

SPORTS

National Basketball League First Round Playoffs (Best-of-5)

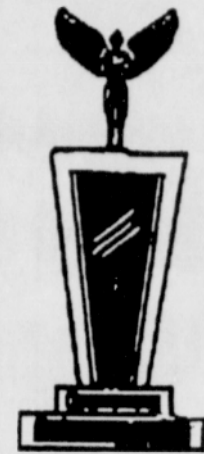
EASTERN CONFERENCE

Chicago vs. New Jersey
Friday, April 24
New Jersey at Chicago, 8 p.m.
Sunday, April 26
New Jersey at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 29
Chicago at New Jersey, 7 p.m.
Friday, May 1
Chicago at New Jersey, TBA, if necessary
Sunday, May 3
New Jersey at Chicago, TBA, if necessary
Miami vs. New York
Friday, April 24
New York at Miami, 7 p.m.
Sunday, April 26
New York at Miami, 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday, April 28
Miami at New York, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 30
Miami at New York, TBA, if necessary
Sunday, May 3
New York at Miami, TBA, if necessary
Indiana vs. Cleveland
Thursday, April 23
Cleveland at Indiana, 8 p.m.
Saturday, April 25
Cleveland at Indiana, 1 p.m.
Monday, April 27
Indiana at Cleveland, 7 p.m.
Thursday, April 30
Indiana at Cleveland, TBA, if necessary
Sunday, May 3
Cleveland at Indiana, TBA, if necessary
Charlotte vs. Atlanta
Thursday, April 23
Atlanta at Charlotte, 7 p.m.
Saturday, April 25
Atlanta at Charlotte, 8 p.m.
Tuesday, April 28
Charlotte at Atlanta, 8 p.m.
Friday, May 1
Charlotte at Atlanta, TBA, if necessary
Sunday, May 3
Atlanta at Charlotte, TBA, if necessary

WESTERN CONFERENCE

Utah vs. Houston
Thursday, April 23
Houston at Utah, 9:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 25
Houston at Utah, 10:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 29
Utah at Houston, 9:30 p.m.
Friday, May 1
Utah at Houston, TBA, if necessary
Sunday, May 3
Houston at Utah, TBA, if necessary
Seattle vs. Minnesota
Friday, April 24
Minnesota at Seattle, 9:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 26
Minnesota at Seattle, 9 p.m.
Tuesday, April 28
Seattle at Minnesota, 9:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 30
Seattle at Minnesota, TBA, if necessary
Saturday, May 2
Minnesota at Seattle, TBA, if necessary
L.A. Lakers vs. Portland
Friday, April 24
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 10:30 p.m.
Sunday, April 26
Portland at L.A. Lakers, 3 p.m.
Tuesday, April 28
L.A. Lakers at Portland, 10:30 p.m.
Thursday, April 30
L.A. Lakers at Portland, TBA, if necessary
Saturday, May 2
Portland at L.A. Lakers, TBA, if necessary
Phoenix vs. San Antonio
Thursday, April 23
San Antonio at Phoenix, 10:30 p.m.
Saturday, April 25
San Antonio at Phoenix, 3:30 p.m.
Monday, April 27
Phoenix at San Antonio, 9:30 p.m.
Wednesday, April 29
Phoenix at San Antonio, 8 p.m., if necessary
Sunday, May 3
San Antonio at Phoenix, TBA, if necessary

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Reggie White Decides To Play Again

Just two days after he announced his retirement, Reggie White has changed his mind and intends to play for the Green Bay Packers next season.

"I have re-evaluated my decision," White said in a statement released by the Packers on Tuesday. "I decided I would not retire and that I would play one more year."

On Sunday, the 36-year-old defensive end said he was retiring because of a bad back. He had planned a farewell news conference in Green Bay on Wednesday.

The NFL's all-time leading sacker, nicknamed the minister of defense, said he would explain why he changed his mind at the news conference, which is still planned as scheduled.

White had 11 sacks last year, giving him 176 1/2 for his 13-year career.

