

SPORTS

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Sports
ROUND-UP

BASEBALL

Andres Galarraga of the Colorado Rockies was named the National League Player of the Week. Galarraga batted .600 with 15 hits in 25 at-bats. He drove in six runs, scored five, hit two doubles and one homer. He is the first Rockies' player to win the league's weekly honor. ... Toronto Blue Jays first baseman John Olerud was named American League Player of the Week after batting .455 (10 for 22) with a league-high five homer and 11 RBI. He added four doubles and scored seven runs.

CYCLING

Davide Cassani of Italy staged a brilliant solo breakaway to win the 15th stage of the Giro d'Italia cycle race and Spain's Miguel Indurain remained in firm control of the overall standings. Cassani clocked 7 hours 22 minutes 4 seconds, at an average speed of 22.18 mph for the 160 hilly miles from Corvara Alta Badia to the hillside town of Lumezzane in north central Italy. Indurain placed sixth. ... Britain's Milk Race had a rest day. Racing starts again with the eighth stage from Birmingham to Landudno - at 125 miles the longest of the race.

COLLEGE

Grambling State will meet Hampton in the XXIII running of the Whitney M. Young Jr. Memorial Football Classic at Giants Stadium in East Rutherford, N.J., Sept. 25. Grambling, reigning Black College Champion, has made 21 appearances in the Classic, posting a 16-5 record. Hampton, the Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association' champion last season, lost to Grambling 22-3 in the 1990 game.

GOLF

The first event of the Pro Athletes Golf League will be held June 19-20 in St. Louis. The field for the 27-hole, no-handicap tournament at The Country Club at the Legends in Eureka, Mo., will be made up of eight two-man teams competing in a best-of-1 format and will be televised on ESPN. Among the athletes scheduled to compete are Jim Brown, Bill Laimbeer, Rick Barry, Jim Rice, Derek Sanderson, Kenny Easley, Stan Mikita and Joe Theismann.

FOOTBALL

The New York Giants re-signed veteran running back Otis Anderson and lured unrestricted free agent linebacker Michael Brooks, who played the past six seasons in Denver. Anderson will be entering his 15th NFL season at age 36. An unrestricted free agent, Anderson is the No. 8 career rusher in NFL history with 10,273 yards. Brooks, 29, was named a transition player by the Broncos in February but Denver lifted that designation last week, making him free to go. ... The New England Patriots signed defensive tackle Mike Pitts from Philadelphia, making him the third Eagles free agent defensive lineman to leave, following Reggie White and Mike Golic Pitts, 32, played in 11 games and started three last season.

HOCKEY

The Mighty Ducks of Anaheim, who join the NHL as an expansion club next season, have selected burgundy, teal, silver and white as their colors. The Mighty Ducks' home game jerseys will be predominantly white and the road uniforms chiefly burgundy. The crest will contain a white facemask shaped to fit a duck, with crossed yellow hockey sticks centered over the mask.

TENNIS

American Brad Gilbert became the first seed to fall at the \$600,000 Stella Artois Grasscourt Championships in London. Gilbert lost to Javier Frana of Argentina.

TOMMY MORRISON UPSETS
GEORGE FOREMAN IN 12
ROUND UNANIMOUS DECISION

UPI - Tommy Morrison used his 20-year age advantage to outwork George Foreman and win a 12-round unanimous decision Monday night but failed to get the impressive knockout hoped would thrust him to the top of the list of heavyweight contenders.

Foreman said before the fight it would probably be his last. But afterward, the former champion dodged a lot better than he ever did in the ring. "I had a great stay, the judges have spoken," Foreman said. "I had a good time, I enjoyed myself. Now I gotta raise a herd of children.

When asked if he will quit, he said, "I'm still gonna be around." He quickly added he would be around as HBO's boxing commentator but would not say if he would be around as a boxer. The fight never developed into a slugfest as expected. Foreman had trouble punching, Morrison had trouble landing and neither could hurt the other.

