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Lady Rebels

UNLV LADY REBEL BASKETBALL

Teresa Endicott Willis became the member of yet another elite basketball group this past weekend when the UNLV Lady Rebel was selected to the Kodak All-Region 8 Team.

This year's leading scorer (24.8 ppg) and rebounder (11.9 rpg) for the 24-4 Lady Rebels, Willis was joined on the All-Regional squad by Denise Curry (UCLA), Kim Maddox (Cal Stae, Fullerton).

A 5-9 junior forward, Willis currently is recovering from ligament repair surgery on her ankle. After a rehabilitation period, she is expected to be ready for the 1979-80 season.

In addition to being the squad's top scorer and rebounder, Willis finished the 1978-79 season as the owner of four UNLV records: most points scored by an individual in a game (44 vs. Utah State, 12/16/78); most free throws attempted by an individual in a game (24 vs. Cal Poly, Pomona, 1/3/79); most free throws made by an individual in a season (194); and most free throws attempted by an individual in a season (304).

The 670 points which she scored this past season place her third on the list of All-Time Lady Rebel scorers.

The former two-time junior college All-American was named the Most Valuable Player of both the NIKE Tournament of Champions (which included Maryland, North Carolina State and Montclair State) and the Las Vegas Round Robin Tournament. Willis also was selected to the All-Tournament Team at the Western AIAW Sub-Regional Basketball Championships.

UNLV LADY REBEL SWIMMING

Karen Rempal, a freshman from Southfield, Michigan, became the first UNLV woman or man swimmer to score at a national meet this past weekend when she placed 16th in the 200-yard freestyle at the AIAW (Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women) University Swimming and Diving Championships at the University of Pittsburgh.

Originally seeded 54th in the event, Rempal covered the distance in 1:52.59, a new Lady Rebel record. The Groves High School graduate also finished 22nd in the 100-yard freestyle with a 52.91 clocking.

"Karen had been progressing rapidly in practice prior to leaving for Pittsburgh," relates UNLV head coach, Wes Mock. "She just swam extremely well, especially for a freshman, at the national meet."

In addition to the 100 and 200 freestyle, Rempal also owns the UNLV records for the 50 backstroke (29.42), 100 backstroke (1:03.1), and 200 backstroke (2:19.9).

Also representing UNLV at the national meet were sprinter Colleen Sapp (FR; Warminster, PA), breast-stroker Joanne Girvin (FR; Loudonville, NY) and diver Kristi Gritton (FR; Indianapolis, IN).

An All-State high school swimmer, Sapp was the 23rd finisher in the 50-yard freestyle competition with a timing of 23.74, another new UNLV record. Sapp's other Lady Rebel best times include the 50 butterfly (28.5), 100 butterfly (1:01.48), and the 100 IM (1:02.3).

Girvin, a former high school All-American, recorded a 1:08.01 in the 100-yard breaststroke, which placed her in the 24th spot. She also holds the UNLV records for the 50 breaststroke (31.4), 100 breaststroke (1:07.68) and 200 breaststroke (2:28.95).

On the boards, Gritton finished 33rd in the one-meter competition and 45th in the three-meter event. In all, 85 divers were entered at the meet.

UNLV Baseball

HUSTLIN' REBEL MELODRAMA

The Hustlin' Rebels are somewhat behind the pace which head coach Fred Dallimore envisioned at this particular point in time. However, he is not upset.

"We showed a lot of character by bouncing back and winning this past week," said the sixth-year coach, whose team was ranked 19th by Collegiate Baseball last week. "The kids are playing well, and if we could ever get healthy there's no telling just what we could do."

The Hustlin' Rebels currently have seven players, three of them starting pitchers, who are suffering from some sort of physical disorder. Kirk Jones (4-2, 2.76 ERA) has a pesky finger blister. Dan Fischer (3-2 2.18 ERA) has some soreness in his throwing arm, and Don Sutherland (0-3 5.40 ERA) has drooped two straight games while suffering from an intestinal disorder.

Third baseman Bill Max, who is hitting .625 (20 for 32) over his last nine games, has a slight groin pull, but should be back soon. Shortstop Dave Kinsel (.243) is still hurting from a lower back problem, while first baseman Ed Crow (.330) has a slight knee injury. Dan Murphy (.357), the Hustlin' Rebels centerfielder, missed one game with the flu.

"Still, we won four of five," Dallimore added. "We say all the time that the bench will win games for you, they are the ones to be commended."

UNLV FOOTBALL

With spring football practice set to start on Saturday, UNLV's coaching staff has now completed phase II of its recruiting for the 1979 season, announcing that 18 high school seniors and one junior college sophomore have signed national letters-of-intent to play football for the Rebels beginning this fall.

"We did very well in certain areas of our recruiting," commented head coach Tony Knap, "and in others we didn't come out as good as we would have hoped. All in all, however, I think we are bringing in a good group of new prospects for UNLV football."

"When added to the 13 new players we brought in for spring practice, our overall recruiting went very well," concluded Knap, who has a three year record of 25-9 at UNLV and a 121-42-2 career mark.

In all, the UNLV coaching staff signed a dozen offensive players and seven who are destined to be a part of the Big Red defensive unit. On offense, the Rebel coaches brought in three more running backs, three offensive linemen, a pair of quarterbacks and four receivers.

On defense, one new lineman will be coming to Las Vegas along with four linebackers and two defensive backs.



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