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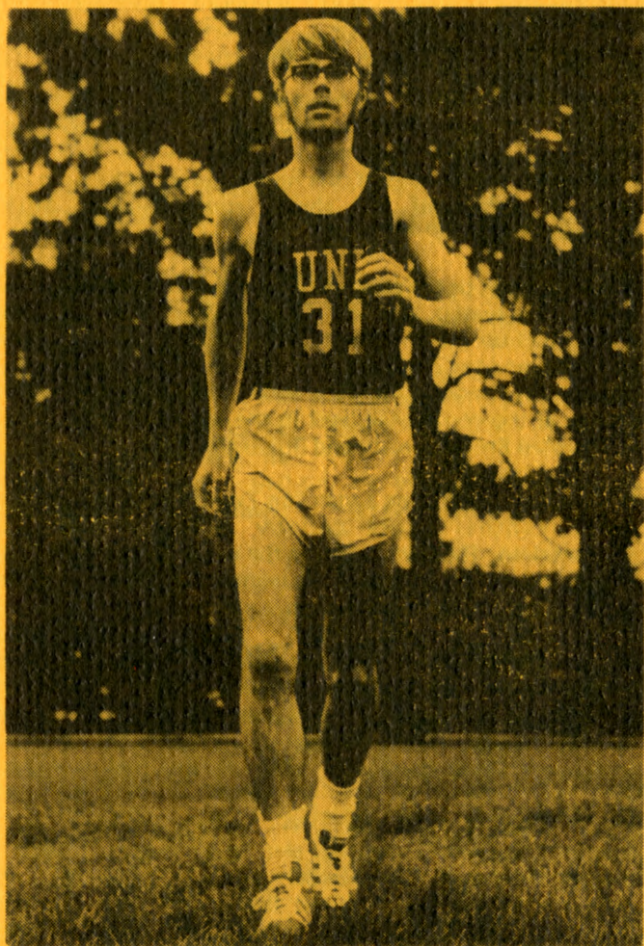
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***UNIVERSITY OF
NORTHERN IOWA***

Facts on UNI

Location	Cedar Falls, Iowa 50613
Enrollment	8,800
Founded	1876
Conference	North Central
School Colors	Purple and Old Gold
Nickname	Panthers
President	Dr. John Kamerick
Athletic Director	Stan Sheriff
Head Coach	Jack Jennett
Sports Information Director	James W. Shaffer (319) 273-2761

Prospects for '74

Cross country at Northern Iowa should prove to be another exciting and strong contending sport in 1974. Despite losing the greatest runner in UNI history with the graduation of Rich Twedt, the harriers promise to be in the thick of things of the always rough North Central Conference race.

The NCC may be the roughest Division II conference in the nation this season. National Champs South Dakota State and runner-up North Dakota State return most of their personnel and the NCC will be on fire as usual. Just to show the competitiveness, the Jackrabbits and Bison finished in reverse at the conference level in the top two spots in '73. UNI placed 8th nationally and 3rd in the NCC.

It will be hard replacing a man like Twedt who holds almost every Panther cross country record. A four-time All-American, Rich was 22nd in the national meet in 1973. Others lost from last season are team leader Dennis Schultz and Gordon Yuska to graduation.

But the Panthers could be surprising with this year's squad headed by All-American Ron Peters who finished 25th in the national last season. Undoubtedly the backbone of the Panther charge, he's expected to receive support from sophomore Steve MacTaggart after his fine rookie season.

Others figuring to boost UNI's roster are Iowa State transfer Bob Connell who may give Peters and MacTaggart a run for the No. 1 spot. Gordon Yuska's younger brother Tom starts UNI this fall and Bob Friedman is another freshman expected to be a contributor for Panther success. Other younger kids could emerge after some experience.

"Our success will depend on how well our youngsters progress in the next couple of weeks," says Head Coach Jack Jennett. "With school starting earlier this year things look very promising."

South Dakota State and NDSU are picked favorites again and Jennett sees UNI and Mankato State as the biggest threats to challenge for the title. The rest of the conference is a toss-up but you can't ever tell in the NCC.

