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News Tidbits in the World of Sports

The N.B.A's preseason schedule, which this year includers 111 games, gets underway tonight with three contests, including the NY Knicks representing the league at the fourth annual McDonald's Open in Barcelona, Spain.



The Knicks will face Scavolini Pesaro, the Italian League champion, in the opening contest. Other games slated for tonight are Orlando hosting San Antonio and Phoenix playing host to the Denver Nuggets at Arizona State University in Tempe. The defending World Champion Detroit Pistons open up tomorrow against the Clippers (U. of Nebraska) and the TrailBlazers open in Hawaii against a much-changed Los Angeles Lakers. The Scavolini Pesaro team features two ex-NBA players. Darren Daye, 6'8", played with Washington, Chicago, and Boston. He averaged 6.8 points in 328 games. Former

University of Portland standout Darwin Cook is the other American on the team. His 19.8 scoring average is second to Daye's 24.0 average. Cook averaged 9.5 points per game playing with New Jersey, Washington, San Antonio, and Denver. He played eight years 9612

Rumor has it (so do wire service reports) in Los Angeles that Magic Johnson took a pay cut to put the Lakers under salary cap in order to solidify the Terry Teagle trade with the Gold State Warriors. The Lakers, in great need to improve their bench production, secure Teagle without complications thanks to Johnson's lack of ego. Teagle averaged 16.0 point per game for Don Nelson last season. He wanted to play for a contender and Magic wants to stay a contender..great combination.

The 1990 Q-Rating, a survey compiled once a year that rates popularity and appeal of professional sports athletes, was released recently. In a listing of the Top 12 athletes, the NBA was represented by six former and present players. Michael Jordan was number one, Magic Johnson was number three, Isiah Thomas was number five, Julius "Dr. J" Irving was number six, Dominique Wilkins number eight, and James Worthy number nine. Six out of twelve spots is not bad. It also says something about how popular the NBA is and the market of articulate athletes.

Pat Riley, who led the L.A. Lakers to four NBA titles as head coach and has since joined NBC for coverage of the NBA, was recently presented with the Jack McMahon Coaches Award at the league's annual meetings (Boca Raton, FL-Sept. 13-16) by McMahon's widow, Kay. The annual award is presented on behalf of the NBA Coaches Association to atn NBA coach in recognition of his contributions to the league. It is named in honor of McMahon, who died on June 11, 1989 after more than 36 years in the NBA as a player, coach, and administrator. It was McMahon who drafted Riley for the then San Diego Rockets in 1967 and served as his first professional coach. Riley, the winningest coach in playoff history (102), also won the Red Auerback Trophy as Digital's NBA Coacj of the Year this past season. He retired this



Saturday, October 13: NBC Sports will telecst the Knicks game live beginning at 3:30 EDT, when New Yok faces either Barcelona or POP 84 Split. Mary Albert will handle the play-byplay, Mike Fratello will serve as the analyst and Portlander Steve Jons will cover the courtside activities. NBC is associated with KGW-TV 8.

Make no mistake, PSU's Delgardo is back

by AARON FENTRESS

Last Saturday PSU running back Curtis Delgardo exploded for a personal high of 225 yards on 24 carries against Sacramento state. After five games the Vikings stand at 4-1 and Delgardo has already compiled 698 yards rushing and eight touchdowns. For Delgardo times couldn't be better. But a year ago this month times couldn't have been worse for the all-american running back who experienced a career threatening injury.

Having had compiled over 500 all-purpose yards in the first two games of the 1989 season Delgardo was off and running. Then, just as quickly as the season had began for Delgardo it ended. During the third game, in the second quarter and on the first play Delgardo broke his ankle. The injury left Delgardo with a lot of things to think about.

"I tried to keep my mind straight and think about school," said Delgardo. "But it was hard being on the sideline watching my teammates play when I couldn't be out there with them."

While concentrating on school Delgardo sat and watched the Vikings go through a successful 8-3 season before being eliminated from the Division II national playoffs in the second round. Following the 1989 season Delgardo had to make a decision to either enter the 1990 N.F.L. draft of return to the Vikings as a fifth-year senior for the 1990 college football season.

"My first thought was to just go ahead, fix my leg, and play pro." said Delgardo. thought, no, I need something to fall back on so I decided to stay in school. My main goal is to graduate

and get a degree."

Now that his ankle is fixed Delgardo says it's better than ever. "It feels great," said Delgardo. "I have no worries or fears about it at all."

In three years Delgardo has become PSU's most prolific rusher with over 3,000 yards. In 1987 Delgardo broke PSU's single season rushing record with 1,046 yards only to re-set the record in 1988 with 1,251 yards.



CURTIS DELGARDO

Delgardo also upped his touchdown output from nine in 1987 to 18 in 1988. Under offensive coordinator Al Borges the Vikings offense is patterned after that of the San Francisco 49ers. And like Roger Craig of the 49ers Delgardo is a focal point both rushing and receiving. Delgardo came into the 1990 season with 116 receptions for 1,262 yards and seven touchdowns thus far in his career.

"I like the style of offense we play," said Delgardo. "It gives me a chance to really do what I do best and that's to get into the open field and try and take on defenders one

The statistics for Delgardo are impressive but what's equally impressive is the fashion in which he has reached those numbers. At 5-6, 175-pounds Delgardo is not exactly your prototype running back in the size department. Speed has always been thought to be his saving grace having been timed as fast as 4.45 in the 40-yard-dash. But those who believe speed is his only weapon can easily find themselves lying on their backs with Delgardo's foot prints on their chest. Delgardo packs power.

