	584	1,144
NC State	570	574	1,144
Army West Point	575	571	1,146
Navy	DNP	DNP	DNP
West Virginia	DNP	DNP	DNP
Memphis/JSU	DNP	DNP	DNP
Alaska-Fairbanks	570	567	1,137
NCAA Qualifiers	573	581	1,154
GARC Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
NCAA Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
Average	569.40	577.60	1,147.00

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MADDIE KORTHAS			
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	556	573	1,166
Ohio State	557	575	1,132
Akron	DNP	DNP	DNP
Kentucky	DNP	DNP	DNP
UTEP	551	581	1,132
UTEP	566	579	1,145
NC State	DNP	DNP	DNP
Army West Point	DNP	DNP	DNP
Navy	DNP	DNP	DNP
West Virginia	DNP	DNP	DNP
Memphis/JSU	DNP	DNP	DNP
Alaska-Fairbanks	552	583	1,135
NCAA Qualifiers	DNP	DNP	DNP
GARC Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
NCAA Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
Average	556.40	578.20	1,142.00

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Ole Miss	559	584	1,143
Ohio State	573	579	1,152
Akron	570	573	1,143
Kentucky	586	584	1,170
UTEP	577	589	1,166
UTEP	576	590	1,166
NC State	571	589	1,160
Army West Point	576	593	1,169
Navy	577	583	1,160
West Virginia	577	587	1,164
Memphis/JSU	572	583	1,155
Alaska-Fairbanks	574	588	1,162
NCAA Qualifiers	575	576	1,151
GARC Champs.	561	590	1,151
NCAA Champs.	<u>574</u>	587	1,161
Average	573.20	585.00	1,158.20

NINA RADULOVIC

SARAH SUTTON

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SMALLBORE			
PLAYER	APPS.	HIGH	AVG.
Nina Radulovic	15	586	573.20
Samantha Peterson	15	585	578.27
Rachel Martin	15	584	576.47
Dacotah Faught	15	582	575.60
Jaycee Carter	15	579	570.87
Kayla Gadeken	12	578	569.67
Rachel Yager	10	575	569.40
Hannah Virga	4	572	566.50
Jordan Miller	1	570	570.00
Maddie Korthas	5	566	556.40
Sarah Sutton	8	564	555.88
Katie Brown	5	563	554.00
AIR RIFLE			
PLAYER	APPS.	HIGH	AVG.
Dacotah Faught	15	596	592.27
Jaycee Carter	15	595	588.73
Rachel Martin	15	595	590.73
Nina Radulovic	15	593	585.00
Samantha Peterson	15	593	586.73
Kayla Gadeken	12	591	581.50
Hannah Virga	3	587	582.67
Sarah Sutton	8	586	579.00
Rachel Yager	10	586	577.60
Jordan Miller	1	585	585.00
Maddie Korthas	5	583	578.20
Katie Brown	5	569	565.80
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COMBINED			
PLAYER	APPS.		AVG.
Dacotah Faught	15	1,178	1,168.73
Rachel Martin	15	1,178	1,167.20
Samantha Peterson	15	1,174	1,165.00
Jaycee Carter	15	1,171 1,170	1,159.53
Nina Radulovic Kayla Gadeken	15 12	1,170	1,158.20 1,151.17
Maddie Korthas	5	1,166	1,131.17
Rachel Yager	10	1,160	1,142.00
Jordan Miller	1	1,155	1,147.00
Hannah Virga	3	1,150	1,150.00

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RACHEL MARTIN

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Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	573	589	1,162
Ohio State	580	589	1,169
Akron	582	592	1,174
Kentucky	569	590	1,159
UTEP	576	586	1,162
UTEP	584	587	1,171
NC State	576	594	1,170
Army West Point	568	594	1,162
Navy	576	595	1,171
West Virginia	573	589	1,162
Memphis/JSU	582	590	1,172
Alaska-Fairbanks	582	584	1,166
NCAA Qualifiers	566	592	1,158
GARC Champs.	583	595	1,178
NCAA Champs.	577	595	1,172
Average	576.47	590.73	1,167.20

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Ole Miss	564	572	1,136
Ohio State	556	582	1,138
Akron	DNP	DNP	DNP
Kentucky	DNP	DNP	DNP
UTEP	556	585	1,141
UTEP	540	585	1,125
NC State	564	570	1,135
Army West Point	554	573	1,127
Navy	DNP	DNP	DNP
West Virginia	DNP	DNP	DNP
Memphis/JSU	DNP	DNP	DNP
Alaska-Fairbanks	558	586	1,144
NCAA Qualifiers	555	579	1,134
GARC Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
NCAA Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
Average '	555.88	579.00	1,135.00

HANNAH VIRGA			
Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	567	583	1,150
Ohio State	572	578	1,150
Akron	564	DNP	DNP
Kentucky	DNP	DNP	DNP
UTEP	DNP	DNP	DNP
UTEP	DNP	DNP	DNP
NC State	DNP	DNP	DNP
Army West Point	DNP	DNP	DNP
Navy	DNP	DNP	DNP
West Virginia	DNP	DNP	DNP
Memphis/JSU	DNP	DNP	DNP
Alaska-Fairbanks	563	587	1,150
NCAA Qualifiers	DNP	DNP	DNP

JORDAN MILLER

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Opponent	SB	AR	AGG.
Ole Miss	DNP	DNP	DNP
Ohio State	570	585	1,155
Akron	DNP	DNP	DNP
Kentucky	DNP	DNP	DNP
UTEP	DNP	DNP	DNP
UTEP	DNP	DNP	DNP
NC State	DNP	DNP	DNP
Army West Point	DNP	DNP	DNP
Navy	DNP	DNP	DNP
West Virginia	DNP	DNP	DNP
Memphis/JSU	DNP	DNP	DNP
Alaska-Fairbanks	DNP	DNP	DNP
NCAA Qualifiers	DNP	DNP	DNP
GARC Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
NCAA Champs.	DNP	DNP	DNP
Average	570.00	585.00	1,155.00

Jordan Miller Hannah Virga

Sarah Sutton

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