

SPORTS

1992 NBA HONOR ROLL

Edge NBA Most Valuable Player Michael Jordan, Chicago
 IBM NBA Coach of the Year Don Nelson, Golden State
 Coca-Cola Classic NBA Rookie of the Year Larry Johnson, Charlotte
 NBA Most Improved Player of the Year Purvis Ellison, Washington
 NBA Defensive Player of the Year David Robinson, San Antonio
 Miller Genuine Draft NBA Sixth Man Award Detlef Schrempf, Indiana
 Schick Award Dennis Rodman, Detroit
 J. Walter Kennedy PBWAA Citizenship Award Magic Johnson, LA Lakers

ALL-NBA TEAMS

P First Team	Second Team	Third Team
F Karl Malone, Utah	Scottie Pippen, Chi	Chi. Dennis Rodman, Det.
F Chris Mullin, GS	Charles Barkley, Phil	Phil. Kevin Willis, Atl.
C David Robinson, SA	Patrick Ewing, NY	Brad Daugherty, Cle.
G Michael Jordan, Chi.	Tim Hardaway, GS	Mark Price, Cle.
G Clyde Drexler, Port.	John Stockton, Utah	Kevin Johnson, Pho.

NBA-ALL-DEFENSIVE TEAMS

P First Team	Second Team
F Dennis Rodman, Detroit	Larry Nance, Cleveland
F Scottie Pippen, Chicago	Buck Williams, Portland
C David Robinson, San Antonio	Patrick Ewing, New York
G Michael Jordan, Chicago	John Stockton, Utah
G Joe Dumars, Detroit	Micheal Williams, Indiana

NBA ALL-ROOKIE TEAMS

(chosen without regard to position)

First Team	Second Team
Larry Johnson, Charlotte	Rick Fox, Boston
Dikembe Mutombo, Denver	Terrell Brandon, Cleveland
Billy Owens, Golden State	Larry Stewart, Washington
Steve Smith, Miami	Stanley Roberts, Orlando
Stacey Augmon, Atlanta	Mark Macon, Denver

Three Long Hours

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

Getting to my press row seat at Memorial Coliseum, high above Section 106 at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, June 7, ended up being the longest three hours I've spent around any sporting event in over 20 years. The event was the Chicago Bulls' 94-84 win (gift) over the Portland Trail Blazers. This was the worst played NBA Finals game in 10 years. And to make matters worse, the three officials resembled the Three Stooges, and that's bad -- real bad. Curly called traveling, Larry called a charge, and More, was just being Moe! Both teams needed to return to summer camp and re-learn the way basketball is played. The highlight of the day was the conversation on press row. Jeff Gamble of The Scanner on my right, and Ulysses Tucker of the Mt. Tabor News on my left, made it possible for me to persevere for three long, arduous hours. I think you get the idea. Enough said about the game we all missed,

because both teams didn't show up to play. It made me think of an article I read years ago in the New York Times, which goes like this: "Once upon a time, there were four people named Everybody, Somebody, Nobody and Anybody. When there was an important job to be done, Everybody was sure that Somebody would do it. Anybody could have done it, but Nobody did it. "When Nobody did it, Everybody got angry because it was Everybody's job. Everybody thought that Somebody would do it, but Nobody realized that Nobody would do it. "So it ended up that Everybody blamed Somebody when Nobody did what Anybody could have done in the first place." Hopefully, Nobody will play as bad as they played Sunday; Somebody will make the right decisions; Everybody will be proud to say they are NBA players; and the NBA won't let just Anybody officiate the next game.

DID YOU KNOW?

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

Chicago, which entered the NBA in 1966 as an expansion franchise, is making its second trip ever to the Finals, the first coming last year when the Bulls won the title. Portland, which entered the NBA in 1970 as an expansion franchise, is making its third trip to the Finals, having won the title in 1977 and lost to the Detroit Pistons in the 1900 NBA Finals.

The Bulls and Blazers have met only once before in the NBA Playoff history. That came in 1977, when Portland, led by Bill Walton, beat Chicago, led by Artis Gilmore, 2-1 in the First Round en route to their only NBA World Championship. The Blazers won the deciding game at home 106-98 in the hard-fought series.

