Golf Defeats BU, Falls to Merrimack
By Tom Kawamoto

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On the second day, strong winds swirled over the course and caused scores to rise. The Engineers stumbled a bit and fell to 13th place. Second day scoring was as follows: Lombardi (87); Kawamoto, Schulze, and Onysko (88); and Tracada (91).

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Male Gymnasts Win Academic Award
By Roger Crosley

The MIT men’s gymnastics team has been declared the national academic champion for the 1993-94 academic year. The award was bestowed by the National Association of Collegiate Gymnastics Coaches for Men (NACGC). The Engineers compiled a 9.80 cumulative point average on a 4.00 scale.

The team, which is ranked fourth in the nation, had nine student-athletes selected to the Academic All-District Information Directors of America (CoSIDA) Academic All-District team as well as four promising newcomers.

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Lions Beat Cowboys in Overtime
Detroit also comes away with share of NFC Central lead

Boston College, also 0-2, plays at Pittsburgh this week. Hopefully, Dan Henning will have figured out who his quarterback is by Saturday. Meanwhile, Boston University, 2-0 and ranked sixth in Division I-AA, visits Villanova.

In top 25 action, number one Florida has the week off, which should give Nebraska a chance to take over the top spot in the polls. The Commodores play Pacific (ahh, a Weekend schedule at last). Florida State, determined to get its ACC schedule out of the way as quickly as possible, plays North Carolina. Michigan had last week off to savor their victory over Notre Dame, and will play No. 7 Colorado tomorrow.

Bad news for the Buffaloes: Tyone Worley’s shoulder has healed, and the pre-season Heisman candidate is ready to play.

Penn State, the current leader in the Big Ten/Eleven, faces off against Rutgers. Number six Miami (Florida, or Ohio) goes up against a tough Washington team that includes superfast running back Napoleon Kaufman. Unbeaten Arizona plays against a disappointing Stanford team in a Pac-10 matchup. Notre Dame, whose 2-1-2 squarer against Michigan State dropped them further in the polls, hopes to redeem themselves against yet another Big Ten team, this time Purdue.

Last week Auburn ran three interceptions back for touchdowns in the fourth quarter to overcome LSU. This week, the Tigers should extend their 16-game winning streak against East Tennessee State. A few more easy games: Alabama hosts Tulane, and Texas A&M plays Southern Mississippi. Virginia Tech, coming off an upset of BC last weekend, will host Florida, a team they should have no problem with.

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