

Glavine keeps bats quiet in 1-hitter over Colorado

The lefty improved his record to 6-2 with the 1-hit, 4-0 victory over the Rockies

By Peter Botte New York Daily News (KRT)

NEW YORK — Tom Glavine spun around — but otherwise offered little outward reaction — as the ball soared toward the right-field corner and crashed into the bottom of the outfield wall. Moments later, more than 37,000 fans and everyone in the New York Mets dugout rose to their feet in applause and admiration after Kit Pellow's eighth-inning double once again denied history at Shea.

Glavine fell four outs shy of hurling the elusive first no-hitter in team history, but he still penned the franchise's 27th one-hit masterpiece Sunday as the Mets reached .500 (22-22) with a 4-0 blanking of the Rockies.

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> Tom Glavine New York Mets pitcher

"It's been building, but today was

SPORTS BRIEF

Four future Ducks to play for USA

Four of Oregon head coach Ernie Kent's five recruits will play for Team USA in the 2004 Global Games.

All four freshmen signed by Kent this season — Detroit's Malik Hairston, Redmond's Maarty Leunen, Richmond, Texas' Chamberlain Oguchi and North Hollywood, Calif's Bryce Taylor — will suit up for USA in the games, which will be held in Dallas from June 27 through July 3 at Southern Methodist University.

The four follow in the footsteps of former Ducks Luke Ridnour and Luke Jackson who have played in past games.

The USA roster is comprised of 17 high school players from throughout

the country, who all but one have recently finished their senior seasons. Arizona recruit Jawaan McClellan and Arizona State's Tim Pierce comprise the other members of the team set to play for Pacific-10 Conference schools next season.

probably my best day as a Met ... one

of those special days you always re-

member," said the 38-year-old Glavine, who hasn't tossed a no-no

among his 257 major-league victories. "I don't ever expect to throw a no-hit-

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Hall of Fame lefthanders in the Na-

tional League, with Art Howe chiming

in that "age has ceased to be a factor

throughout baseball." Glavine's gem

came five days after 40-year-old

Randy Johnson authored a perfect

"With Randy's perfect game,

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It was a memorable week for future

not me?' It just didn't happen.'

game against the Braves.

In addition to Jackson, 2004 collegiate All-Americans Lawrence Roberts, Jameer Nelson and Chris Duhon have all played for the team. — Hank Hager

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Kruse compiled a 25-5 record this season while competing in the Sun Belt Conference. The German native's biggest victory this season was over No. 16 Aibika Kalsarieva of Kentucky, and she comes into today's pairing with a nine-match winning streak.

Oregon head coach Nils Schyllander thinks Panova's recent slide which included a singles loss to Washington — will stop at the tournament. "Daria is in very good shape and it will come down to what she does on the court and the adjustments her opponent will have to make to her game," Schyllander said.

Panova, ranked 12th in the country, did not receive a top-16 seeding, giving her a possible second-round matchup against No. 14 Jelena Pandzic, the third seed in this tournament. Pandzic, a freshman at Fresno State, is 24-1 this season, including two wins over No. 1 Raquel Kops-Jones of California and victories over seventh-ranked Amber Liu of Stanford and ninth-ranked Agata Cioroch of Georgia.

Meanwhile, Dieskova's first-round opponent will be fellow Pacific-10 Conference invitee and freshman Theresa Logar of Stanford.

Logar, ranked 40th in the nation, played in the No. 5 position for Stanford and compiled one of the best win-loss records in the country, going 33-3. Two of her three losses came to an Oregon player this season. Panova beat her in the Pac-10 tournament and the indoor tournament.

The left-handed Logar brings a lot of experience to the court against Dieskova. The Michigan native participated in the 2003 U.S. Open after earning an automatic berth by winning the United States Tennis Association's 18-and-under Super Nationals.

Dieskova also has experience in the realm of tournament play. As a

junior player in her native homeland of Slovakia, she won singles championships at the 16-and-under and 14and-under levels and finished third in the Junior World Championships in 1998.

Schyllander believes Dieskova's international experience will help her in the tournament.

"I think she is very experienced in tournament play and is very motivated to do well," Schyllander said. "She didn't play very well last week so I think this is going to motivate her."

With her six-foot frame and dominating serve, Schyllander thinks Dieskova could do very well in the tournament.

"If she serves big, it will be hard for anybody to beat her," he said.

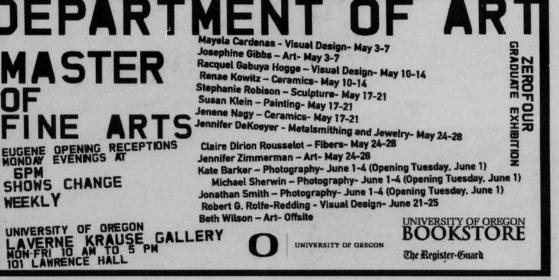
Decision making could be key in the tournament for Dieskova.

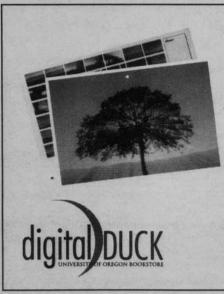
"If I find my opponent's weakness, make quicker decisions and become more aggressive, I think I can do well," Dieskova said.

This year's tournament marks the second consecutive year the Oregon women have sent two players to the event. Panova believes it helps to have at least two players in the field.

"It makes a big difference because we can practice against each other and you have a friend there all the time," Panova said.

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