

All-Star game features Blue Jays vs. NL

BALTIMORE (AP) — Cito Gaston pulled out his lineup card and read out loud: Leading off, Roberto Alomar of the Blue Jays.

Batting second, Paul Molitor of the Blue Jays. Batting fourth, Joe Carter of the Blue Jays. Batting fifth, John Olerud of the Blue Jays. Then he paused.

"So I guess I have some questions to answer," the Toronto manager said.

Welcome to this year's All-Star game. Best of the Blue Jays vs. the best of the National League.

In all, Gaston is taking seven of his Toronto players to Tuesday night's game. That's one-quarter of the American League roster that, by the way, does not include more than two members from any other team.

"One thing about this job you will learn," Gaston said of managing in the All-Star game, "people will criticize you."

Gaston heard it from the sellout crowd at Camden Yards, too, when he was booed by the fans who had come to watch batting practice.

"It doesn't bother me. I'm used to it," he said. "Like I've said, six of those guys are world champions, and the other guy (Molitor) is a Hall of Famer."

Another future Hall of Famer — known for fastbreaks, not fastballs — highlighted Monday's workouts.

Michael Jordan hit one ball into the left-field seats at a morning batting practice but did not come close in 20 swings during a celebrity home run contest. Tom Selleck, however, cleared the 25-foot high scoreboard in right field.

"It's hard. I'm used to seeing the ball on the tee," Jordan said.

One slugger who was missing was Detroit's Mickey Tettleton, who leads with the AL with 24 homers and is second with 73 RBIs. He was off while Molitor (.307, 10 homers, 55 RBIs) made it.

"Tettleton is a catcher and Molitor is a designated hitter and a first baseman," Gaston said Monday.

Or perhaps Baltimore reliever Gregg Olson

Starting lineups

BALTIMORE (AP) — The starting lineups and pitchers for Tuesday night's All-Star game at Camden Yards:

National League

Marquis Grissom, cf, Montreal.
Barry Bonds, lf, San Francisco.
Gary Sheffield, 3b, Florida.
John Kruk, 1b, Philadelphia.
Barry Larkin, ss, Cincinnati.
Mark Grace, dh, Chicago.
David Justice, rf, Atlanta.
Darren Daulton, c, Philadelphia.
Ryne Sandberg, 2b, Chicago.
Starter: Terry Mulholland, Philadelphia.

American League

Roberto Alomar, 2b, Toronto.
Paul Molitor, dh, Toronto.
Ken Griffey Jr., cf, Seattle.
Joe Carter, rf, Toronto.
John Olerud, 1b, Toronto.
Kirby Puckett, lf, Minnesota.
Cal Ripken, ss, Baltimore.
Wade Boggs, 3b, New York.
Ivan Rodriguez, c, Texas.
Starter: Mark Langston, California.

(23 saves, 1.24 ERA) instead of Toronto's Duane Ward (22 saves, 2.17 ERA). Or maybe Oakland outfielder Rickey Henderson (.307, 28 stolen bases) rather than Toronto's Devon White (.289, 19 SB).

Alomar, Olerud and Carter were elected starters by the fans. Gaston added the other four Toronto players.

At least Gaston did not pick Blue Jays pitcher Pat Hentgen to start as the AL tries to extend a five-game winning streak, its longest in a series it trails 37-25-1.

Instead, California's Mark Langston will face Philadelphia's Terry Mulholland.

"The manager, each year, has the final

selection, and all I try to do is make sure he doesn't forget to think about everybody," AL President Bobby Brown said. "I just try to remind him of all the players I think should be considered."

"He knew, obviously, when he picked seven Blue Jays there's going to be a lot of comment on that," Brown said. "But there isn't any Blue Jay on there that's not playing awfully well."

True, the Blue Jays won the World Series last year. And, at 49-40, they have the best record in the league this year, despite losing 10 of the last 11.

But not since Cincinnati manager Sparky Anderson brought seven of his Reds to the 1977 game have so many players from one team been picked. The last AL team with seven was Oakland in 1975, selected by A's manager Alvin Dark.

The most ever from one team was nine by the 1958 Yankees. They were chosen by New York manager Casey Stengel.

Picking your own players, however, is a perk of the position. NL manager Bobby Cox of Atlanta has five Braves, most among NL teams.

Seven times in the last nine All-Star games the AL manager has picked more of his own players than anyone else's.

Mulholland will start instead of the three Atlanta pitchers that Cox brought to Baltimore. The Phillies left-hander will get his third chance this year to face some of the Blue Jays hitters.

Mulholland started the exhibition opener March 6 against Toronto and gave up three runs on four hits in two innings. Alomar and White each got a hit and Carter drove in a run.

Four days later, Mulholland again started against Toronto, holding the Blue Jays hitless for three innings. He gave up a sacrifice fly to Molitor.

"They had a pretty good hitting lineup. I didn't have my best stuff the first time," Mulholland said. "They made a lot of contact."

"I'm looking forward to seeing some of those guys Tuesday night," he said.

OREGON UPDATE

Oregon volleyball coach Gerry Gregory named two assistants to his staff.

Patty Jayne, who headed the volleyball program at Pacific University, was named as the team's assistant coach, replacing Cathy Nelson, who took the head coaching post at Portland State.

Jayne was awarded coach-of-the-year honors in both of her seasons at Pacific, compiling a 34-43 record for the NAIA school.

"(Jayne) brings a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to our program and will provide us with a different dimension this season," Gregory said. "As a fierce competitor and standout setter, she has proven her ability as a player and had demonstrated the proficiency to pass down that expertise from a coaching standpoint."

Jayne earned a bachelor's degree from Portland State in

1989 and was captain of the Viking team that captured a NCAA Division II national championship in 1988. Before she coached at Pacific, she was a graduate assistant at Ohio State and co-directed the Portland State setters camp last summer.

Former University player and current Churchill High School coach Kirsten Frazer joins the Ducks as a restricted-earnings assistant. She guided the Lancers the past five seasons and helped coach the Storm-N-West Volleyball Club elite-14 and under-16 teams the past two years.

"We've had some tremendous assistant coaches here in the past, and I know (Frazer) is going to continue that tradition," Gregory said. "I know she has taken great pride in her ability to communicate with her athletes, and I felt that will be a big bonus to our program."

A Los Angeles native, Frazer graduated from the University with a bachelor's degree in physical education in 1984 and earned a master's degree in 1989. She was voted Oregon's most improved volleyball player in 1980.

"This is a move I've been looking to make for the last few years," Frazer said. "The opportunity comes at a real good time for me, plus it gives me the chance to work with someone I really respect like (Gregory)."

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A British Columbia basketball star has announced her intention to play for the Oregon women's team.

Cindie Edamura, a 5-foot-7 point guard from Westside Secondary School in Kamloops, B.C., was named province player of

the year in 1993 while leading her squad to a 25-1 record and a British Columbia championship. She averaged 17.2 points, 5.6 rebounds, 5.5 assists and 4.5 steals per game her senior year. Edamura also turned the ball over only 74 times in 25 games.

"(Edamura) is a very solid, all-around player who possesses all the skills of a true point guard," Duck coach Jody Runge said. "She is extremely quick and utilizes great court vision at all times, demonstrating the proficiency as an outstanding ball handler who is able to penetrate the lane as well as pass and shoot."

The two-year starter, who was named MVP in three of the school's four regular-season tournaments her senior year, also achieved all-provincial recognition in volleyball and soccer last year, in addition to graduating with a 4.0 GPA.

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