

# SPORTS BRIEFS

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## Falcons vs. Broncos looks like a Super matchup

### Duval Ties Record 59 to Rally for Hope Victory

LA QUINTA, Calif.- Behind those wraparound sunglasses and his similarly cool demeanor, golf's hottest player was pumped.

David Duval hit a magic number Sunday a round of 59 that matched the best score in PGA history.

Duval, uncannily accurate in every phase of the game, surged from seven strokes off the pace to win the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic. When he rammed his 8-foot eagle putt dead-center into the cup on the final hole, the usually stoic Duval let go, pumping his arm several times, then raising both arms in celebration.

### Bears Go With Choice No. 2

LAKE FOREST, ILL.- It took the NFL's oldest franchise two tries, a public relations disaster and a really red face to figure out the right way to hire a new coach.

Announcing Dave McGinnis' hiring before offering him the job? Wrong way. Getting second-choice Dick Jauron? Right way.

The Chicago Bears introduced Jauron as their new coach Sunday, one day after McGinnis withdrew his name and flew back to Phoenix, still upset the Bears had announced his hiring before he'd been offered the job.

### Gretzky Lives Up to Billing as Great One

TAMPA, Fla.- Wayne Gretzky couldn't say if he'd played in his last All-Star game. When you're two days away from your 38th birthday and still play as well as he does, you don't rush retirement.

The NHL's career goals, assists and points leader was a surprise starter Sunday and walked away with his third MVP award after scoring one goal and assisting on two others in North America's 8-6 victory over the World on Sunday. Gretzky acknowledged that during the game, he had thoughts about it possibly being his last All-Star appearance.

### Davenport-Williams quarterfinal clash set at Australian Open

MELBOURNE, Australia-For the second straight year, top seed Lindsay Davenport and fellow American Venus Williams will slug it out in the Australian Open quarterfinals after methodically defeating their fourth-round opponents.

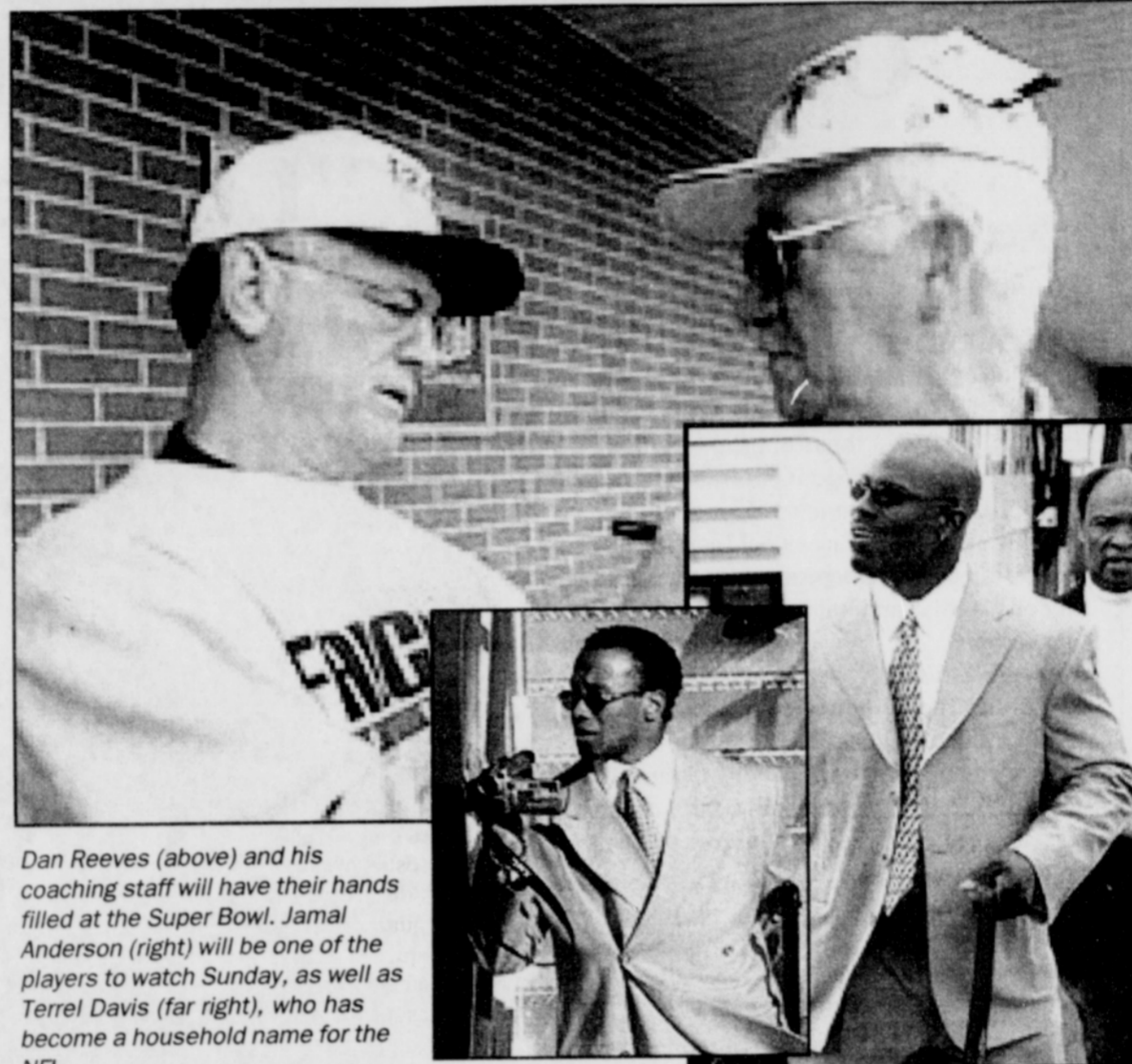
MIAMI, FL.-No, it's not the Stupor Bowl any more. The game finally has come of age. For the last decade, there have been as many exciting Super Bowls as clunkers, a departure from the first 20-plus games, when only three or four were worth watching. And Sunday's game between the Atlanta Falcons and Denver Broncos figures to be competitive again.