The Bulls head into the Finals with an 11-5 record in the 1992 NBA Playoffs, 7-2 at home and 4-3 on the road. Portland is 11-4 overall, 8-0 at home and 3-4 on the road.

The Chicago Bulls and Portland Trail Blazers have been the NBA's best teams of the '90s. Over the past three seasons, Chicago has compiled a 183-63 record and a .744 percentage, with Portland at 179-67 for .728.

Chicago and Portland win at home or on the road. At home over the past three years, Chicago ranks second in the NBA at 107-16 for .870 and Portland third at 104-19, .846. Utah is NO 1 at 109-14, .886. On the road Chicago was 31-10 this past season and 76-47 for .618 over the last three years, both tops in the league. Portland was just one game back in second at 75-48 for .610 over that period, including 24-17 in 1992, tied for third in the league.

If the Bulls win, they would divide

\$1,158,750 and the Blazers \$808,750. If the Blazers win, they would divide \$1,033,750 and the Bulls \$933,750.

How important is the home-court advantage in the NBA Finals? The team with the (potential) extra game at home has won 33 NBA Finals and lost 12, a .733 percentage. And the Team with the home-court advantage has won each of the last six NBA Finals.

The importance of the home-court advantage seems to be less when it comes to the series-ending game of the NBA Finals. The deciding game has been won at home 25 times and on the road 20 times.

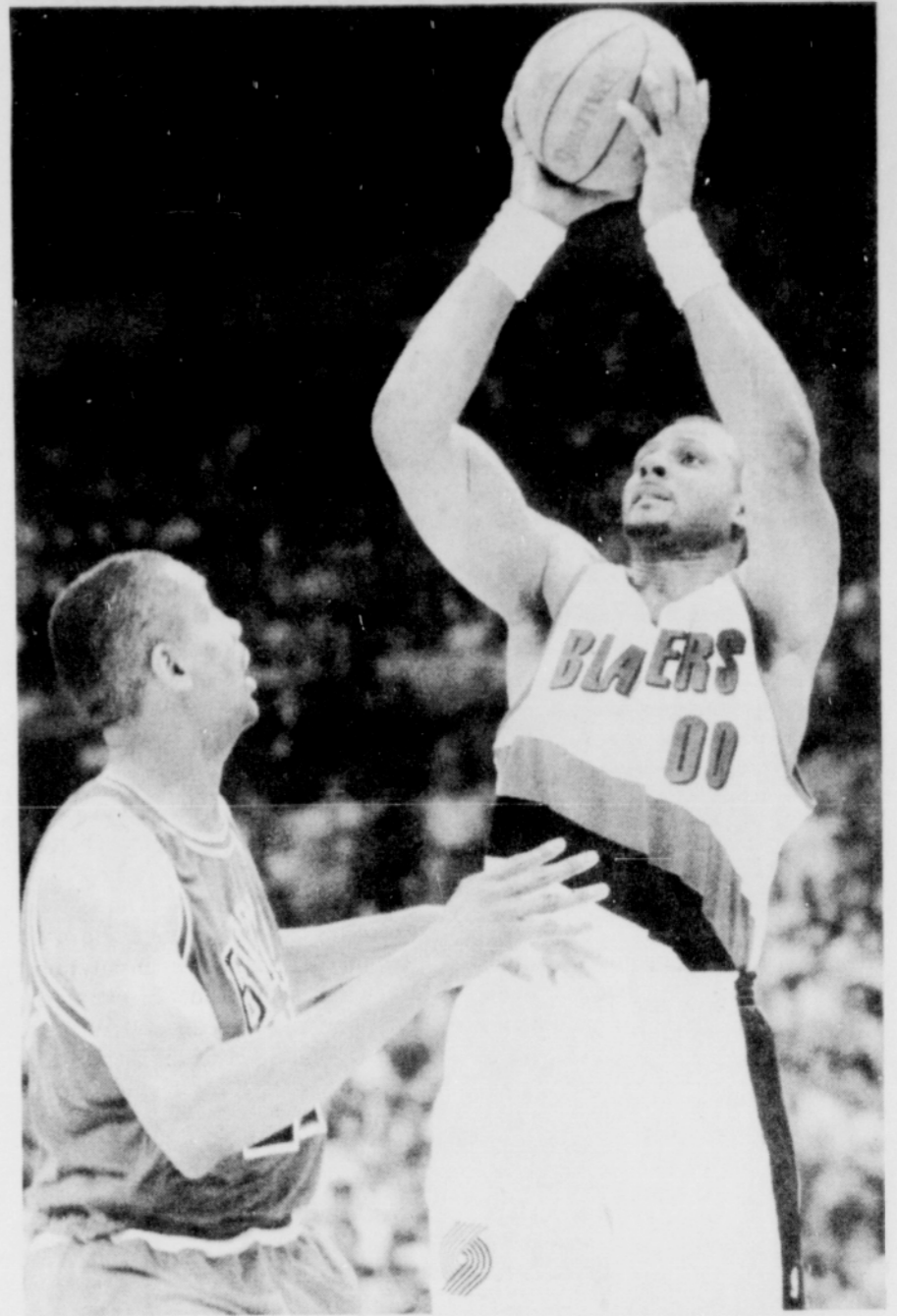
Neither team did well in close games during the regular season. The Bulls were 7-8 in games decided by three points or less, although they were 2-1 in overtime contests. The Blazers were 3-5 in games decided by three or less and 2-4 in overtime.

