McIlroy beats the heat, NBA championship draws near, and the Panthers hope for Cam...

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It was the best of times and the worst of times...

"Woods was dropping expletives and screaming at himself," as reported by Fox Sports. After missing seemingly easy puts and tying for ninth place in round 3 of the Masters Golf tournament held in Augusta, GA, there was a lot of ground to cover for Tiger Woods to catch up in the rankings. Golfer Rory McIlroy of Ireland led the tournament in first place shooting 2 under 70 during Saturday's round. However at the end of the day, it was South African, Carl Schwartzel, who took home the coveted green Master's championship jacket. He shot four birdies on his last four shots to win it over the other contenders. Tiger Woods wound up finishing in a tie for fourth place, while Saturday's leader, McIlroy finished a staggering 10 shots behind first place.

Who Wants It More?

It is the final week of filling out all the loose playoff spots, and fans are anxiously waiting to see who will go on to compete for the NBA championship. Will the winner be from the Eastern division with the Miami Heat or the Boston Celtics? Or will the West take it with the San Antonio Spurs or Los Angeles Lakers? Right now, everything seems possible. The Spurs recently suffered a six game losing streak while the Lakers struggled to defeat the Sacramento Kings. During the post game interview, Lakers Head Coach, Phil Jackson blamed their loss on the team being inconsistent and only playing good defense during the fourth quarter. Tune in tonight for the match-up against the number one team in the Atlantic division, the Celtics and the number two team, the New York Knicks, with Boston holding a 3-0 lead. The Charlotte Bobcats will also go against the Atlantic Hawks; both games air at 8 pm eastern time tonight.

We Want You!

For football fans, April 28th is circled on their calendars. The first round picks for the 2011 NFL draft begins. With the effects of the lockout not completely dealt with and doubts still lingering in the air, the futures of those picked this month may seem a bit foggy, yet the title of being called up to join some of the world's best athletes is as good enough reason to join anyway. First pick goes to the Carolina Panthers, who had the worst losing record in the NFL, last season, only 2-14. Sports commentators mostly agreed that the Carolina Panthers need a new quarterback. Desperately, need a new quarterback. And they hope that Heisman winner, Cam Newton, quarterback from the championship team Auburn, will be available to them. Another team looking forward to this year's draft is the Cincinnati Bengals. Sport insiders claim they basically need a complete team overhaul to include new lineman, new quarterback and a new safety.

Broncos release 2011 football schedule

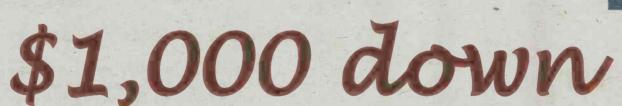
FAYETTEVILLE, NC - Football season never feels like it is too far away, and it feels even closer for Fayetteville State Broncos fans as the tentative 2011 football schedule has been released.

Fayetteville State will open its 2011 season with the third annual Two Rivers Classic against UNC Pembroke at 6 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 3. The game will be played at Luther "Nick" Jeralds Stadium as the two programs clash to open their respective grid seasons for the third consecutive year.

The Broncos, who finished the season 5-5 a year ago to complete a season at .500 or better for the eighth time in head coach Kenny Phillips' 11 years at the helm, are then scheduled to travel to play St. Paul's for their first road game of the season on Sept. 10.

After that, Fayetteville State will begin a stretch of four home dates in a span of five games, kicking off with a 6 p.m. game against Elizabeth City State on Sept. 17 before traveling to rival Winston-Salem State on Sept. 24 to open CIAA play. Fayetteville State will then host St. Augustine's (Oct. 1, 6 p.m.) and Virginia State (Oct. 8, 6 p.m.).

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