

Olympic Recap: Women's Hockey Headed To Postseason, Fencing Wins CCFC Title And Baseball Splits Four-Game Series



Women's Hockey Headed To Postseason

After earning the regular season title to clinch its second-ever Julianne Bye Cup, Ohio State extended its winning streak to 16 games against Wisconsin on Feb. 23 in a 3-1 win. Kiara Zanon, Makenna Webster and Jenna Buglioni each scored goals while Raygan Kirk had 28 saves, 19 of them coming in the first period.

The Buckeyes finished the regular season with a 4-2 loss at Wisconsin. Kenzie Hauswirth scored two goals in the first period to take an early lead, but the Badgers shut them down for the next two periods and scored four unanswered goals, two from each of Casey O'Brien and Laila Edwards to secure the win. Amanda Thiele had 20 saves in the loss.

Next up for Ohio State is the WCHA conference tournament where it will match up against Bemidji State on Friday, March 1, and Saturday, March 2, at the OSU Ice Rink for the quarterfinals.

Baseball Splits Four-Game Series At Arizona State

Ohio State began its season in Arizona on Feb. 16 with a loss to Boston College and wins over BYU and USC in the Desert Invitational. After a loss to Grand Canyon University, the Buckeyes went to Tempe, Ariz., to match up against the Sun Devils.

They won game one 11-4 behind seven strong innings from Landon Beidelschies who gave up just three hits and one earned run in his second start of the season. Trey Lipsey, Josh Stevenson and Henry Kaczmar each hit their first home run of the year, and Mitchell Okuley had three hits to lead the big offensive day.

Lipsey and Stevenson both went deep again in game two of the series, but the Sun Devils wound up on top 14-4. Ohio State had three errors behind starter Colin Purcell who gave up five runs in 3.1 innings, but only three were earned.

Matthew Graveline had a two-homer game the next day, jump-starting a four-run seventh inning and a seven-run ninth inning en route to a 13-4 win. Nick Giamarusti went 2-4 with a home run of his own and five RBI in the game. Zach Brown came in relief for Gavin Bruni after 4.1 innings and threw 2.1 innings of his own, giving up four hits and one earned run and getting the win.

Game four went just eight innings, and the Buckeyes lost 10-8 to split the series. Hunter Shaw got the loss, pitching 0.1 innings and giving up four earned runs on a walk, a hit by pitch and two hits, one of which was a grand slam to center off the bat of designated hitter Brandon Compton.

Next up for the baseball team is a trip to Las Vegas where they will play in the Las Vegas College Baseball Classic against California on March 1, Pittsburgh on March 2 and Oklahoma on March 3.

Fencing Wins CCFC Title

The Buckeyes won their fourth straight Central Collegiate Fencing Conference title on Feb. 25 with Dasha Myroniuk and Edriss Ndiaye leading the way with their individual titles.

Myroniuk won her second straight foil title as the No. 1 seed, winning 15-6, 15-7 and 15-7 to win the championship. Raiyan Moradi-Bidhendi (eighth) and Claire Teresa Galavotti (ninth) also finished in the top 10 for the women in foil. Ndiaye's title was also in foil, with Mitchell Huth finishing second, Ilya Ayupov and Diego Cervantes tying for third, Solin Li taking fifth, Justin Vogler in sixth and Craig Upton and Isaac Ariza finishing eighth and ninth, respectively.

Yeva Mazur finished in second place in epee for the women while Karina Dyner tied for third. Miles Weiss tied for third for the men and Gabriel Feinberg finished in fifth place.

Ele Perrier tied for third in saber with freshman Arlow Wiggers coming in eighth and Maria Alexe in ninth. Luca Fioretto made it to the finals for the men in saber, but lost by one touch. Hank Bauer and Avin Rai tied for third place.

Next up for the fencing team is the NCAA regionals in Detroit on March 9 before the NCAA Championships take place in Columbus from March 21-24.