Morrison backpedaled most of the way. Foreman, who at age 44 and 256 pounds had 20 years and 30 pounds on Morrison, chased throughout but rarely caught him. Even when Foreman trapped Morrison in the corner, he could not fire. Judge Jerry Roth scored it 118-109, and Patricia Jarman and Dalby Shirley 117-110.

Morrison improved to 36-1 with 32 knockouts in the biggest victory of his

career. Foreman fell to 72-4. His last loss came by decision in a title bout to Evander Holyfield in April of 1991. Morrison was by far more active, throwing 572 punches to Foreman's 400 and outpunching Foreman 260-225. He did not fight a crowd pleasing style, however, and drew boos from the fans at the Thomas and Mack Arena both during the bout and after the decision was announced.

Foreman's right eye swelled up midway through the bout and he put sunglasses on immediately after the final bell. Morrison's left eye was puffy, the result of a thumb in the seventh round.

Morrison won the lightly regarded vacant World Boxing Organization crown but is hoping for a shot at one of the legitimate champions. Lennox Lewis has said he will put his World Boxing Council title on the line against Morrison and split the purses 0-50, but may change his mind about the purse split after Morrison failed to impress. Riddick Bowe, who owns the World Boxing Association and International Boxing Federation titles, also said before the bout he would be interested in fighting Morrison if he wins.

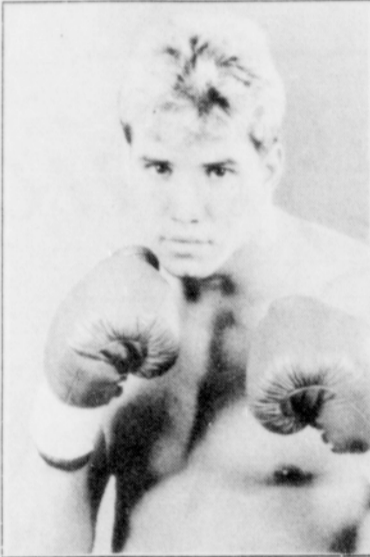
Foreman landed a few good rights but Morrison was quick to move out of trouble every time.

Morrison rarely landed his vaunted left hook, but did nail Foreman with three early in the seventh round. That

was followed by a left uppercut that wobbled Foreman, but Foreman fired back and rocked Morrison with a left hook in the final minute.

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De la Hoya improved to 8-0 with 7 knockouts and Dorsey fell to 12-8-4. Also, junior welterweight Zack Padilla upset Mexican Carlos Gonzalez on a unanimous 12-round decision. Padilla improved to 17-1-1 while 20-year-old Gonzalez fell to 36-1 with 3 knockouts.



Tommy Morrison

Petrovic Dies In Auto
Accident In Germany

Drazen Petrovic

New Jersey Nets star guard Drazen Petrovic was killed in an automobile crash in Germany Monday. He was 28.

Bavarian police said Petrovic was a passenger in a Volkswagen Golf and was travelling with two women from Munich when the car skidded on a rain-slicked highway and slammed into a trailer truck. The accident was just after 5 p.m. German time and occurred on the Autobahn as all three were headed to Munich.

Police said Petrovic was sitting in the front passenger seat when the driver of the car lost control. The car then hit a guardrail separating oncoming traffic and then smashed into the truck. Both 23-year-old women sustained serious injuries.

Petrovic led the Nets in scoring this past season at 22.3 points per game. He was also 11th in the NBA

in scoring and third in three-point field goal percentage with 44.9-Percent. Petrovic was also a proficient free-throw shooter as he was ninth in the league from the charity stripe, making 87 percent of his foul shots. Petrovic played the entire 1992-93 season without a contract for next year and said last month he would probably leave the Nets and play in Europe next season.

