

San Antonio Spurs Are A Little Older And A Lot Hungrier

SAN ANTONIO (AP) - The San Antonio Spurs are a little older and a lot hungrier. Now they're out to finish what they started.

The Spurs won the Midwest Division last year with a 56-26 record, progressed to the Western Conference semifinals and achieved the best single-year turnaround in NBA history.

Phrases like "new-look" and "up-and-coming" frequently were linked with the squad. Now "championship contenders" is heard more often.

"After last season, everybody has high hopes for us, and we have high hopes for ourselves," said guard Willie Anderson.

The Spurs start their 1990-91 campaign Nov. 3 at home against the Los Angeles Lakers.

"This is the time to get mentally together and physically together because people are going to know when they see San Antonio on the schedule, this isn't going to be an easy game," said center David Robinson.

The Spurs' starting five - Robinson, Anderson, Terry Cummings, Rod Strickland and Sean Elliott - remain intact. Coach Larry Brown already likes what he sees.

"They don't look like young kids anymore. The difference is so incredible in just one year, and it's nice to see," Brown said after the starters ran their first training camp drills.

Two of the five, Robinson and Elliott, were rookies last year, while Anderson and Strickland were second-year players.

"I think I'm improved as a player," said Robinson, who last season averaged 24 points and 12 rebounds and was unanimous choice for Rookie of the Year. "I think mentally I'm a little bit stronger," Robinson says he's concentrating on defense.

"If I can rebound the ball and get the ball out to the guys and if I can run the floor and make things happen and play some defense, then we're going to be successful," he said.

"Defensively, I'm going to have to be a team leader." The 7-1 Navy product also is working on a No. 1 shot.

"You can't develop something like that unless you're out there playing," he said. "I've been working on the hook shot. It's something you've got to use against people when you're

playing ... but that will come." Robinson said his year of pro experience will help him prepare for the grind of the NBA season and assist rookies Sean Higgins, Tony Massenburg and Dwayne Schintzius.

"The key out here is to do the simple things right. I can definitely talk to these guys about that," Robinson said. "I know how everything is a whirlwind when you're just trying to make the team." Elliott, the Spurs' first-round draft choice in 1989, also is ready to move beyond his rookie season.

"I'm going to be much more aggressive on the boards. I want more rebounds," said Elliott, who averaged only 3.7 rebounds in 1989-90.

The 6-8 former Arizona standout put on a few extra pounds working out over the summer and is switching from a bulky leg brace he's used for security to a lighter, more flexible device.

While Brown and his players say they've got plenty of talent, they're also quick to point out that alone won't produce a championship.

"We've got a lot of solid players out here, but it's all a matter of putting it together," Robinson said.

Cummings, who averaged 22 points and eight rebounds last season, is optimistic.

"We're going to have a great year," Cummings said. "I think sometimes you start off kind of slow, gradually trying to get used to the people around you." To solidify the bench the Spurs acquired Paul Pressey and David Greenwood to go with their trio of draft picks.

Schintzius, the team's top pick, missed the start of training camp in a contract dispute. The 7-2 center stopped playing for Florida mid-season last year, citing personal reasons.

Schintzius did informally practice with teammates before camp began.

The Spurs lost backup guard David Wingate, whose name surfaced in September in connection with two alleged rapes. His guilt or innocence had not been legally determined, but Spurs officials said Wingate would not be back with the team.

Vying for other roster spots are Mike Mitchell, Reggie Williams, David Rivers, Mark McNamara and Orlando Graham.

Not only must the Spurs get accustomed to their new players, they've got a conference to contend with that Brown says is rife with new talent.

The Lakers have added Terry Teagle and Sam Perkins; Portland traded for Danny Ainge; Phoenix acquired Ed Nealy; Dallas now has Fat Lever and Rodney McCray; and Utah added Jeff Malone.

"I think everybody has improved," Brown said. "But we improved. That's what makes it fun." Cummings, an eight-year veteran who frequently mentions his yearning for an NBA championship, said he also expects tougher conference competition.

"I don't think that as the years go by it'll get any easier. I think it'll become more and more competitive. I just want to win my championship before it does," he smiled.

The Spurs ended their post-season play in June with an overtime loss to the Trail Blazers in Game 7 of the Western Conference semifinals. Brown predicts at least as much excitement this season.

"I think we're going to be a lot better," Brown said.

"Whether we win 56 games or not I don't think is a concern of mine. I just think we've got to continue to get better. And we will."

Inaugural Banquet And Annual Meeting

The Inaugural Banquet and First Annual Meeting of the Iron Eagles Athletic Foundation, Incorporated, is scheduled to be held Friday night, October 19, from 7 to 9:30 p.m., at the W. G. Pearson Cafeteria on the NCCU Campus. The speaker is Dr. Helen Edmonds, NCCU Professor Emerita and Trustee.

