

# Spartans Take Bite Out of Gators, Win National Title

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS – This time there was no Magic, just Mateen. Michigan State, with Magic Johnson cheering in the stands, won its second national championship as Mateen Cleaves led the Spartans to an 89-76 victory against Florida on Monday night.

NCAA Championship	
Florida	.....76
Mich. St.	.....89

It was 21 years ago that the championship game between Michigan State and Indiana State changed the landscape of college basketball. This one may not have the magnitude, but it had the drama thanks to Cleaves, the Spartans' limping leader. After helping the Spartans build a 43-32 halftime lead by scoring 13 points, including going 3-for-3 from 3-point range, and negating Florida's vaunted full-court pressure with his ballhandling

and passing, Cleaves rolled his right ankle early in the second half and had to go to the locker room. The Spartans led 50-44 when Cleaves left with 16:18 to play. His teammates got the lead to 58-50 by the time he



Florida center Udonis Haslem

returned 4:29 later. But the senior guard, who missed the first 13 games of the season while recovering from a stress fracture in his right foot, was again the team's emotional leader. His long pass to Morris Peterson for a layup made it 60-50. He was leveled while setting a screen a few minutes later, but it was enough to spring A.J. Granger for a 3-pointer that started a 16-6 run that made it 84-66 and put the game away. Cleaves certainly didn't do it by him-

self. Peterson finished with 21 points on 7-for-14 shooting, and Granger had 19 and was 7-for-11 from the field. Cleaves was 7-for-11 from the field – all the shots coming before he was injured – and had 18 points and four assists. Center Udonis Haslem scored a season-high 27 points for the fifth-seeded Gators (29-9), while Brent Wright added 13. The Spartans (32-7), the only top-

seeded team to reach the Final Four, finished 33-for-59 from the field (56 percent), the best against Florida's frantic pace by far in the tournament. The previous best was 43 percent by top-ranked Duke in the regional semifinals. Michigan State never seemed fazed by the pressure, beating it early with long passes. The Spartans were their usual efficient selves when they did run their halfcourt game, getting good looks and crashing the boards when they missed.

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## THE Daily Crossword

By James E. Buell

**ACROSS**

1 Belly problem

5 Sages

9 Ring-shaped bread

14 Screwdriver, e.g.

15 Consumer

16 Wear away

17 Known only to the two of us

20 "Doubtfire"

21 San — Obispo, CA

22 University of Georgia's city

23 Astral

25 If not, then

26 Black gold

27 Pay attachment?

28 Hockey setting

32 Asimov or Newton

35 Does the crawl

37 Fish eggs

38 Privacy

41 Dine

42 Conical dwelling

43 Diamond corners?

44 Drove too fast

46 Beginning of town?

47 Noah's craft

48 East of the Urals

**DOWN**

1 Particles

2 Romance

3 Mustang, e.g.

4 Cornering pipe

5 Reciprocal

6 Up and about

7 Styling products

8 Wrath

9 Root vegetables

10 Bowman

11 2000 candidate

12 Genesis location

13 Allows to

18 Unlawful

19 Genoese specialty

24 Lounge about

25 The "in" crowd

27 Possessed

29 Garden bloom

30 Musical symbol

31 Florida islands

32 Chills

33 Cleansing agent

34 Pot entrance fee

35 Brown tint

36 Hepburn film

39 Termination of existence

40 Seneca or Huron

45 Natural selection theorist

47 Provoke

49 Mighty mount

50 Condemns

51 Sidestep

52 Emasculate

53 People of equal status

54 Down with!

55 Blowhole

56 Sicilian volcano

57 Greek lunch

60 Forty winks

61 Apprehend

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# McGwire's Fill-In Goes Deep

Atlanta's Andres Galarraga hit a go-ahead homer against Colorado his first game back after battling cancer.

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS – Mark McGwire's aching back was the only bad news for the St. Louis Cardinals on Opening Day. McGwire, who missed the last two spring training games because of a lower back strain, was a late lineup scratch Monday. McGwire reinjured the back running before the Cardinals' 7-1 victory against the Chicago Cubs. "He zig-zagged, and one of the zigs he felt a catch back there, and he knew it," manager Tony La Russa said. McGwire left Busch Stadium in the third inning and underwent an MRI. The test showed no disc problems. His replacement at first base, Craig Paquette, lined a three-run homer in the first inning, and his replacement in the cleanup slot, Fernando Tatis, also had an

RBI single, a walk and two steals. "That's kind of my job, to be ready whenever," said Paquette, who found out he was starting five minutes before game time. Sammy Sosa struck out twice and had an infield popout. Sosa is 2-for-11 this season and has no homers.



First baseman Mark McGwire sat out St. Louis' season opener after reinjuring his back before the game.