Petrovic was a member of the 1992 Croatian silver medal-winning olympic team. He had recently finished playing with Croatia in a qualifying tournament for the European championships in Poland. The championships were scheduled to begin June 22nd in Germany.

The 6-foot-5 Petrovic was selected to the all-NBA third team this past season, his fourth in the league. He had also played with the Portland Trail Blazers.

The Fifth Annual
Celebrity Golf Classic

(The information acquired here in the article was shared by Jeff Sanders, Coordinator for Payless Drugs.)

The celebrity golf classic tournament was founded by the United Cerebral Palsy Association seven years ago.

Jeff Sanders coordinated this very successful event for Payless Drugs. Sanders says that last year's proceeds exceeded \$500,000. It was estimated by Gary Omland that this year's turnout increased by 50 percent over last year's tournament. Over 80 companies participated in sponsoring this event.

The proceeds are divided equally among the charities who will benefit from this endeavor with the exception of the United Cerebral Palsy Association for having founded this popular concept.

Among the many celebrities at the Golf Classic were Portland Trail Blazer Stars: Clyde Drexler, Terry Porter, Jerome Kersey and Trail Blazer staff members. Other famous sports figures such as Joe Namath highlighted the tournament. Chicago Bears' Mike Ditka was scheduled to participate in the Golf Classic, however, another event conflicted with these plans.

Crowds gathered eagerly to engage in a rare opportunity to speak with their sports HEROES and acquire treasured autographs to collectors and fans. It also gives the gratification that the funds spent by each spectator will play a major roll in supporting those organizations that make our communities a dignified structure in our society.

It was approximately 4pm near the fifteenth hole when a golf ball came streaming through a wooded

