

Basketball

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points, 13 boards, three blocks and a career-high four assists. Thomas had his best game of the season by dumping in 11 points and dishing out eight assists before his costly turnover at the end.

Dec. 22—UNLV fell to 0-4, the school's worst start since 1958, after losing 39-72 at Louisville.

The Rebels were in the game early, trailing 23-20, before Louisville pulled away to make it 38-22 at halftime. Rebel mistakes contributed as UNLV committed 22 turnovers for the game.

Manuel was held scoreless in the first half, before recovering in the second half to lead the team in scoring with 17 points. Savoy contributed 16 points. Stewart kicked in with 14 points and 12 rebounds.

Dec. 28—The Rebels started their swing through Florida by squeaking past Miami (Fla.) 56-55 for Gerg's first win as coach at UNLV.

Johnson hit a 3-pointer with 45 seconds left to supply the winning margin.

Johnson led the Rebels to victory by supplying 16 points on 5-8 shooting from 3-point range. The rest of the team was a combined 0-10 from behind the stripe.

Savoy supplied 16 points also, while Stewart collected 11 points and 12 rebounds.

Dec. 30—The Rebels' run through the Sunshine State continued as UNLV won a weird one, 103-90 in overtime, against Central Florida to push its record to 2-4.

Stewart hit a 35-footer at the buzzer to send the contest into overtime tied at 84. It was the first 3-pointer of Stewart's ca-

reer. From there, UNLV hit 17-21 free throws to take control of the game. The Rebels finished 36-48 from the charity stripe, setting season highs.

Stewart finished the game with a season-high 31 points to go along with 11 rebounds. Savoy established a new career high with 29 points resulting from 9-13 shooting, including 4-4 from behind the 3-point stripe. Manuel collected 15 points.

Jan. 5—The Rebels began 1995 by losing at UC Santa Barbara 77-61. The loss dropped UNLV to 2-5, and placed the team at 0-2 for the first time ever in Big West play.

The game started ominously for UNLV as UCSB bolted out to an 11-0 lead. The Rebels regrouped to claim a 13-12 lead, but the Gauchos made a 15-8 run later in the half to go up 34-25.

UNLV climbed to within six in the second half before they filtered quickly down the stretch.

The Rebels played perhaps their worst game of the season as they set season lows for field-goal and free-throw percentage. UNLV was 24-64 (38 percent) and 7-18 (39 percent) respectively.

Savoy was the only Rebel to perform well with 18 points and 10 boards. Stewart had his worst game of the season with 13 points, on 5-13 shooting, and six rebounds.

Manuel didn't score until 11:13 remained in the game, while Johnson finished with two points. UCSB outrebounded UNLV 46-37, while shooting 52 percent from the field.

Jan. 6—Grgurich, 52, checked into an undisclosed California hospital for symptoms related to exhaustion.

Jan. 7—Grgurich received his first home win as UNLV coach without even being in the state as the Rebels nip UC Irvine 84-80.

Landa orchestrated the win, before an announced crowd of 9,937, which gave UNLV a 3-5 record (1-2 in the Big West).

Manuel had a season-high 27 points, including a career-high 8-13 from 3-point range.

Other contributors were Stewart (17 points, 10 rebounds), Savoy (14 points, 10 rebounds) and Lee, who had his finest game

by far as a Rebel (eight points, six rebounds and two blocks after posting six points and eight boards for the season prior to the game).

The win didn't come easy as UNLV had to end the game with a 13-4 run to provide the final score. A Savoy offensive put-back gave the Rebels an insurmountable 78-76 lead.

UNLV committed a season-low 11 turnovers during the game.

Jan. 8—UNLV received an oral commitment from Avondre Jones

of Chaffey (Calif.) College.

Jones, a 6-foot-11-inch center, played as a freshman at USC.

Chaffey's head coach is George Tarkanian, son of Jerry.

Jan. 12—UNLV overcame 24 turnovers to win at Cal State-Northridge, 91-79, by hitting a season-high 87 percent from the free-throw line.

The Rebels shot 32-37 from the line. Stewart led the way by making 15-17. It was Stewart's best day from the line as a Rebel. He finished with 31 points, tying his season high, and 14 rebounds.

Damian Smith hit for a career-high 19 points in the win. Savoy continued his steady play with 15 points and 11 boards.

Landa benched Thomas for 32 minutes in what proved to be L.T.'s swan song. Thomas' final game resulted in two points, no assists, two turnovers and three fouls.

The Matadors gave UNLV trouble, trailing by only five with 1:26 remaining, before the Rebels pulled away with a 9-2 run.

Jan. 13—Thomas left UNLV. Gerg was released from the hospital.

Jan. 14—Gerg met with the team for the first time since being hospitalized.

Jan. 16—UNLV made a stab at it, but 19th-ranked New Mexico State proved too deep in their 99-79 home win over the Rebels.

The Rebels took a 52-51 lead into the half after a 7-0 run which featured a Damian Smith 3-point bomb, a Johnson full-court drive for a bucket and foul shot and a Stewart offensive put-back off of Johnson's miss.

The Aggies ended UNLV's hopes of an upset by putting the game on ice with a 30-5 run midway through the second half.

The Rebels were outrebounded by the Aggies 46-33. UNLV also committed a season-high 27 turn-

overs, compared to 15 for MSU.

But the deciding factor was depth. While the Rebels had five players play at least 27 minutes, the Aggies had 10 players play at least 13 minutes, but none of them played more than 29.

Sunshine started at point guard, but that role was handled mostly by Manuel, who had a career-high seven assists.

Damian Smith had another good effort with 18 points, mostly off of five 3-pointers in the first half. Stewart provided a steady 21 points and eight rebounds. Savoy chipped in 14 points and eight boards, while Johnson collected 13 points.

The Rebels continue to hit the road this week with games at Nevada-Reno tonight and at Utah State Saturday night.

The Wolf Pack come into tonight's 7:30 contest with a record of 8-6, 4-2 in conference. They are led by senior guard Ethan O'Bryant, the Big West Player of the Week.

O'Bryant comes into the contest averaging 13.1 points per game and 6.9 assists per game for coach Pat Foster's squad. He is coming off a 23-point, seven-assist game against Fullerton, a 95-82 win.

Junior forward Faron Hand is the Wolfpack's leading scorer. He is averaging 14.4 ppg. Senior Jimmy Moore is the team's main threat inside however.

Moore, recently back from a four-game suspension, averages 13.1 ppg, and leads the Pack with 6.6 rebounds per game. He will be assisted on the boards by junior center Daniel Watts, who had 16 rebounds in the win at Fullerton.

Junior Damien Edwards is the remaining starter for the Pack, averaging 8.1 ppg, including 27

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Tim Grgurich

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**Mandatory Captain's Meeting
Wednesday, January 25th
at 4:00 pm or 6:00 pm in
MSU - Lounge 201**

**Entry Fee/Forfeit Fee
\$20.00/\$20.00**

Tournament begins Friday, Jan. 27th

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Fall '94 Standings

REBEL CUP

Women

- 1. AGD 287
- 2. ADPi 270
- 3. Sigma Kappa 260
- 4. Delta Zeta 80

Men

- 1. Kappa Sig 714
- 2. Phi Delt 490
- 3. SAE 472
- 4. Lambda Chi 369

TEAM OF THE YEAR

Women

- 1. Untouchables 460
- 2. Island Girls 420
- 3. FASA 330
- 4. Sigma Kappa 230

Men

- 1. FASA 370
- 2. Kappa Sig 340
- 3. Prime Time 310
- 4. XXX 220