



SPORTS BRIEFS

Speed, Sawyer Lead Second-Day Qualifying

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla. — Lake Speed and Elton Sawyer led Daytona 500 second-round qualifying Monday at Daytona International Speedway and virtually assured themselves of making the lineup for Sunday's race.

In the unique Daytona qualifying format, speeds from three days of time trials are used to establish the fields for Thursday's Twin 125-mile qualifying races — which determine positions 3-30 for the race — and also to fill positions 31-38 in Sunday's lineup.

The front row spots were won Saturday by Dale Earnhardt and Ernie Irvan.

For the drivers who do not qualify in Thursday's races, the next eight positions in the field will go to the fastest drivers remaining from the time trials, regardless of which day they qualified.

Yankee Outfielder Asks for \$3 Million in Arbitration

NEW YORK — In just the second salary arbitration case of the year, New York Yankees outfielder Bernie Williams asked Monday for \$3 million, more than seven times his salary of \$400,000 last season.

Arbitrator Ralph Berger, expected to issue a decision on Tuesday, listened to arguments from both Williams and the Yankees, who offered \$2,555,000.

Williams, 27, hit .307 last season, the second-best average on the team, and had 18 homers and 82 RBIs.

He rejected several multiyear offers.

Eighteen players remain in arbitration.

In the one case decided, catcher Rick Wilkins beat the Houston Astros last week and was awarded a \$1.55 million salary. He originally made \$1.25 million in salary per year.

Namibian Sets Indoor Record in 100 Meters

TAMPERE, Finland — Frankie Fredericks of Namibia set a new world indoor record of 10.05 in the 100 meters Monday.

The former indoor mark was held by Olapade Adeniken of Nigeria with a time of 10.13 set last year.

Fredericks, 28, was the Olympic silver medalist in the 100 meters in 1992 in Barcelona.

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AP College Baseball Poll

Team	Record
1. Louisiana State	0-0
2. Stanford	7-3
3. Cal State Fullerton	5-1
4. Wichita State	0-0
5. Tennessee	0-0
6. California	6-3
7. Clemson	0-0
8. Mississippi State	0-0
9. UCLA	9-3
10. Arizona State	6-1
11. Texas Tech	6-0
12. Georgia Tech	0-3
13. Southern California	4-2
14. Oklahoma	2-0
15. Florida State	4-0
16. Oklahoma State	2-1
17. Alabama	2-1
18. Miami	5-1
19. Cal-Northridge	5-1
20. Texas	3-5
21. Long Beach State	2-4
22. South Florida	1-1
23. N.C. State	3-0
24. Auburn	3-0
25. Central Florida	6-0

AP Men's Basketball Top 25

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Massachusetts (59)	23-0	1,819	1
2. Kentucky (5)	20-1	1,563	2
3. Connecticut (1)	22-1	1,495	4
4. Villanova	20-3	1,383	5
5. Kansas	19-2	1,335	3
6. Cincinnati	19-2	1,283	5
7. Utah	19-3	1,246	7
8. Wake Forest	16-3	1,147	9
9. Penn State	18-2	1,065	10
10. Virginia Tech	19-2	1,025	11
11. Purdue	19-4	900	14
12. Texas Tech	20-1	871	13
13. Arizona	18-4	847	16
14. Georgetown	19-5	778	6
15. Memphis	17-4	742	15
16. Syracuse	18-6	643	18
17. North Carolina	16-7	477	12
18. UCLA	16-6	465	17
19. Iowa	17-6	407	19
20. Stanford	15-5	341	25
21. Boston College	15-5	309	22
22. Iowa State	17-6	303	21
23. Eastern Michigan	19-2	203	24
24. Louisville	17-7	152	20
25. Mississippi State	16-5	118	—

Other receiving votes: Wisconsin-Green Bay 103, Georgia Tech 82, George Washington 49, Michigan 38, Arkansas 35, Auburn 26, Marquette 21, New Mexico 18, Texas 14, College of Charleston 13, Washington 12, California 8, Missouri 5, Michigan State 3, Providence 3, Tulane 3, Clemson 2, Indiana 2, Bradley 1.

