

Major league weekend comes to Las Vegas

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Minor League baseball in the form of the Triple A Stars has been in Las Vegas since 1982. Las Vegas have seen the development of such future major leaguers as Benito Santiago. But this weekend, area enthusiasts will get a chance to see current big-league stars at Cashman Field as part of the Stars' major league weekend.

Major League weekend will feature teams from Milwaukee, Seattle, both Chicago clubs, and the Stars' parent club, San Diego, as they face off against each other.

"Our focus is to be Las Vegas' team," Stars General Manager Don Logan said. "We try to provide an outlet for the locals.

Major League Weekend April 2-4 Cashman Field

Friday

12 p.m.

Milwaukee Brewers vs.

Seattle Mariners

7:30 p.m.

San Diego Padres vs.

Chicago White Sox

Saturday

12 p.m.

Chicago Cubs vs.

Chicago White Sox

7 p.m.

Las Vegas Stars vs.

San Diego Padres

Sunday

1 p.m.

Stars/Padres split squad vs.

White Sox

"(As far as UNLV students are concerned) we offer an affordable opportunity to come out and see professional baseball. Our emphasis is on the locals and anything we do for the tourists is a bonus."

Locals will get a chance to see such big leaguers as Bo Jackson, Ken Griffey Jr., Robin Yount, Ryne Sandberg, and Gary Sheffield as the action unfolds.

"The family entertainment aspect (of the event) only enhances what we do because we are family entertainment," Logan said.

The Stars will also get in on the action as they will play the Padres and also form a split squad with their parent club in Sunday's finale against the White Sox.

Rebel Rumble

Lady Rebel softball update

The Lady Rebel Diamond-women ran their record to 17-8 with contests at the Cal State Fullerton Pony Tournament last weekend and a conference twin bill at Long Beach State Monday.

UNLV dropped a rain make-up in the quarterfinals against Cal State Northridge, 4-2.

Northridge scored the four runs in the third inning off losing pitcher Amie Stewart.

Kim Smith shut out LBSU, 4-0, in Monday's Big West Conference doubleheader opener. Kim Fritts, Sarah Mallett, Cyndi Parus and Heather Siegel picked up RBI's in the win.

LBSU squeaked by the Lady Rebels, 2-1, in the nightcap.

UNLV is at Pacific Friday and does not return home from their month-long roadtrip until April 13.

Hustlin' Rebels visit 49ers

The 12-13 UNLV baseball team travels to Long Beach, Calif., for a weekend three-game series against the 49ers.

LBSU finished 1992 at 37-20-1 and ranked No. 10 in the nation. The 49ers also won two of three from the Rebels a year ago.

Gray, Rider to compete in college competitions

Former Runnin' Rebel stars Evric Gray and J.R. Rider will participate in the Fifth Annual College Basketball Slam Dunk and Three-point Shooting Championships Sunday.

Rider will be in the slam dunk contest while Gray will participate in the long-ball

shooting competition.

The competition will be held in New Orleans at Tulane University's Fogelman Arena.

All participants must have completed their college eligibility to be able to compete.

A panel of on-site celebrity judges will narrow the eight dunkers down to two finalists. Viewers will then choose the winner based on a phone-in poll.

Dick Vitale and Brad Nessler will co-host the event on ESPN which will air live from 6:30-8 p.m. PST.

Sprintin' Lady Rebels head back to California

UNLV's outdoor track squad, just back from a trip to Cal State Northridge last weekend, will again travel to California Saturday for the Fresno State Relays.

The team sends its entire contingent minus All-American sprinter Crystal Irving.

The Sprintin' Lady Rebels host their only home meet of the year next weekend at the Myron Partridge Tack and Field Stadium on campus.

Last year's outdoor track team, laden with seniors, finished sixth in the nation at the 1992 championships.

Judokas place in local competition

Three members of the UNLV Judo Club competed in the Las Vegas Judo Tournament this weekend with all three placing, head coach Bob Cornely said.

