

Golf coach Knight rejects ASU offer

by Tony Llanos

The UNLV golf program breathed a sigh of relief yesterday as Rebel golf Coach Dwaine Knight removed his name from consideration for the same position at Arizona State University.

"We believe that we have the right person here at UNLV," said a jubilant Jim Weaver, athletic director.

The decision to stay was particularly tough for both Knight and his wife, Debbie. Knight added, "our heads told us to go, but our hearts told us to stay."

The Rebel coach, in his sixth season, also pointed out that he would like to win the national championship.

Also, Knight praised the continuing support from the community and his assistants which were factors on his decision to withdraw his name from the lucrative ASU offer.

"I have the best assistants and great support staff here at



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UNLV. And this is the best coaching position in the nation," said Knight.

Knight vowed to assist his players in getting them through school and assisting those student-athletes with their school fees. These attributes have enabled ASU to build a strong program.

"The money was not a very big priority for me," said Coach Knight about his decision, "but graduating student-athletes is."

Cross country heads to California

The UNLV cross country team will head to Riverside, Calif. Saturday for the UC Riverside Invitational.

The Lady Rebels will battle a number of top teams including CS Fullerton, Loyola Marymount, Pepperdine, San Diego State, and UC Ir-

vine. At the CS Fullerton Invitational on Sept. 12, sophomore Dianne McCarthy led all Lady Rebel runners with an eighth-place finish with a time of 18:39, just 48 seconds off the winning mark. UNLV finished fifth with 152 points at Fullerton.

Charlotte Hornets to sting Las Vegas' Thomas and Mack Oct. 30

The Charlotte Hornets, led by last season's NBA Rookie of the Year Larry Johnson, are en route to the Thomas & Mack Center. But to the dismay of basketball fans in Las Vegas, the former UNLV star and his North Carolina team will not stay permanently.

The Hornets will open with the Portland Trailblazers in a pre-season matchup on Friday, Oct. 30 at 7:30 p.m. The Trailblazers were the runner-ups to the Chicago Bulls in last season's world championship.

Portland is no stranger to the friendly confines of the T & M Center. Last season, the Blazers crushed the Los Angeles Lakers in game five of last year's playoff. The game was moved from Inglewood, Calif., to Las Vegas due to the unrest following the Rodney King verdict.

Tickets may be purchased through the T & M or Ticketmaster. Prices range from \$25, \$15, \$12, and \$10. For more information, call the T & M Center ticket office at 739-3900.



photo by Rob Weidenfeld

The undefeated UNLV Rebels travel to Eugene, Ore., for a non-conference match-up on Saturday afternoon.

Rebels travel north, face Ducks

by Tony Llanos

The UNLV football team, 2-0 in the season and fresh from a big victory (40-7) over Northern Arizona University last Saturday, will travel to Autzen, Ore. to battle Pac-10 foe Oregon (1-2) in a non-conference match-up.

Rebel Coach Jim Strong must lead his undefeated team against a stingy opponent.

"Oregon is a physical football team," the third-year UNLV coach said. "They're (the Ducks) big and strong."

Indeed, the Oregon defense will look to halt any penetration from the UNLV backfield.

In last week's 16-13 victory over Texas Tech, the Ducks lim-



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The Ducks' tailback Sean Burwell looks to throttle the UNLV defense.

ited the Red Raider rushers to only 40 yards.

Oregon's offense is led by tailback Sean Burwell who rushed for 124 yards against Texas Tech. The 5-foot-11-inch junior ranks seventh among all-time rushers for the Ducks with 1,711 yards on 414 carries. Burwell also has the distinction of catching at least one pass in all 22 of his collegiate appearances over the last three years.

Oregon Coach Bill Brooks has begun his 16th season and has compiled an overall career record of 72-95-4.

Last week's Oregon victory over Texas Tech marked the end of the longest Division I losing streak at eight games.

Soccer team hosts Coors Light Invitational

by Greg Quinn

The UNLV soccer team will try to bounce back on the winning track this weekend against the California Golden Bears and the Southern Connecticut State Owls. The event is the UNLV Coors Light Invitational soccer tournament. Play begins at 7 p.m. Friday against the Bears and continues Sunday at noon against the Owls at Peter Johann Memorial Field.

The Rebels are coming off a tough road trip in Fresno, Calif., where they lost their first game of the year against South Alabama 3-1. Despite the loss, the 2-1-3 Rebels are still ranked 17th in the latest Soccer America poll. UNLV will face Cal without leading scorer Thies Carstens (5 goals) and midfielder Ben Callcott, both of whom were red-carded against South Alabama.

The Rebels face an inexperienced Cal team (2-3-0) that lost 11 out of 20 players from last year's 6-10-3 squad. Thus far, the Bears are 2-3 including a 1-0 upset over 14th-ranked

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Pacific Division	Conference			Overall				
	W	L	T	W	L	T		
UCLA	0	0	0	6	0	0		
San Diego State	0	0	0	4	1	1		
UC Irvine	0	0	0	3	1	0		
CS Fullerton	0	0	0	4	2	0		
CS Northridge	0	0	0	3	2	0		
UNLV	0	0	0	2	1	3		
New Mexico	0	0	0	2	2	1		
UC Santa Barbara	0	0	0	1	3	1		
Mountain Division	W	L	T	W	L	T		
Washington	1	1	0	4	1	1		
Stanford	1	1	0	4	2	0		
Sacramento State	1	1	0	4	2	1		
Air Force	1	1	0	2	3	0		
Oregon State	0	0	0	6	1	0		
Fresno State	0	0	0	5	2	0		
San Jose State	0	0	0	2	1	2		
California	0	0	0	2	3	0		

Portland. Top players are midfielders Justin Stockton and Richard Weisman and forward Ben Cross.

The Owls (6-1-0) were the 1990 Division II champions and are currently ranked eighth in the Gatorade/ISAA Division II

poll with a 6-1 record. They have made the NCAA tournament 14 out of 16 years. Returning from last year's 14-4-3 team is a talented defense, anchored by All-NECC selections Nick Booth, Kevin Anderson and Mike Morais.