Spearheaded by a group of ex-athletes who have labeled themselves as the "Solid Seven," the goal is to raise 1.5 million dollars in three years to benefit a better student athlete and athletic activities in general on the NCCU Campus. Parking is expected to be a problem, so you need to arrive early if you plan to attend. Banquet tickets are \$15. The preferred parking for this event will be the circle in front of the Administration Building, the parking lot behind the Communications Building, and the parking lot behind the Academic Skills Center.

Only 200 seats are available in the cafeteria. Tickets will be sold on a first-come first-served basis.

By Barry Cooper
You may not have noticed, but black kids are swimming more than they ever have before. And we aren't talking about some mindless, weekend frolic at the local YMCA. Black kids are swimming competitively, looking ahead to the day when black America will produce its first Gold Medal winner in swimming.

This isn't to suggest that every public swimming pool in America has been stuffed this summer with black kids looking to be the next

Triangle Cardinals Defeat Peninsula Pirates

Triangle Cardinals Semi-Pro Football team defeated the Peninsula Pirates 13-0, at Durham County Stadium, Sunday, Oct. 14. The game remained unscored until the fourth quarter when the first touchdown was made with 5:45 remaining. The second touchdown was made with only 34 seconds remaining in the game, completely shutting out the Pirates. The Cardinals are now 4-3-1. Their last home game will be played Oct. 21, at 2:30, Durham County Stadium. This game will be a thrilling one since a win will mean second place in the playoffs of the Southern Division of the Mason-Dixon League.

MEAC Football

GREENSBORO — After dropping three of their first four games, the Florida A&M Rattlers have struck back to win two straight conference contests, including Saturday's 43-38 victory over Delaware State. The triumph tied FAMU with Howard atop the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) football standings at 2-0. Howard lost a non-conference battle to Virginia State 19-14, snapping a nine-game winning streak dating back to last season. DelState fell from second to a fourth place MEAC tie with idle North Carolina A&T at 1-1. The other league game, a 26-7 win for South Carolina State over Bethune-Cookman, gave the victors sole possession of third place at 2-1. B-CC, now 1-3 in the MEAC, remained in the sixth spot, and Morgan, 0-3, lost a non-conference tiff to Virginia Union 48-15.

Howard and NCA&T have the MEAC's best overall records at 5-1, while DelState and SC State sport second-best marks of 4-2. FAMU improved to 3-3. D-CC has slipped to 2-4, and Morgan is still winless at 0-7.

flexible ankle. Everyone

them 'sinks'. ...
Fortunately, black kids rising above that manner thinking. No black swimmer ever made the United States Olympic team, but surely a barrier will be struck down. That's because in many cities, black kids are being offered opportunities to swim. In Atlanta, under former mayor Andrew Young, the city spent \$1.25 million on inner-city pools. Now kids are off the streets and flocking to pools. In Washington, D.C., pools were built in a 10-year period. In Philadelphia, perhaps the 30 or so kids who participate in the PDR program scrape together enough money to keep the program going.

All of these black swim programs are being run on shoestring. It takes thousands of dollars to develop an Olympic swimmer, and few black families have access to those kind of resources. But that is an issue that can be resolved. The important thing is, that after being shut out for years, and years, black kids are finding that there is room for them in competitive swimming pools.

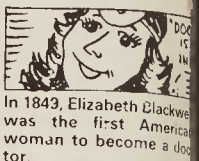
Mark Spitz. Competitive swimming, like golf and tennis, is an incredibly expensive sport, requiring lots of money for training. But in various communities across the country, black kids are finding ways to beat the costs.

No finer job is being done for these black kids than the work being turned in by the Philadelphia Department of Recreation. A touching scene took place for black America not long ago when the proud PDR swim team -- six talented, young black athletes -- showed up in Cleveland for a national competition. It was believed to be the largest contingent of black swimmers ever to appear at a national meet.

The team out of Philadelphia isn't America's only group of black swimmers. The Atlanta Dolphins swim team, publicly financed, is a huge group and almost entirely black. Some of the Dolphins' swimmers are among the best in Georgia. In Chicago, thousands of kids have begun swimming competitively during the summers.

There are highly ranked black swimmers in Michigan. And in Arkansas. And in California. And in Ohio. The list is growing every day.

This phenomenon has gone on virtually unnoticed, especially by those who have said in the past that blacks were not physically suited for swimming. Buck Dawson, executive director emeritus of the International Swimming Hall of Fame, once said about blacks, "There was a theory that blacks had thicker skulls than whites and that was the problem. There was a theory about ankles. It's not a



In 1943, Elizabeth Blackwell was the first American woman to become a doctor.