Darrel Matsuyama placed first in the brown belt division while George Rodriguez took second. Rod Barnhill was second in the white belt division.

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mention All-American Edward Fryatt and freshman phenom Riley all are capable of competing for the national individual championship. Last summer Schutte won the U.S. Amateur Links Championship in Brooklyn Park, Minn. earning him an automatic berth in the Masters this April.

"I would really like to see Warren do well in the Masters," Knight said smiling, "I'll be his caddy so I'm sure he'll be O.K."

Knight and the UNLV golf

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team have much to gain from Schutte's performance. The national attention is extremely important for the UNLV program and could boost future recruit-

ing. Knight can only win with a strong showing by his top senior at the game's most prestigious tournament.

A big part of Knights' success has been his team's academic record. Knight counsels his players and tells them how important it is to obtain a degree. All eight UNLV golfers who finished their last season of eligibility also picked up their degree.

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Four Big West Records were broken. Julie Mroziak set a record in the 200 back while Torgerson broke her own Big West record in the 200 breast and Kasvio broke her record in the 400 IM. The 400-medley relay team of Aubrey Truett, Tara Clark, Torgerson and Mroziak also set a Big West Record.

Several UNLV swimmers were Big West Conference Champions in individual events.

Kristina Lutes, 3-Meter Diving; Kasvio, 400 IM; Torgerson, 100 and 200 breast, 200 and 400 medley relay; Truett, 100 back, 200 and 400 medley relay; Mroziak, 200 back, 400 medley relay; Clark, 200 and 400 medley relay; Lynn Welch, 200 medley relay.

Matt Westphal, 200 IM, 800

free relay; Takuo Henmi, 400 IM, 1650 free; Doug Swan, 100 and 200 fly, 200 medley relay, 800 freerelay; Dircks, 100 breast, 200 and 400 medley relay; Sal Castro, 200 medley relay; Derrick Jaastad, 200 medley relay; Calvin Weis, 800 freerelay; John Pink, 800 free relay.

The season leading up to the Big West Conference Championships was very unexpected. After dealing with the tragic death of teammate Brian Fischer in January, the team came together and dealt with the adversity that had been thrown its way.

"After what we dealt with, we learned to keep the world in a little better perspective," Reitz said. "There's more to life than swimming."

Reitz said he was proud of how his team behaved this season.

"The team never let up," Reitz said. "The morale was good and everyone was intense but having

a good time."

The coaching staff is looking forward to more good times next year.

"Although we turned over 10 seniors this season, we developed some good leaders in the swimmers we have for next year," Reitz said. "We're recruiting some great talent which will help a lot also."

Intramurals Corner

BY SCOTT HAVERLOCK

The Sports Officials Association sponsored the UNLV Intramural Preseason Softball Tournament this past weekend which featured 12 teams.

King's Court finished 5-0, clinching the tourney championship Monday with a 12-5 victory over the Jawaiians (5-2).

King's Court dominated its opposition with the exception of an extra-inning 8-7 win over Tau Kappa Epsilon.

After forfeiting its tournament-opening game with King's Court, the Jawaiians recorded five consecutive victories in the loser's bracket before ironically being eliminated by King's Court on the diamond in the championship round of the double elimination tournament.

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Other upcoming UNLV Intramural events are the Co-ed four-on-four volleyball season (three divisions) scheduled to begin

April 15; a track meet with both men's and women's divisions is slated for April 17; a swim meet is pegged for April 24; and a one-day outdoor volleyball tournament with four divisions is scheduled for May 1.

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An East vs. West All-Star game shut the door on the 1993 UNLV Intramural Basketball season Tuesday. The East squad defeated the West team, 77-72.

Jason Cunningham, who competed this season for Scoring Unlimited, scored 20 points to win the MVP award.

Mate Demetrius Ward (15 points) and Phi Delt Bill Reddin (12 points) were the other double-digit scorers for the East, a team coached by Brian Adams of Bomb Squad.

Looters' Russ Myers scored a game-high 28 points in a losing cause for the Anthony Paul-coached West squad.



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