Denver, the defending champion, is favored by only a touchdown, largely because the Falcons were 14-2 during the regular season and proved themselves by winning at Minnesota last week. But Atlanta also has another incentive, one that was rekindled last week, with Falcons coach Dan Reeves on one side and Broncos coach Mike Shanahan and quarterback John Elway on the other.

Reeves, who coached Denver for 12 seasons, believes Shanahan and Elway got him fired by the Broncos after the 1992 season.

"It would probably mean more to him getting the Super Bowl trophy against us because he was here and the way he was dismissed and all the things that have circulated about his career here," Denver tight end Shannon Sharpe says of Reeves. "It would give him more ammunition if he could get it against us."

Then there's history. Elway, win or lose, is almost sure to retire after 16 glorious NFL seasons. The



Dan Reeves (above) and his coaching staff will have their hands filled at the Super Bowl. Jamal Anderson (right) will be one of the players to watch Sunday, as well as Terrel Davis (far right), who has become a household name for the NFL.

Broncos, naturally, will use the "win one for John" angle to get him a second consecutive ring. Elway will be starting his fifth Super Bowl, the most by any quarterback. But history says it will also be a good, competitive game, as it has been in the last three Super Bowls last year's a 31-24 victory by Denver over Green Bay that broke a 13-game losing streak for the AFC.

Three of those were by Denver, coached by Reeves, which lost by an average of 32 points in 1987, 1988 and 1990. The game in between in 1989 broke the trend of Super Bowls — a 20-16 victory by San Francisco over Cincinnati 10 years ago at Pro Player Stadium, then known as Joe Robbie Stadium. That was the game in which Joe Montana drove the 49ers 92 yards in the final 3 minutes, 20 seconds, capping the comeback with a 10-yard TD pass to John Taylor with 34 seconds left.

"TO FINALLY COME AND SHOW them is unbelievable," Elway said at the time. "You wonder if you're going to run out of years. But, fortunately, I hung on. All the questions we've been answering for the last 17 years, it makes it that much sweeter."

This year, the Falcons face the questions. After 33 years as a franchise, they're two steps farther than they've ever gone. Add Reeves' feud with the Broncos and it adds up to another game that lives up to its name.

## Blazers Promote Cam Wilson To Director Of Executive Suite



(Above) Cam Wilson

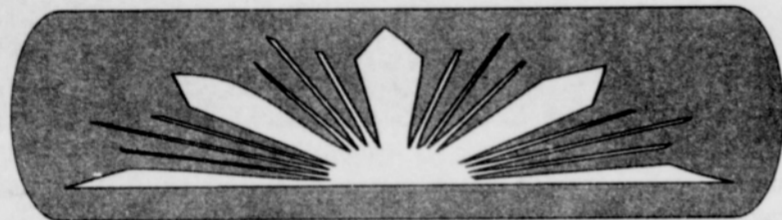
The Portland Trail Blazers and Oregon Arena Corporation announced Thursday that they have named Cam Wilson as the new director of executive suite and preferred seat sales.

"Cam has been a member of the sponsorship sales staff for over four years and has proven to be a valuable member of the Blazers organization. He has an outstanding sales background from serving many years in Oregon and Washington TV station management, and we believe he will do an excellent job," said Harry Hutt, senior vice president of marketing operations.