Hazel B. Plummer League Scores Sept. 24

Male
High Game — Jairus Wilson-27, Clifton Parker-227, Bob Vance-22, Ronald Miller 210, 210, 223.
High Series — Ronald Miller-50, George Thorne-626, Clifton Parker-615.

Female
High Game — Ann Norwood-24, Delores Plummer-209, Priscilla Parker-201; Ann Reed-201.

High Series — Ann Norwood-57, Ann Reed-541, Priscilla Parker-539.

High Team Scores
Game — Pacers-873, Sparemakers-865, Sooners-864.

Series — Sparemakers-245, Tigers-2399, Sooners-2396.

Other League News
604-Ellis Smith, 596-J.R. Lawson, 570-Harold Johnson, 567-Linwood Taylor, 563-Oscar Crisp, 554-James Wilson, 551-James Parker, 550-Jimmy L. Harrington, 542-Adolph Caviness, 540-Willie Finch, 533-Joseph Parker, 525-Marie Tapp, 512-Frank Shuler, 512-Delores Plummer, 503-Arthur Smith, 499-Russell Wilkerson, 487-William "Bill" McDonald, 480-Enos Genth, 221-George Thorne, 221, 215-Ellis Smith, 215-Linwood, 212-J.P. Lawson, 209-Jimmy L. Harrington, 207-Oscar Crisp, 201-Willie Finch, 198-James Parker, 196-Marie Tapp, 192-Joseph Parker, 191-Harold Johnson, 191-William "Bill" McDonald, 188-William "Bill" Little, 188-Adolph Caviness, 188-Russell Wilkerson, 187-Frank Shuler, 186-Reggie Burnette, 186-Sandra Shuler.

Four Game Winners
Spoilers
Split Conversions
Ann Norwood 5-7

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DURHAM COUNTY
JAMES EARL BLACK,
Petitioner

vs
BARBARA VALENTINE BLACK
Respondent

Notice of Resale
UNDER AND BY VIRTUE of an Order of Resale of the Clerk of Superior Court of Durham County made in the special proceeding entitled James Earl Black vs. Barbara Valentine Black, the undersigned Commissioner will on the 12th day of October, 1990 at 12:00 o'clock noon at the courthouse in Durham County, Durham, North Carolina offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash that certain tract of land lying and being in Durham Township, Durham County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows:

Block #, Section 1 of BRITISH WOODS, as per plat and survey thereof by George C. Love, Registered Land Surveyor, dated April 8, 1967, recorded in Plat Book 57, page 98, Durham County Registry, to which plat reference is hereby made for a more particular description.

This property is conveyed subject to Restrictive Covenants recorded in Deed Book 384, page 765, Durham County Registry.

This sale is made subject to all outstanding taxes and any other encumbrances and the successful bidder is required to deposit 10 percent of the first \$1,000.00 thereof, plus 5 percent of any excess of \$1,000.00.

This is the 19th day of September, 1990.

C. C. MALONE, JR., P.A.
BY: C.C. Malone, Jr.,
Commissioner

NOTICE OF SALE OF CONFISCATED PERSONAL PROPERTY

Under and by virtue of the provisions of Chapter 15, Article 12 of the North Carolina General Statutes, the undersigned Sheriff for the County of Durham, North Carolina will offer for sale at public auction for cash, to the highest bidder, at the Durham County Judicial Building, Durham, North Carolina at 10:00 a.m., Wednesday, October 24, 1990, the following articles of personal property which have remained unclaimed for 180 days, for 30 days in the case of bicycles.

TV's, VCR's, Tools, Jewelry, Bicycles, Appliances, Fishing Equipment, Business Equipment and Automobile Accessories.

If the above articles are not claimed by any person who may have or claim any interest therein within 30 days following the publication of this notice, the above articles will be sold at said public auction.

The above articles will not lie open for increased bids or objections, but will be deemed closed when the purchaser at the sale pays the amount of the accepted bid.

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF DURHAM
ANCILLARY ADMINISTRATOR'S
NOTICE TO CREDITORS
AND DEBTORS

Having qualified as Ancillary Administrator of the Estate of EDNA T. JORDAN this is to notify all persons, firms and corporations having claims against EDNA T. JORDAN, deceased, to exhibit them duly verified, to the undersigned, at Post Office Box 851, Durham, NC 27702 on or before the 13th day of April, 1991 or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery.

All persons, firms and corporations indebted to said EDNA T. JORDAN, will please make immediate settlement. This 9th day of October 1990.
ROSEMARY J. MCCLAIN,
Ancillary Administrator
ESTATE OF EDNA T. JORDAN
POST OFFICE BOX 851
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Attorney: Lauriette Williams West
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