

Four from UNLV qualify at Invite

The UNLV ladies track and field team held the UNLV Invite last weekend for the first home meet in two years. The Lady Rebels made a strong showing as four members of the team earned qualifying marks for the NCAA Championship meet May 30 through June 2 in Durham, North Carolina. In addition to the NCAA qualifiers, two Lady Rebels posted first place finishes.

Junior thrower Karen Weitz captured the javelin event with a throw of 41.52 meters (136 feet, three inches) and teammate Trevaia Williams won the 400 meter hurdles with a time of 59.4 seconds. Williams also posted a win in her heat of the 100 meter relays with a time of 13.6 seconds to qualify for the NCAA's.

Williams also participated in the 400 meter relay with Billie Butler, Maddette Smith and Julie Harrison and earned a second place finish with a time of 45.0 seconds which qualified them for the NCAA Tournament.

Butler finished second in both the long jump and triple jump events to meet the NCAA standards. Butler posted a leap of 6.33 meters (20 feet, nine inches) in the long jump and 12.63 meters (41 feet, six inches) in the triple jump.

UNLV hits the road this weekend for the Mt. Sac Relays in Walnut, California. The meet is hosted by Mt. San Antonio Community College and is the biggest in the Western United States because it brings in top competition from the region.

In Brief

The Hustlin' Rebel baseball Team split a double header with Brigham Young University on Wednesday in Utah.

The team couldn't get the bats going in the first game as they went down to the Cougars 7-2. However, the Rebels came back to win the second game 17-5.

Tory Miran was on the mound for UNLV in the first but couldn't contain BYU's bats. Miran allowed seven runs (four earned) off of 13 hits but managed to strike out five compared to one walk. UNLV's defense also committed three errors.

Doug Vanderweele got the win for the Rebs in the second game to extend his record to 2-2 as the Rebel bats came to life. BYU pitching also contributed as the Cougars went through four pitchers in the game allowing a total of 13 walks.

The Rebels scored their 17

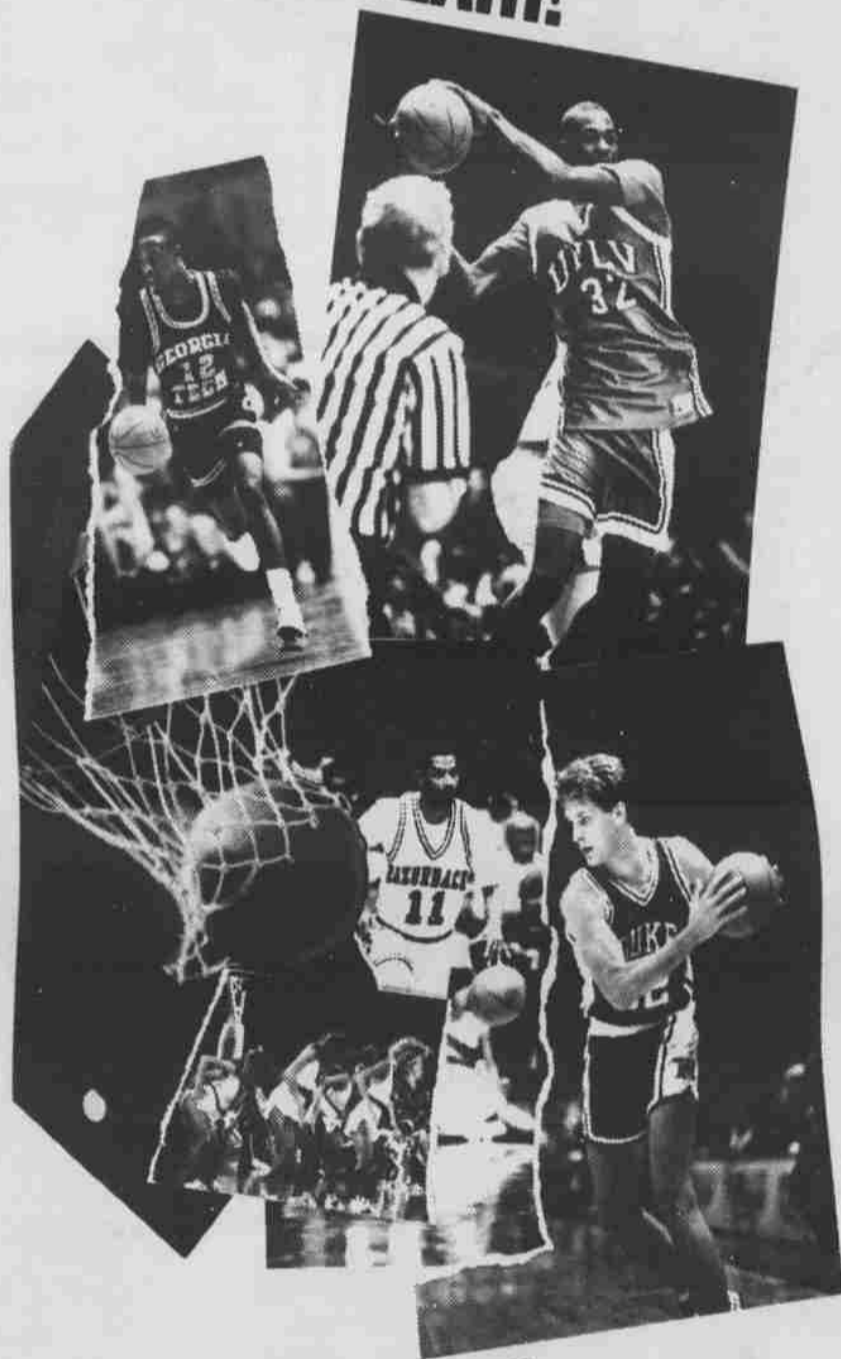
runs off of 15 hits which included two home runs, one by Ernie Perez, his second of the season and Ricky Scruggs who posted his sixth of the season.

Perez, Tim Johnson, Mike Strobel and Lee Reiber all added doubles to UNLV's offensive binge. Rebel defense improved in the second game as they did not allow an error.

The Hustlin' Rebels extended their record to 24-15 overall and maintain a 5-4 record in the Big West. UNLV is sitting pretty in the conference and if they can win some important games on the road this weekend a championship could be within reach.

UNLV travels to Cal State Fullerton for a Big West three game series this weekend. The Rebels will play three games in as many days. Saturday's game will be televised on cable's Prime Ticket at 1 p.m.

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