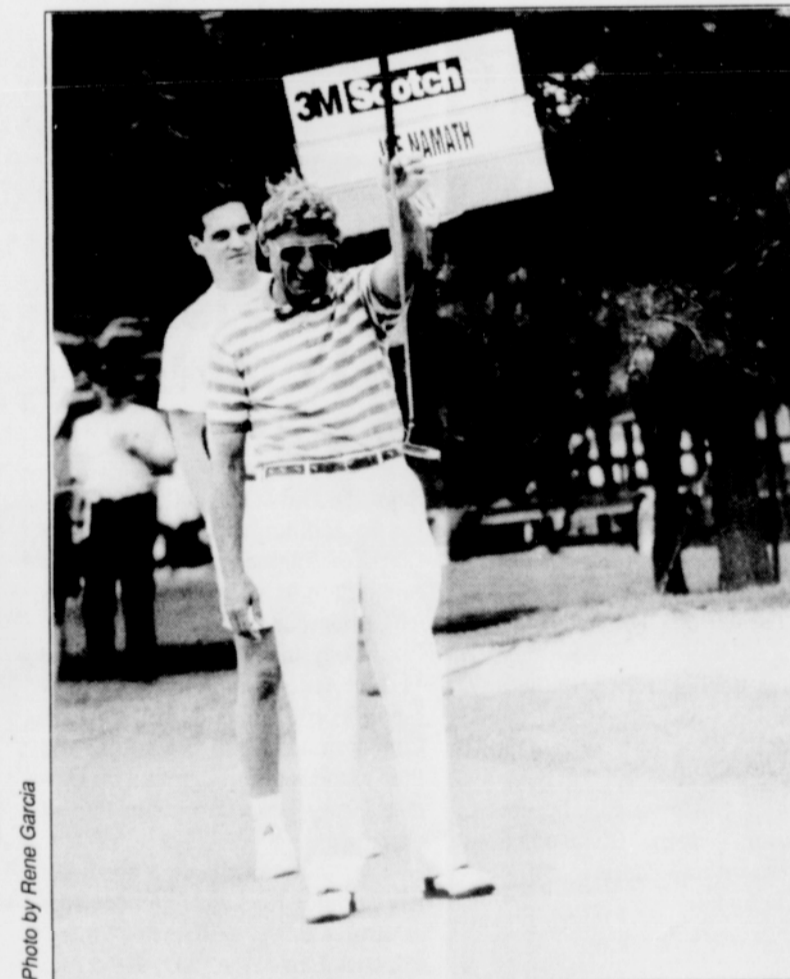


Photo by Rene Garcia

section of the course and landed 100 feet from where I was searching for a star celebrity to interview, when suddenly a golf cart approached from the distance. It was driven by none other than top sports celebrity, Joe Namath. After pointing to the golf ball, Mr. Namath politely requested it's retrieval. Having this opportunity, I asked the Palm Beach celebrity if he had ever visited Portland before. Mr. Namath indicated this was his first

visit here and went on to state, "I like it!"

My next question to this highly sociable quarterback was, "What have you dedicated your life to now?" Mr. Namath answered instantly, "MY FAMILY", with great pride. Mr. Namath approved of my next request with great courtesy and signed the sweat shirt I wore as a souvenir. It was a memorable time that only few shared in joining in this Annual Golf Classic.

The Urban League Of Portland

The Urban League of Portland's Senior Services Department is sponsoring its 21st Annual Fishing Derby, Friday, June 25, 1993 on Sauvie Island from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. It will be a day of fishing, fun and food. Transportation to the Fishing Derby will be provided from the Multicultural Senior Center, 5325 N.E. Martin

Luther King Boulevard. The cost to participate in the Fishing Derby is \$5.00 which covers transportation and lunch.

For more information or to make your reservation, call Pauline Reed, 248-5470 or the activity coordinator at your neighborhood senior center.



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Will The Bulls 3-Peat,
You Bet They Will

BY JOHN PHILLIPS

The Chicago Bulls will try to win the NBA championship for the third time in as many years. The first came over Magic Johnson and the Los Angeles Lakers in 1991. Then, as we all know in 1992 the Bulls beat the Portland Trail Blazers four games to two games for their second title.

Both the Bulls and the Suns had a very tough time getting to the NBA finals. The Bulls lost the first two games of their series with the New York Knicks, and almost everyone said the Bulls could not win four games in a row. But, when you have Michael Jordan on your side, nothing is impossible. The Knicks having home court advantage at the start, lost game five at Madison Square Garden to open the door for Chicago to win game six on the Bulls Home Court 96-88 as Jordan and Scottie Pippen combined for 49 points and the eastern conference title.

In the western conference finals the home court advantage went back and forth. First Phoenix has it, but lost

at home in game two. The Sonics got home to Seattle only to lose game three and give the home court fight back to the Suns. And as it turned out that was all Phoenix needed as they won in their new America West Arena 123-110 behind Barkley's 44 points and 24 rebounds.

The championship finals of the NBA will start in Phoenix because the Bulls will win in Phoenix to take the home court advantage away from the Suns.

Phoenix has no one to match up with Jordan in the back court. While Pippen and Horace Grant have an edge over the Suns in the front court. Barkley will play big, very big, but he will get little help from most of his teammates against Chicago.

I pick Chicago to win the NBA championship over Phoenix in five or six games. The only thing that will keep the Suns close will be a super-human effort by Barkley. He will be super, but only one man wears an "S" on his chest, and he plays for "De-Bulls". You can bet on that!

The NBA Finals

Game 1: Wednesday, June 9, Chicago at Phoenix, 6pm
Game 2: Friday, June 11, Chicago at Phoenix, 6pm
Game 3: Sunday, June 13, Phoenix, at Chicago, 4pm
Game 4: Wednesday June 16, Phoenix at Chicago, 6pm
Game 5: Friday, June 18, Phoenix at Chicago, 6pm
Game 6: Sunday, June 20, Chicago at Phoenix, 4pm (if necessary)
Game 7: Wednesday, June 23, Chicago at Phoenix, 6pm (if necessary)

All games will be shown on Channel 8



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