Wilson will oversee the sales efforts of all executive suites and preferred seating for the Portland Trail Blazers and the Rose Garden arena.

Wilson began his career with the Blazers in 1994 as a Corporate Sales Manager. Prior to joining the Blazers, Wilson was the Vice President and General Sales Manager of KMTR-TV in Eugene for nine years. Earlier in his career, he held positions in broadcast sales, marketing and management with regional and national radio/TV sales marketing organizations, including Katz Broadcasting Marketing, Simpson Reilly & Associates, Camco Broadcast Sales and KIXI AM/FM - Seattle.

A native of Seattle, WA, Wilson and his wife, Perce, both avid skiers, live in Beaverton and have two married sons and four grandchildren who live in the Portland area.



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Features the music of local musicians, jazz and blues from the area.

### SPORTS STANDINGS WINTER STANDINGS 1998/99

BOYS BASKETBALL	W	L	TO
Benson	7	0	
Cleveland	6	1	J
Jefferson	6	1	B
Wilson	4	3	B,C,J
Franklin	3	4	B,C,J,W
Roosevelt	3	4	B,C,J,W
Grant	2	5	
Marshall	2	5	
Lincoln	1	6	
Madison	1	6	

GIRLS BASKETBALL	W	L	TO
Jefferson	7	1	B
Lincoln	7	1	J
Benson	6	2	M,W
Wilson	6	2	J,L
Grant	5	3	B,J,L
Madison	4	4	G,J,L,W
Franklin	2	6	
Cleveland	1	7	
Marshall	1	7	
Roosevelt	1	7	

BOYS SWIMMING	W	L	To
Lincoln	6	0	
Benson	5	0	B,W
Grant	4	2	
Cleveland	3	3	F,G,L
Wilson	2	1	L
Franklin	2	4	
Roosevelt	1	3	B,C,L
Madison	1	4	
Jefferson	0	7	

GIRLS SWIMMING	W	L	To
Grant	6	0	
Lincoln	6	0	
Benson	4	1	G
Cleveland	4	2	G,L
Madison	2	4	
Wilson	1	2	G,L
Roosevelt	1	4	
Franklin	1	5	
Jefferson	0	7	

**Peninsula Little League 1999**  
(Serving the Youth of Inne: North and Northeast Portland)

Boys & Girls - 5 to 15 years of age.

**REGISTRATION**

Peninsula Park Community Center — (700 N Portland Blvd.)

Saturday - January 30, 1999 10 am - 2 pm  
Tuesday - February 2, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm  
Thursday - February 4, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm  
Saturday - February 6, 1999 10 am - 2 pm  
Tuesday - February 9, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm

Matt Dishmen Community Center — (77 NE Knott St.)

Saturday - January 30, 1999 10 am - 2 pm  
Tuesday - February 2, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm  
Thursday - February 4, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm  
Saturday - February 6, 1999 10 am - 2 pm  
Tuesday - February 9, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm

Self Enhancement Incorporated (SEI) — (3920 N Kerby St.)

Tuesday - February 2, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm  
Thursday - February 4, 1999 6:30 - 8:30pm  
Saturday - February 6, 1999 10 am - 2 pm

Blazer's Boys & Girls Club — (5250 NE M.L.K. Jr Blvd.)

Tuesday - February 2, 1999 6 pm - 8 pm  
Thursday - February 4, 1999 6 pm - 8 pm

Portland Police Precinct — (449 NE Emerson St.)

Saturday - January 30, 1999 10 am - 2 pm  
Saturday - February 6, 1999 2 pm - 5 pm

**Tee-Ball**  
5 & 6 years old  
For questions please contact Michael Smith 525-8441

**Challenger Program**  
(All ages with special needs)  
For questions please contact Nancy Smith 725-2232 (voice-mail)

**Softball Programs**  
Minor - ages 7 - 9 years old  
Major - ages 10 - 12 years old  
Senior - ages 13 - 16 years old  
For questions please contact Derrick & Lynn Butcher 281-7328

**Baseball Program**  
Farm - ages 7 & 8 years old  
Minor - ages 7 - 9 years old  
Major - ages 10 - 12 years old  
Junior / Senior - ages 13 - 16 years old  
For questions please contact Brian Butcher 735-9158

**Things to bring when you sign-up**  
✓ Birth certificate  
✓ Proof of address  
✓ Oregon Driver License Utility Bill  
✓ Name & Number of Doctor  
✓ Name & Number of Insurance carrier

**Family Rates**  
\$30 for 1 player  
\$50 for 2 players  
\$75 for 3 or more players  
\$5 late fee for sign-ups after February 9<sup>th</sup>