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GREEN LOOKS AHEAD

Coach Green and his proteges are looking forward to a very successful season after losing only two lettermen and a solid nucleus of returning players. That part of the fall season that is carrying over to this spring season that most pleases Green is the fine play of three newcomers -- Chris Vandell, Rick Rasmussen and Dennis Rommann.

Vandell, a transfer from Grand View Junior College, placed 1st in the NCC last fall and 4th in the Northern Iowa Classic. Rasmussen finished 5th in the NCC and opened play with a 67, the lowest round recorded. Rommann placed 3rd in the Conference after beginning his freshman year at a slow pace.

However, those three men are just the skim off the top. Rich Lyons, a junior from Strawberry Point, was the medalist at the UNI-Wartburg Invitational last spring and received Honorable Mention in the Division II 1976 Golf All-America list chosen by the NCAA College Golf Coaches Association. Lyons' selection was the first in UNI’s golfing history and he received the distinction after placing 35th in the nationals out of 118 places.

Craig Cool, a three-year letterman, is another veteran nationals players, having placed 85th last spring and also competing his freshman year. Green also expects a lot out of Gary Nelson, a one-year letterman who placed 2nd in the NCC and 58th in nationals. Two other one-year lettermen are Steve Shubert, who placed 42nd in nationals, and Scott Johnson. Also, the season looks promising for freshmen Peter Hagen and Larry Gladson.

The Panthers had a tough workout in Georgia over spring vacation, playing some of the toughest courses in the nation. Green says the "fellows have a lot of confidence. We'll have a very good season and an excellent opportunity to go back to the nationals. Our 8th place finish last year was the highest finish by any team from the Midwest. We feel we performed extremely well and we have a lot of anticipation for this season. We have an excellent schedule with good competition and the people know what they have to do.'
GREEN LEADS GOLFERS

Wrapping up his fifth year as the Panthers' coach, Ken Green can look back on his accomplishments and look forward to what lies ahead. UNI won the North Central Conference golf title in the springs of 1973 and 1976 while Green was at the helm. UNI was third in his initial season and second in 1974. The Panthers also placed eighth last season in the NCAA Division II National Championships. Green was named NCAA District 5 College-Division Coach of the Year in 1973. A 1960 graduate of Iowa State, Green earned his master's degree at UNI in 1965. Prior to joining the UNI staff in 1966, he was head basketball coach at Starmont High School.

SPRING SCHEDULE

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THE ROSTER

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<th>Name</th>
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<td>***Craig Cool</td>
<td>Sr.</td>
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<td>Larry Gladson</td>
<td>Fr.</td>
<td>Dubuque (Hempstead)</td>
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<td>Peter Hagen</td>
<td>Fr.</td>
<td>Cedar Rapids (Regis)</td>
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<td>*Scott Johnson</td>
<td>Jr.</td>
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<td>**Rich Lyons</td>
<td>Jr.</td>
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<td>*Gary Nelson</td>
<td>Jr.</td>
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<td>Dennis Rommann</td>
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<td>Vinton</td>
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<td>*Steve Shubert</td>
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<td>Chris Vandell</td>
<td>Jr.</td>
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*Indicates letter winners
1976 SPRING RESULTS

- Grinnell Best-Shot 1st of 9 teams
- UNI Best-Shot 1st of 4 teams
- UNI-Wartburg Invitational 1st of 15 teams
- Drake Relays Classic 8th of 18 teams
- Iowa Invitational 4th of 12 teams
- NCAA Division II 8th of 20 teams

1976 FALL RESULTS

- Iowa State Invitational 3rd of 3 teams
- LaCrosse Invitational 4th of 12 teams
- Northern Iowa Classic 6th of 16 teams
- NCC Conference 1st of 9 teams

1976 NCC RESULTS

- Northern Iowa 874
- South Dakota 909
- North Dakota 913
- Mankato 913
- South Dakota State 917
- Augustana 926
- North Dakota State 928
- Morningside 936
- Nebraska-Omaha 974

1976 TOP 10 NCC PLAYERS

- Chris Vandell, UNI, 218
- Gary Nelson, UNI, 219
- Dennis Rommann, UNI, 222
- Dave Reitan, MAN, 222
- Rick Rasmussen, UNI, 222
- Mike Egan, USD, 223
- Kelly Bosworth, AUG, 223
- Dave Dorsey, USD, 224
- John Shimpach, MAN, 224
- Mike Oberlander, SDSU, 225

UNI Quick Facts

LOCATION: Cedar Falls, IA
FOUNDED: 1876
ENROLLMENT: 9,699
PRESIDENT: Dr. John J. Kamerick
ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: Stanley B. Sheriff
ASST. ATHLETIC DIRECTOR: R. C. Johnson
HEAD COACH: Ken Green
CONFERENCE: North Central
NATIONAL AFFILIATION: NCAA Division II
TEAM NICKNAME: Panthers
SCHOOL COLORS: Purple and Old Gold
LETTERMEN LOST: 2
LETTERMEN RETURNING: 5
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GOLF OFFICE: Men's Gym 207, 273-6478

Pictured on the cover are from l. to r. G. Nelson, D. Rommann, R. Rasmussen and C. Vandell.