"I may be small but I'll get the job done," said Delgardo. "If you have the heart and desire then your size won't be a factor."

With six games left in the regular season the Vikings are odds on favorites to make a fourth consecutive trip to the Division II national playoffs. According to Delgardo such accomplishments are not a focal point just a reality when the other things are taken care of.

"I just want to play my best and give everything I have in my last year," said Delgardo. "Then when I do that all the other things will just fall into place like they have in the

When Delgardo's final season is over he plans to try the N.F.L. but has a definite fall back plan. Delgardo is studying Physical Education and Administrative Justice

"I'll see what happens with the draft when it's over," said, Delgardo. "If it works out it works out. If it doesn't then I plan to get into teaching or counseling."

Right now the only thing Delgardo is teaching is the rest of the football world that he's back.

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Aussie Football Comes to Portland

The Australian Football League (AFL) and Foster's Lager have chosen Portland as the American site for the 1990 Foster's Cup Australian rules Football match. Two of the top teams currently performing in the 1990 Australian Rules Football League season will travel to Portland and square off in a battle for the third Foster's Cup championship on Friday, October 12 at 8:00 p.m. at Portland Civic Staduim.

"To be the chosen city for this entertaining event is something the citizens of Portland should be proud of," said Mayor J.E. Bud Clark. "We look forward to showing the Aussies a good time-Portland style-come October." "We're extremely excited and elated to

be host Australian Rules Football in beautiful Portland," said Tim Fennell, manager of the Portland Memorial Coliseum Complex and Portland Civic Stadium. "We'll even entertain thoughts of an Aussie expansion franchise!"

In 1988, Aussie Rules made its United States debut in Miami's Joe Robbie Stadium as the Collingwood magpies defeated the Geelon Cats 124-78. Last year, the Foster's Cup returned to Miami and saw the Essendon bombers defeat the Hawthorn Hawks 124-110. Teams for the 1990 Foster's Cup will be chosen following the Grand Final, the "Super

bowl" of Aussie Rules, which takes place during the final week of Septem-

Aussie rules, or "footy" as it is known in Australia, began in 1858 when Thomas Wentworth Wills, a young Aussie from Melbourne, decided that football would be an ideal sport to keep cricket players in condition during the off-season. Now governed by the Australian Football League (AFL), this hybrid between soccer and rugby has developed into a national sport, with games at AFL Park in Victoria regularly attracting crowds in excess of 80,000 fans. The Grand Final, which takes place prior to the Foster's Cup, draws more than 100,000 footy fans each year. The league's 14 teams battle through the regular season for the opportunity to play in the Grand

Aussie Rules is a fiercely competitive and physically demanding game that combines the ability of soccer with punishing strength and toughness found in rugby. The game is built around the kick. A goal can only be scored with a kick that is guided successfully between two of four goal posts at either end of the field. Not only are most players proficient at kicking the ball with either foot, they can also kick it at least 60 yards-often on the dead run.

Car Care Tips from Ted the Technician

Preparing for Winter Driving

weather driving can lead to costly and dangerous breakdowns. So here are some hot tips from the experts passed tough at the non-profit National Insti- tests. They wear tute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) to take the chill out of winter driving.

Plan ahead. Fall is an ideal time to get ready. Read your owner's manual and follow the manufacturer's recommended service inter-

Replace worn wiper blades and keep lots of washer fluid on hand to fight road salts, grit, and other windshield grime.

Replace balding tires with all season radials or snow tires, as conditions warrant. Don't forget to check your spare and make sure the tire jack works.

Have a qualified mechanic check the condition of your battery and cables, plus the radiator, hoses and

If you don't have a regular mechanic, a popular way to find a good one is to look for certification. The National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence (ASE) conducts the only national, industry-wide testing and certification program

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> you'll see better fuel economy. Make certain your heater and defroster are in good working con-

Carry emergency gear: flares, boots, gloves, ice scraper, blanket, shovel, flashlight, tire chains, and a few tools.

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curator of the Black American West oped into a hobby. Over the years, Paul Museum in Denver, Colorado, will be Stewart's hooby has evolved into a nathe guest speaker at a reception for the tional center for research, education, and

Black Cowboy Expert to Kick-off

Black Studies Fundraiser

Paul W. Stewart, founder and began as a personal interest and develno-host bar reception will begin at 5:30 p.m.; at 6:00 p.m. Paul Stewart will narrate a slide show featuring the history of black cowboys and pioneers. Stewart has written two books, entitled "Westward Soul" and "Black Cowboys". He has received the Black Educators United Award, the George Washington Honor Medal and is in "Who's Who in Black America" as well as "Who's Who in Intellectuals of the World".

Documents, letter, scrapbooks, pictures, regalia...all comprise the Black American West Museum collection, which

Friends of Black Studies/Portland State cultural resources on the history of Black University. The event will be held on Americans in the West. Stewart's favor-Friday, November 30, 1990 at the Red ite exhibit is the one focusing on the life Lion/Lloyd Center. The hors d'oeuvre/ of Ferdinand Shavers, a bodyguard to Abraham Lincoln.

The Friends of Black Studies at Portland State University is a newlyformed affiliate of the PSU Foundation. The Friends of Black Studies promoted excellence in the teaching and study of Black history within the University and strives to increase awareness of this resource in the community. Funds raised will be used to support activities such as: supplementing references in PSU library; community outreach; supporting faculty/student research activities; and funds for an annual visiting scholar/speaker.

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