**Galarraga Makes Smashing Comeback**  
ATLANTA – Andres Galarraga and the Atlanta Braves could not have come up with a better script. Galarraga, out last season because of a cancerous tumor in his back, made a triumphant return by hitting a go-ahead solo homer in the seventh inning Monday that led the Braves to a 2-0 victory against the Colorado Rockies.

Andrew Jones followed his 400-foot drive with another shot off Pedro Astacio. "It's like a movie," Galarraga said. "It's something really special." Galarraga's homer helped Greg Maddux improve to 6-0 on opening day. Maddux allowed five hits in 7 2/3 innings and struck out six batters.

**Griffey's Debut Halted by Rain**  
CINCINNATI – In rapid succession, Ken Griffey Jr. received an overwhelming pregame ovation from the largest regular-season crowd in stadium history, two empty at-bats and one of the most unusual endings to an opener – a 3-3 tie with the Milwaukee Brewers. Griffey popped up in the first inning. In the third, he grounded out to shortstop Mark Loretta. "In your first at bat, if you're not nervous, you'd be in trouble," Griffey said. He wouldn't get a third chance. Rain had slowed the game to a crawl – several runners were on all fours after slipping down – and eventually brought the tarp. The game will be replayed Tuesday.

## Are You Allergic?

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## CAMPUS RECREATION UPDATE

### Intramural Sports

Today is the deadline for the Ultimate Disc Tournament, to be held this Saturday. Be sure to enter your team by 10pm tonight in Woollen 203.

Quit procrastinating...the annual Splash & Dash, Plus Triathlon is just 4 weeks away. Swim 500 meters; run a 5-K; and complete a 13.5 mile bike ride in under an hour...a great starter triathlon...Sunday, April 30; entries due by April 25 but entries are limited to the first 96 competitors.

### Fitness & Aerobics

UNC STUDENT RECREATION CENTER IS PLEASED TO HOST - CARDIO SCULPT TONE & MOVE

STEP UP AND BOX • Sunday, April 9, 2000

Part I: Cardio Sculpt Tone & Move w/ Terrie Reeves 11:00AM- 12:45PM

This workshop has been designed with the busy athlete in mind. The members who are looking to save time and get 2 workouts for the time of 1, will love this new class format. 2 AFAA Credits

Free Kick Boxing Class for all workshop participants from 1:00- 2:00. Taught by Terrie Reeves / Creator of the 3-Part National Kick Boxing Video Series...Kick It Knockout Workout. Cost is \$5.00 for non-workshop participants!

Part II: Step up and Box w/ Carol Hetrick

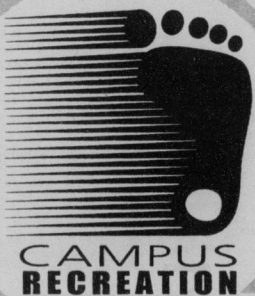
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This workshop will incorporate advanced step choreography combined with powerful kickboxing moves. This dynamic combination will offer participants a multitude of new choreography ideas. 2 AFAA Credits

Event Schedule:

- 10:30AM check-in/registration
- 11- 12:45 Cardio Sculpt Tone & Move
- 1- 2PM Kick Box Class
- 2:30- 4:15PM Step Up & Box

COST: \$35 each session; \$60 for both (Kick Boxing class included)



### Club of the Week: Carolina Water Polo

Carolina Water Polo is comprised of 30+ dedicated men and women competing in tournaments year-round through out the southeast. Both teams are members of the SCC water polo conference. The men's team has a record of 5-3 on the season while the women placed 3rd and 2nd in tournaments in Florida and Georgia, respectively. The team has worked hard all season to prepare themselves for the biggest water polo tournament on the east coast to be held April 8th and 9th at Koury Natatorium. The 2000 Tarheel Spring Invitational, sanctioned by United States Water Polo, brings 24 teams to Chapel Hill to compete for 2 full days. Games run from 7 am until 6 pm on Saturday and 7 am until 4 pm on Sunday. Some teams include: UVA, VT, JMU, JHU, NCSU, UF, Auburn, GT, USNA, and Emory.

For further information please contact Paige McCarthy at 942-7307 or pmccarth@email.unc.edu.

### Other Sport Clubs Action:

Men's and Women's Alumni Rugby contest:

Saturday, April 8th  
Contact: Katie Ruhl at 933-2131 or Justin Eldreth at 960-0813

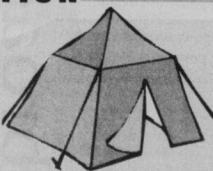
Women's Soccer vs. Clemson

Saturday, April 8th  
Contact: Caroline Hope at 933-4876



## Carolina Adventures

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Carolina Adventures is busy preparing its newest addition, the Kerr Lake Recreation Area, for a phenomenal camping season. This beautiful 230 acre, lakeside property is just 90 minutes from Chapel Hill. If you're interested in camping, boating, hiking or a group retreat, contact Campus Recreation ASAP...sites are expected to fill up fast.



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