



SPORTS BRIEFS

Wade Named Nation's Top Midfielder in Men's Lacrosse

Jason Wade, senior midfielder on North Carolina's men's lacrosse team, was named co-recipient of the Lt. Don McLaughlin Jr., Memorial Award on Monday.

The award, given by the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association, is given to the nation's best midfielder in NCAA Division I men's lacrosse.

Wade, a native of Davidsonville, Md., shared the award with Casey Powell of Syracuse. Wade is the fourth Tar Heel to win the award.

Wade was named Atlantic Coast Conference Player-of-the-Year as well as first-team All-America, All-ACC and All-ACC Tournament in 1996.

Against Maryland on March 23, Wade scored eight goals on eight shots against National Goalkeeper of the Year Brian Dougherty. The mark tied a school record initially set by Mac Ford in 1984.

Montross's Father's Day Basketball Camp Returns

The Eric Montross Father's Day Basketball Camp takes place on Friday and Saturday in the Smith Center.

Proceeds from the camp go to the Jason Clark Memorial Fund. Clark died in 1994 after battling stomach cancer. The fund was established to build a teen room in the wing of the N.C. Children's Hospital.

The campers are father-child tandems who paid \$450 per duo to get one-on-one instruction from Montross and other NBA players and former collegiate standouts.

Jury Indicts Henley for Plotting to Murder Judge

LOS ANGELES — A federal grand jury Tuesday accused former Los Angeles Rams cornerback Darryl Henley of conspiring to murder the judge who convicted him of smuggling cocaine and the cheerleader girlfriend who testified against him.

Henley, 29, was accused of trying to put together cocaine and heroin deals from his jail cell to finance the contract killings for \$100,000 apiece. He and three others were named in the 13-count indictment.

Henley is awaiting sentencing for cocaine smuggling.

Tracy Ann Donoho, his lover and Rams cheerleader, told the jury he recruited her to carry 25 pounds of cocaine to Atlanta, where she was arrested in July 1993.

Between April 23 and May 7, Henley tried to put together a 25-pound cocaine deal, then started negotiating a heroin deal when that fell through. The suppliers in both deals were undercover agents.

Irvin's Indictment for Drug Possession Stands

DALLAS — A judge on Tuesday refused to throw out Michael Irvin's indictment on felony drug possession.

Irvin, the Dallas Cowboys' All-Pro receiver, former teammate Alfredo Roberts, Jasmine Nabwangu and Angela Renee Beck were found in an Irving motel room with drugs, police said after a March 4 raid.

A Dallas County grand jury on April 1 indicted Irvin and the women on cocaine and marijuana possession charges. Irvin's trial is set to begin June 24.

Officer Matthew William Drumm testified Irvin appeared under the influence of "some substance" when Drumm and three other police officers entered the room.

"His eyes were red and bloodshot and it appeared to me he had an extreme case of cottonmouth — dry mouth," Drumm said.

Two plates, including one found under the love seat where Irvin was sitting and another within inches of his elbow, contained loose cocaine and marijuana along with drug paraphernalia.

Police found the other plate containing loose cocaine on an end table near a razor blade and two straws.

STAFF AND WIRE REPORTS

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Major Leagues Claim Six Tar Heels in Draft

Almost everyone can think back to childhood and remember pretending to be a professional athlete. Whether they were playing stickball or a simple game of horse with the kid next door didn't matter. The dream of competing at the highest level was universal.

For a few members of North Carolina's baseball team, that dream is one step closer. In the 1996 professional baseball draft, two current Tar Heels and four incoming recruits were selected into the ranks of the major leagues.

UNC coach Mike Roberts said he was happy with the way things went in this year's selection process. "I'm pleased for them," Roberts said. "It is a compliment to the youngsters first of all, and we're proud that we could help them develop into potential professional players."

He also said that he expects his players to have a successful run at making baseball a full-time occupation. "These are good, mature players and early in their career, they will do very well," Roberts said. "I think that you'll see a couple of them play in the majors."

Headlining the list of incoming recruits chosen in the draft is Brent Butler, chosen in the third round by St. Louis. Roberts said Butler has signed with the Cardinals.

The other prospects included pitchers Kyle Snyder, Mike Bynum, and Paul Poplin, taken in the 27th, 32nd and 58th rounds, respectively. Unlike Butler, Roberts said he expected all of them to enroll at UNC.

Despite the disappointment of losing Stein and Butler to the draft, Roberts said he was glad they have the chance to play in the major leagues.

"As a coach, I want to help each student-athlete reach his goals," Roberts said. "Most want to play pro ball. I'm pleased for those who get the opportunity, but losing both of them has a big effect on us."

"Butler is a tremendous loss and there is no way at this late of a date to go back and sign a recruit to fill that hole. There will just be a gap until the following recruiting class next year. Right now, we're just hoping that the others will choose to attend school."

In addition to the draftees, fifth-year senior Mike Stoner joins the major league ranks. Stoner skipped the draft and became a free agent, subsequently signing with the expansion Arizona Diamondbacks.

They're Outta Here!

Six UNC players were chosen in last week's major league baseball draft.



PITCHER

■ Mike Bynum*
chosen in 32nd round, team not available

■ Kyle Snyder*
chosen in 27th round by Tampa Bay

■ Paul Poplin*
chosen in 58th round by California

■ Ethan Stein
chosen in 12th round by Kansas City



SHORT STOP

■ Brent Butler
chosen in 3rd round by St. Louis

■ Brian Whitlock
chosen in 28th round by Cleveland



FIRST BASE

■ Mike Stoner
signed with Arizona as a free agent before draft

* Denotes players who plan to enroll in UNC next year.