AP Women's Basketball Top 25

Team	Record	Pts	Prv
1. Georgia (39)	20-2	875	1
2. Louisiana Tech	21-1	827	2
3. Connecticut	22-3	890	3
4. Stanford	19-2	844	4
5. Tennessee	19-4	826	5
6. Texas Tech	19-2	778	7
7. Iowa	20-2	714	5
8. Old Dominion	19-2	699	10
9. Penn State	19-5	634	12
10. Virginia	17-5	590	9
11. Wisconsin	19-4	555	8
12. Alabama	18-4	539	13
13. Vanderbilt	17-5	480	11
14. Duke	20-5	468	14
15. Oregon St.	16-4	429	16
16. N.C. State	18-8	355	15
17. Florida	17-5	323	20
18. Colorado	20-6	290	19
19. Clemson	17-4	247	18
20. Auburn	17-5	236	22
21. Mississippi	16-7	196	17
22. Purdue	15-9	182	23
23. Stephen F. Austin	18-2	86	25
24. Oklahoma St.	17-5	82	24
25. Notre Dame	16-5	88	21

Other receiving votes: Montana 34, Arkansas 27, DePaul 23, Southwest Missouri St. 18, Southern Mississippi 17, George Washington 11, Kansas 11, Middle Tennessee St. 10, Northwestern 10, Ohio St. 8, Texas A&M 7, Colorado St. 6, Maryland 6, Mississippi St. 5, Southern Methodist 5, Utah 5, Kent 4, Nebraska 3, Michigan St. 1, North Carolina 1, Villanova 1.

Lam Looks for 300th Win; UNC Tries to Dispel Old Adage

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There's an old regional sports adage that says: When Duke and North Carolina meet, it doesn't matter who looks better on paper — it's either school's event to win.

But the 17th-ranked UNC wrestling team just doesn't buy it.

In the 23 years that Bill Lam has coached UNC, the Tar Heels (10-3-1, 3-0 in the ACC) have never lost to Duke (4-3, 0-1). In Durham at 7:30 tonight, the UNC grapplers will not only attempt to keep that

string unbroken, but they will try to make it win No. 300 for Lam's career.

If the Blue Devils believe that grappling in the friendly confines of Cameron Indoor Stadium will serve as a comfort, they had best think again. In their last nine trips to Durham, Lam's teams have won by an average team score of 32-8.

So forgive Lam if he shows some degree of confidence in his wrestlers.

"I don't think Duke can beat us," he said. "What they can do — and what people don't understand — is that they can be spoilers. If they beat one of our kids,

they can goof up our individual seeds for the ACCs."

The ACC Wrestling Tournament seeds its participants not on a team basis but on an individual one, as wrestlers sporting the best regular season records earn the higher seeds.

So although the Tar Heels feel Duke

Wrestling vs. Duke



Tonight, 7:30 p.m., Durham

doesn't pose much of a threat to their team mark, Blue Devil wrestlers could make progress in the ACC tournament more difficult for some UNC wrestlers come tournament time.

"Here's my prediction: If we wrestle to our potential, we should shut them out," Justin Harty, UNC's heavyweight, said.

But Harty, too, realizes the individual burden that faces the Tar Heels is crucial.

"From here on out, this is where most wrestlers across the country make the decision between, 'Am I going to give up' or 'Am I going to get cranked up?'" he said.

"This is the only time of year that matters."

Duke has had a week to think about this meet, as it won its last meet on Feb. 6 against Campbell. The Blue Devils feature Dan Covatta (19-2) at 142 and Matt Mapes (10-0) at 158, who would usually face the UNC tandem of Dave Leonardis (23-4), who is ranked sixth in the nation, and No. 9 Mike Chase (24-3), respectively.

But not tonight. Lam has decided to wrestle his entire team up a weight class, which marks the last time this season his team won't have to worry about dropping pounds before a meet.



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