

# Pioneer tankers 2nd in NCAA-II

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The best-made plans, contrived through hours of deliberation, can be altered and destroyed in a fraction of a second.

Certainly that thought occurred to Oakland University men's swim coach Pete Hovland after what happened at the NCAA Division II swim championships last weekend at the Belmont Plaza pool in Long Beach, Calif.

Hovland had done his job perfectly. He had figured dozens of possible scenarios, trying to plan his team's route to at least a runners-up finish. With luck and a lapse or two by California State-Bakersfield, the defending champion and heavy favorite to repeat, OU might make a run at the title.

Any such hopes for a national title were probably grounded by the time Friday, the third day of competition, rolled around. And early Friday, it seemed the Pioneer's hopes for a second-place might also be washed away.

"It wasn't a matter of us winning it," said Hovland. He was talking about the 400-yard medley relay, at which the OU coach figured his team had a great chance to win.

"Steve Larson had won the 100 back and Mark VanderMeer had won the 100 breast. We had two guys in the finals of the 100 fly, so it was just a matter of finding the right freestyler."

OR SO IT seemed. Until Larson, the champion in the 100-yard backstroke, was disqualified in the relay for failing to touch a wall with his hand on a turn.

Suddenly, the 32 points a relay win would have supplied OU were gone. So was the Pioneer's momentum.

"It was a tremendous letdown," admitted Hovland. "That's never happened to me as a coach before, and it's never happened to (Larson) before."

It took some doing, but OU did recover, just enough to hang on to second place. Bakersfield won the championship easily, scoring 479.5 points. OU finished with 246, a mere 8.5 ahead of third-place California State-Northridge (237.5).

The Pioneer's didn't clinch second until the last event, the 400 freestyle relay. They were ahead of Northridge by 4 1/4 points entering the event and needed to beat them. Bakersfield won the relay in 3:01.99, just ahead of OU's Mike

Koleber, Larson, VanderMeer and Bruce Verburg (3:02.21). Northridge placed fourth (3:04.66). "We were fortunate," said Hovland. "But that's a credit to how well we swam."

OU swimmers came away with two individual titles. VanderMeer successfully defended his title in the 100 breaststroke and broke his own OU team record in winning in 55.59.

THE JUNIOR was in a duel for swimmer of the meet honors with Northridge's Jeff Kublak. The pair went back and forth in three events, with VanderMeer winning in the 100 breast and Kublak taking the 200 breast in 1:59.84, far ahead of VanderMeer's second-place time of 2:02.51 (VanderMeer's 2:01.03 in the prelims broke his own OU record).

In the showdown event, the 200 individual medley, Kublak came out on top in 1:50.37, just ahead of VanderMeer's second-place time of 1:50.92 (another OU team record, and was fourth in the 100:152.99 set in 1981). That win earned Kublak swimmer of the meet honors. Both will compete in the NCAA Division I championships April 2-4 at the University of Texas.

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Mike Nation and Eric Dresbach, a pair of sophomores, were pleasant surprises for OU. Nation took a third in the 200 butterfly (1:51.78) and was fourth in the 100:152.99 set in 1981). That win earned Kublak swimmer of the meet honors. Both will compete in the NCAA Division I championships April 2-4 at the University of Texas.

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# Engineers survive in 2nd OT

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If the Plymouth-based Hennessey Engineers keep this up, officials of the North American Junior Hockey League may have to conduct an investigation.

The Junior A Engineers pulled out a dramatic 5-4, double-overtime victory against the Detroit Falcons Saturday to take a 2-1 edge in the best-of-seven semifinal series in the state Junior A playoffs.

The scary part is, both of the Engineer victories came at Fraser, the Falcons' home ice. Understand, the Fraser ice has not been kind to the Engineers. They've won just once in Fraser prior to the playoffs.

"It's just incredible, really," said Engineers' coach A.J. Baker. "After

such a poor showing at home the other night (a 7-1 loss Thursday in Plymouth), I was very concerned about this one."

DARRELL SATTLER eased Baker's worries. He scored three goals including the game-tying goal with 10 seconds left in regulation and the game-winning goal 2:14 into the second 10-minute overtime period.

A third-period goal by Don Stone gave the Engineers a 4-3 lead. With 13 seconds left, Fraser coach Ken Knight called a timeout. Baker couldn't believe his luck.

"We made the same mistake against Compuware earlier this season," he said. "We had a one-goal lead with 16 seconds left at home

and I called time out. Compuware set up a play and scored."

That's exactly what the Engineers did Saturday. Matt Wiljanen, a Livonia Stevenson product, won the face off. Tom Madden controlled the puck and got off a backhand shot that was blocked in front of Falcon goalie Brandon Reed. Sattler got hold of the puck with his back to the net. He spun around and fired the puck past Reed.

The sequence took three seconds. "Wiljanen was phenomenal," Baker said. "I don't think he lost a faceoff all day."

ENGINEER GOALIE Dave Church pressed into a starting role after Doug Brown was injured in game two Thursday, kept the pressing Falcons off the board in the first overtime period.

The second overtime period was frenetic. First Bob Myrland of the Engineers rattled a shot of the goal post. Then Falcons Don Barton and Sean Worden came in two-on-one and Church stopped them cold. The Engineers went right back down the ice. After a pile up in front of Reed, the puck came loose to the ever-present Sattler who slammed it home.

"Darrell was not that offensive-minded in the early part of the season, but he got on a real nice streak in the last five or six games," said Baker. "He gets a ton of garbage goals. He is always around the net."

Bryan Kryger scored two goals for the Engineers Saturday. Madden and Chris Kaska each had two assists.

## sports shorts

### ● KATIE MACINTOSH ALL-AMERICA

Katie MacIntosh, former All-Area diver from Farmington High, earned all-America honors last week at the NCAA Division II Swimming and Diving Championships at Long Beach, Calif.

Diving for Clarion University of Pennsylvania, MacIntosh placed sixth on the one-meter board and 11th on the three-meter board. There were 37 divers competing.

MacIntosh, a 1985 Farmington

graduate, is a sophomore at Clarion.

### ● JILL MENEILEY ALL-MIAA

Not bad for a freshman.

Jill Meneiley, former All-Area swimmer at North Farmington, capped off a successful freshman season at Kalamazoo College by being named to the all-Michigan Intercollegiate Athletic Association swim team. The all-MIAA team, 16 swimmers and divers, is selected by the league's coaches.

Meneiley, voted Kalamazoo's most valuable freshman by her teammates, set school records in the 500-yard freestyle (5:22.93), 1,000 freestyle (11:17.85), 1,500 freestyle (19:07.58) and the 200 individual medley (2:18.05). She also swam team beats in three other events.

Meneiley is a 1986 North Farmington grad.

### ● AREA TRIO MAKES U-M HONOR ROLL

Three former Oberlinland athletes have been named to the Uni-

versity of Michigan Women's athletics honor roll.

Ellece Murtaugh (North Farmington), Mary Rowowski (Farmington Hills Mercy) and Donna Greenbury (Farmington Hills-Detroit Country Day) earned the honor by maintaining a 3.5 or better grade point average.

Murtaugh was a member of the U-M gymnastics team. Rowowski is on the basketball team and Greenbury competes on the golf team.

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