

Sports Briefs

Student tickets for football being distributed

Student tickets for the first two home Rebel football games will be distributed Wednesday starting at 7 a.m. at the Thomas & Mack box office.

Tickets also will be handed out in the Moyer Student Union lobby on Tuesday, Sept. 5 and Wednesday, Sept. 6 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

There is a sellout campaign for the first game against Arkansas State on Sept. 9. The Athletic Development office wants to get students to fill Sam Boyd Stadium to capacity. The second game is against Hawaii on Sept. 30.

To get tickets students must have their student ID with them. Full-time stu-

dents are allowed one free ticket to each game, and can purchase up to three more at half price. Part-time students may buy up to four tickets per game at half price.

Pre-game festivities for the first game has also been arranged by CSUN with food, drinks and music provided.

There also will be buses available to and from the campus to Sam Boyd Stadium.

UNLV sports complexes open to public

Instead of joining an expensive health club, people can work out at various facilities on the UNLV campus.

The North gym and campus weight room is open to the public Monday through Friday, 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. as well as Saturdays and Sundays from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Racquetball courts are available all day, but a one day advance reservation is required. A \$2 fee per person per hour for the use of the court. Reservations can be made by calling 895-3157.

Public lap swimming is now available at the campus swimming pool. It is open Monday through Friday 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., and Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. The pool is under maintenance and will reopen Friday.

The outdoor track is open during daylight hours and the tennis courts are available for reservation by calling the Tennis Office at 895-4489.

WAC Football Championships to be held at UNLV

The Western Athletic Conference Committee announced in June the 1996 and 1997

WAC Football Championships will be held at the Sam Boyd Stadium.

This announcement followed the WAC decision to hold the 1997, 1998 and 1999 Men's and Women's Basketball Tournaments at the Thomas & Mack Center.

"Officials at the Sam Boyd Stadium are thrilled with the WAC decision," said Ron Drake, assistant director for the T&M and Sam Boyd Stadium in a press release from the T&M offices. "The Sam Boyd Stadium offers great sight lines, easy accessibility, plenty of parking and an enjoyable, intimate outdoor environment. Our recent improvements combined with our planned improvements will enhance the overall entertainment experience for all our guest."

Tucker DiEdwardo, presi-

dent of Las Vegas Events, stated in the same press release, "The Football Championships combined with the Men's and Women's Basketball Tournaments provide the Las Vegas community with a wonderful opportunity to demonstrate their support of major intercollegiate athletic events. The success of Las Vegas' bid is a direct result of a well conceived plan and team effort by the Las Vegas Convention and Visitors Authority, UNLV and Las Vegas Events."

The WAC has 13 schools that are located in the nation's top 100 major markets, including four in the top 20 and three in the top 10. With 16 universities in the WAC is also the nation's largest NCAA Division 1-A.

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Rebel's baseball finishes season in fourth

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After an up and down 1994-95 season, the UNLV baseball team finished fourth in the Big West with a 32-24 record.

The Rebels ended the season by traveling to Long Beach for the first Big West Baseball Tournament, where they earned one of only four spots. Other schools involved in the tournament were Long Beach State, Cal State Fullerton and UCLA.

The Rebels went into the tournament with a three-game winning streak, and also winners of seven of their last 10. Their train was derailed, however, as the Rebels dropped their last eight games.

The tournament started with the Rebels facing Long Beach State for three games, where they promptly lost all three games and continued on the same route. Cal State Fullerton followed up with their domination of the Rebels by beating them 12-1, and the mercy stroke for UNLV came from UCLA with a three-game set in which the Bruins scored in double figures every games.

The Hustlin' Rebels finish up with their 18th 30 win and above .500 season in the past 20 years.

Freshman third baseman Ryan Hankins was named to the Freshman All-America team by Baseball America and Collegiate Baseball. He batted .383 on the season with 12

home runs and 49 RBI. Hankins also collected 18 doubles and had a .625 slugging percentage.

Sophomore pitcher Nate Yeskie also finished with Big West All American honors. He went 11-5 with a 4.36 ERA and a 147 strikeouts, which is a school record.

Two players were drafted by Major League teams. Catcher Travis McClendon was picked up by the St. Louis Cardinals in the 25th round and pitcher Joel Garber was drafted in the 33rd round by the Chicago White Sox.

The core of the Rebels staff will remain intact for next season and the team has a strong young group ready to make a surge forward.



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