He was selected to the Pro Bowl for a record 12th consecutive time despite an ailing back that limited him to part-time duty, and a case of walking pneumonia the last month of the season.

White helped lead the Packers to two consecutive Super Bowl appearances, including the team's 35-21 victory over New England in 1997. The team lost this year to the Denver Broncos.

A member of the NFL's 75th anniversary all-star team, he joined the Packers in 1993 for four years and \$17 million after eight seasons with the Philadelphia Eagles as the first big-name free agent to switch teams.

White recently was criticized for a speech to Wisconsin lawmakers in which he spoke in racial stereotypes and assailed gay lifestyle.

Irwin Wins 3rd Straight PGA Seniors

For the past three years, Hale Irwin has done nothing less than dominate the PGA Seniors' Championship.

He was 35 under par and averaged 69.1 strokes for his last 12 rounds on the 6,722-yard Champion course at PGA National Golf Club. On Sunday, Irwin became the first man since World War II to capture three straight titles with a 2-under 70.

Still, he does not want people to be misled by the numbers.

"I think people look at it and say, 'Well, it was a cake walk,'" he said. "It wasn't. I played very, very well."

Irwin started his final round with a birdie and added two more at 6 and 11 for a 275 total and a seven-stroke victory over Larry Nelson, who had

a closing 72.

With Irwin's commanding lead, there was little room for drama.

"It was like two different tournaments going on - it was seeing how well Hale would play and seeing how well Nelson would finish second," Nelson said.

Nelson and Gil Morgan provided the only true competition of the day: A race for second place - which was worth \$60,000 more than third - that lasted until the final putt on No. 18.

SPORTS STANDINGS 1998 SPRING STANDINGS

BASEBALL

Team	W	L	To
Madison	8	0	
Roosevelt	7	1	M
Cleveland	5	3	M,R,W
Grant	5	3	M,R,F
Lincoln	5	3	G,C,M
Franklin	4	4	C,R,L,W
Wilson	3	5	G,L,M,J,M,R
Marshall	2	6	F,L,G,M,R,C
Benson	1	7	
Jefferson	0	8	C,R,F,M,G,L,W

MENS TENNIS

Team	W	L	To
Lincoln	5	0	
Benson	5	1	W
Grant	5	1	L
Wilson	5	2	G,L
Roosevelt	4	3	W,L,G
Cleveland	3	4	R,G,W,B
Marshall	2	4	F,L,C,B
Franklin	2	5	
Madison	1	6	G,C,B,R,W
Jefferson	0	6	

MENS TRACK

Team	W	L	I
Benson	3	0	
Franklin	3	0	
Cleveland	2	1	
Grant	2	1	
Wilson	2	1	
Lincoln	1	2	
Madison	1	2	
Marshall	1	2	
Jefferson	0	3	
Roosevelt	0	3	

MENS GOLF

Team	W	L	I
Franklin	5	0	
Cleveland	4	0	
Lincoln	4	1	
Wilson	3	1	
Grant	2	2	
Roosevelt	2	2	
Benson	2	3	
Madison	1	4	
Marshall	0	4	
Jefferson	0	6	

SOFTBALL

Team	W	L
Franklin	8	1
Wilson	8	2
Madison	7	2
Benson	6	3
Cleveland	6	3
Marshall	5	4
Lincoln	4	5
Grant	3	6
Roosevelt	3	6
Jefferson	0	18

GIRLS TENNIS

Team	W	L
Lincoln	7	0
Cleveland	6	1
Grant	4	2
Marshall	4	2
Wilson	4	2
Franklin	3	4
Benson	2	5
Madison	1	5
Roosevelt	1	5
Jefferson	0	6

GIRLS TRACK

Team	W	L
Benson	3	0
Grant	3	0
Lincoln	3	0
Cleveland	2	1
Wilson	2	1
Franklin	1	2
Jefferson	1	2
Madison	0	3
Marshall	0	3
Roosevelt	0	3

GIRLS GOLF

Team	W	L
Lincoln	3	0
Franklin	1	0
Benson	2	1
Cleveland	1	1
Wilson	1	1
Grant	0	2
Roosevelt	0	3

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