The Bulls had the fewest shots blocked of any team in the league, 352. The Blazers tied Indiana for the most fouls fouling out of any team in the league, 25.

The Blazers ranked second in the league to New York in rebounding efficiency at .528 while Chicago was fourth at .522.

The Bulls, with Michael Jordan, are bidding to become the sixth team in NBA history to win an NBA title while having the league scoring champion on its roster. Before the Bulls and Jordan did it last year, the only teams to do it were the 1947 Philadelphia Warriors with Joe Fulks, the 1949 and 1950 Minneapolis Lakers with George Mikan and the 1971 Milwaukee Bucks with Kareem Abdul-Jabbar.

From NBA NEWS



One key element that the Blazers hopefully will use to their advantage is the match up between Kevin Duckworth and Bull's center Bill Cartwright. Duckworth is shorter, but he's a lot stronger than Cartwright and can score on him at will. Game 4 is tonight at 6:00 p.m.

1992 DEBUTANTES

DANA WILLIAMS



I stand out because I am an intelligent, beautiful, Black Young Lady and I carry myself in a manner that reflects that. I am very self-confident. Some people think I'm too optimistic, but I feel that if I don't expect the best, then I won't get the best. I could care less about being "Cool" when it comes to things that are against my morals and values. I believe that God has a plan for my life and that is what I want to follow. I know that I could be successful at anything I decide to do, but I also believe that God's way is the best way and I don't want to miss out on any of his blessings in my life.

KEIJO ELYSHA HUNTER



I have been blessed with many talents, but I believe that my most vital attribute is my desire to make an impact on people and to "give back" to my community. This responsibility is every African American's purpose. I take this responsibility to heart and feel that it is my determination to fulfill this actuality that so defines me. The difference between me now and who I will become in the future has less to do with a change of ideals and rather a more comprehensive development of them. What is now my potentiality will later become my actuality.

NICOL ANTOINETTE OLDS



Working at a retirement home has given me a new found respect for senior citizens. Before, I use to joke about people being old, but now I know that everyone is going to get old sooner or later. I plan to pursue a Career in the health care field. I am planning to attend Xavier University in New Orleans, Louisiana. My major is Pre-Med. After four years at Xavier, I will attend graduate school to further my studies in Nursing Anesthesiology.

TALETHA MCKENZIE



Before joining any types of clubs such as the Benson Track Team, The Les Femmes group and study groups, my self-esteem wasn't as high as it is now. I use to wake up in the morning not knowing what the day had in store for me. As I grow, I become wiser and have better judgement. In The Les Femmes I have learned the etiquettes of society, to be on time and to do your best. I consider myself to be an intelligent, young African American woman with a Burning desire to do something in life.

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