The Coach

Beginning his 13th season as UNI's head cross country and track coach is the highly successful Jack Jennett.

His tenure as cross country mentor has produced five All-Americans, including two last season. Four of those titles went to Jennett's greatest pupil, Rich Twedt who graduated last year.

Jennett's most successful team was the 1964 North Central Conference Champion. The Panthers finished 3rd in the NCC last season and 8th at the 1973 Division II championships.

After attending Drake University where he played football and competed in track, Jennett



Jack Jennett

began his coaching career in the prep ranks at Lake City. He coached at Morningside and Buena Vista colleges before coming to UNI.

He and wife Myrna have three daughters.

1974 Panther Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	DISTANCE	TIME
Sept. 7	Open			
Sept. 14	I.S.U. Invitational	Ames	4 miles	11:00
Sept. 20	Drake University	Des Moines	5 or 6 miles	4:00
Sept. 24	Luther	CEDAR FALLS	4 miles	4:00
Sept. 28	Les Duke	Grinnell	5 miles	11:00
Oct. 5	Univ. of South Dak.	Vermillion, S.D.	5 miles	11:00
	Nebraska Wesleyan			
Oct. 12	Northern Illinois	CEDAR FALLS	5 miles	11:00
Oct. 19	Univ. of Wisconsin	Madison, Wisc.	5 or 6 miles	10:30
	Invitational			
Oct. 25	Loras	CEDAR FALLS	5 miles	4:00
Nov. 2	North Central	Brookings, S.D.	5 miles	11:00
	Conference Finals			
Nov. 8	State Federation	CEDAR FALLS	5 miles	4:00
Nov. 16	NCAA Division II	Springfield, Mo.	5 miles	11:00
Nov. 25	NCAA Division I	Bloomington, Ind.	6 Miles	11:00*

Home course is located on Pheasant Ridge Municipal Golf Course off Birdsall Park Drive.

*Eastern Standard Time

1974 Panther Roster

NAME	CLASS	HOMETOWN--HIGH SCHOOL
Brennan, Terry	Fr.	Waterloo--Columbus
Chenworth, Richard	Jr.	Mason City--Mason City
Connell, Bob	So.	Waterloo--Columbus
Coppock, Dave	Fr.	Cedar Falls--Cedar Falls
Doeden, Ernie	Fr.	Cedar Falls--Cedar Falls
Eubank, John	Fr.	Waterloo--Columbus
Friedman, Bob	Fr.	Carroll--Kemper
Goomis, Ron	Fr.	Johnston--Johnston
Lee, Dennis	Jr.	Mason City--Mason City
*MacTaggart, Steve	So.	Strawberry Point--Starmount
*Peters, Ron	Sr.	Waterloo--West
Rieken, Rod	Fr.	Harcourt--Central-Webster
Tatman, Jim	Sr.	Belle Plaine--Belle Plaine
Unger, Mike	Jr.	Cedar Falls--Cedar Falls
VanNostrand, Jamie	So.	Des Moines--Lincoln
Wistey, John	Fr.	West Des Moines--Valley
Yuska, Tom	Fr.	Hudson--Hudson

* Denotes Lettermen returning

1973 Results

UNI 3rd	ISU Invitational
UNI 27 29	Drake
UNI 29 28	North Dakota State
UNI 15 48	South Dakota
UNI 15 50	Wartburg
UNI 33 24	Luther
UNI 3rd	Wisconsin Invitational
UNI 26 29	Loras
UNI 3rd	North Central Conference
UNI 8th	NCAA Division II

Dual Meet Record: Won 4, Lost 2

Panther Records

3--Mile

Freshman:	Ron Peters, 15:09
Varsity:	Rich Twedt, 14:40
Course:	Mike Slack, 14:28

4--Mile

Freshman:	Rich Twedt, 20:30
Varsity:	Rich Twedt, 20:23
Course:	Bill Dressel, 19:51

5--Mile

Freshman:	Rich Twedt, 25:06
Varsity:	Rich Twedt, 24:08
Course:	Roger Schwegel, 25:54

6--Mile

Freshman:	Rich Twedt, 29:46
Varsity:	Rich Twedt, 29:46