DTH/CALLE McCRAW

Marge Schott/Albert Belle Duo Make 1996 'Year of the Villain'

The strike-shortened baseball season of 1994 was marked by the records that could've fallen, such as Roger Maris' single-season home run mark.

The 1995 season centered on Cal Ripken Jr., and his pursuit of Lou Gehrig's record of 2,130 consecutive games played.

This season is the year of the villain. The bad guys have even elected a king and queen this season — Cleveland slugger Albert Belle and Cincinnati owner Marge Schott.

Schott makes news because she can't keep her mouth shut. She started the season with bang by questioning the postponement of the Reds' season opener despite the fact that umpire John McSherry had a heart attack on the field and died. Other lowlights include pro-fighter remarks and insults towards various ethnic and religious groups. Former manager Pete Rose summed it up best when he said, "I just don't think she likes anybody."

In the meantime, Belle continues to match Schott disgrace-for-disgrace. Last

week, he was suspended five games after a leveling Brewer Fernando Vina with a forearm to the face when Vina tried to tag Belle out.



AARON BEARD
FROM THE STANDS

Belle's confrontation with a fan in Texas was equally disturbing. After hitting a home run, Belle had the fan who caught the ball brought to the Indian dugout. Belle expected the fan just to give him the ball. Instead, the fan asked for an autographed baseball in exchange. Belle's response? "#\$%&#!" (or words to that effect). Hey Al, it doesn't hurt to say "thanks."

Belle's antics are a long-running nightmare for the American League's public relations department. From '91-'94, he was

suspended for offenses ranging from throwing a ball at a heckler to corking his bat.

CLUTCH — In Game Four on Monday, goalkeepers John Vanbiesbroeck of Florida and Patrick Roy of Colorado saved 118 shots in Colorado's 1-0 triple overtime victory. Roy finished with 63 saves, while the "Beezer" finished with 55.

NOT IN THIS DECADE, FRANK — Ripken will play in 2,216th consecutive game tomorrow in Kansas City. Chicago's Frank Thomas has played in 319 straight games, second among active players. He's on pace to break the mark in 2008.

QUOTE-A-BULL — "The whole game, (the Sonics) were so concentrating on what I was doing, saying and how I was acting on the floor that they forgot how to play basketball. When you try to lure some animal into the burrow and all of a sudden he takes the bait, he's got a problem." — Chicago forward Dennis Rodman on Sonics' reactions to his on-court antics during the Bulls' 108-86 win on Sunday. —Until later.

Brooker Undergoes Knee Surgery to Repair Torn ACL

Staff Report
Incoming freshman basketball player Michael Brooker underwent successful reconstructive knee surgery to repair a torn anterior cruciate ligament on Monday.

The surgery was performed in Chapel Hill by Dr. Tim Taft, team orthopaedic surgeon and Director of Sports Medicine at the University.

Brooker, a 6-foot-6 off-guard from Sandersville, Ga., suffered a partial tear of the ACL in his left knee last month playing basketball in a physical education class.

Brooker said he cancelled a doctor's appointment in the days following the injury after his knee felt better. But the pain returned, forcing him to make another doctor's appointment. Once there, an MRI confirmed the injury was a torn ACL.

In addition to the torn ACL, Brooker

also had several small cartilage tears in his knee, which were allowed to heal without surgery.

Rehabilitation will take close to nine months, preventing Brooker from seeing on-court action in the 1996-97 season.

"I was definitely disappointed," Brooker said before the surgery. "I was looking forward to coming in and trying to contribute as a freshman. I'm still gonna be a part of everything. It's still gonna be a great experience for me to come to the school, get good grades, and meet the guys."

Brooker is expected to make a complete recovery and return for the 1998 season.

Brooker averaged 34 points-per-game as a senior and gained national attention last year when he made 87 consecutive free throws at Sandersville's Brentwood Academy, setting a state high school record.

Amidst Colorado's Victory Celebrations, Bodyguard Keeps Close Watch on Cup

MIAMI — In a stirring finale, the Colorado Avalanche completed a four-game sweep over the Florida Panthers.

Defenseman Uwe Krupp's blast from the right point at 4:31 of the third overtime, gave Colorado a 1-0 victory.

Krupp's clinching score brought a revered hockey icon to Denver — a 103-year-old icon that is fought over by grown men for two months every spring.

The Stanley Cup. No sport but hockey has a symbol like it, a link to its history and tradition so impressive, so majestic. It started out as a silver chalice valued at \$48, but has become such a priceless artifact that it can never be copied by another sport, only envied.

But, symbolic of the sport it represents, the Stanley Cup has had its share of hard knocks and high sticks. So, last year, the Hockey Hall of Fame hired Pat Plunkett to be its bodyguard.

When the Stanley Cup is on display at a Denver hotel, as it was on June 4, Plunkett, a policeman and hockey fan, is a few feet away, carefully watching. If it's a mall in Miami or a charity function in Calgary, or the White House, Plunkett is there.

"I've been a lot of places where not just anybody can get into," Plunkett said. "The Stanley Cup is one of the best keys you can have."

When Plunkett flies first class, so does the cup. When Plunkett goes to bed at night, the cup stays locked in a special protective case in his room.

The cup hasn't always had it so good. Since it was first proposed in 1892 by Lord

Stanley and first awarded a year later, the cup has spent time in strip clubs and swimming pools. It has visited more bars than a jukebox repairman.

The cup has been tipped over and tossed about, and more than once has required reconstructive surgery. Plunkett's job is to make sure the trophy no longer takes such a battering.

If the cup ever again finds itself at the bottom of Mario Lemieux's swimming pool or on the runway of a strip club, it won't be on Plunkett's watch.

"There are 103 years of tradition preserved on the cup and I want it to be preserved for another 103 years," he said.

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