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Upset Scored in Pro Baseball Team Arm Wrestling Tournament

It was a re-match of David and Goliath in the Pro Men's Heavyweight Arm Wrestling Championship held recently

Atlanta, GA, who was defeated by John Brzenk, Jr. and John Bunonato to finish in third place.

Second place finisher, John Bunonato of Tustin, Ca, is self-employed and weighed in at 205 lbs. He

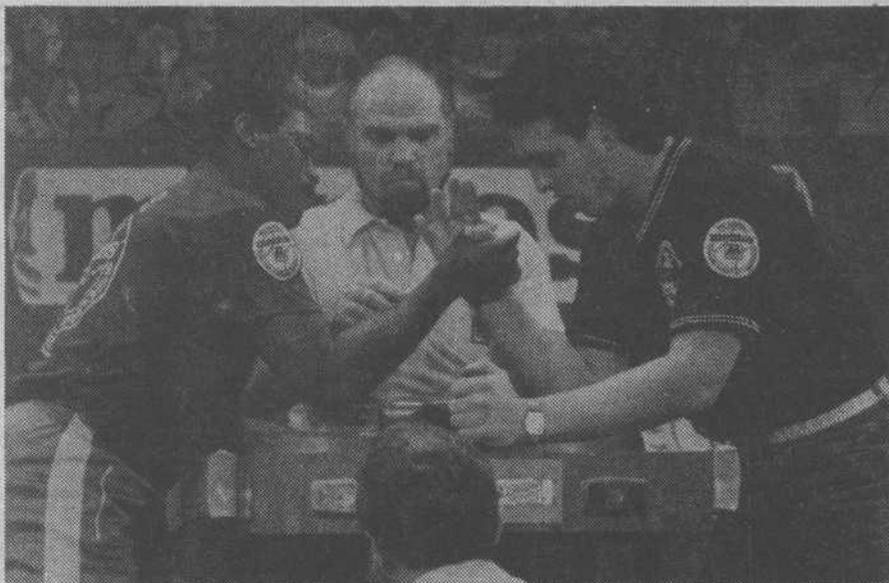
went to Mike Diaz of the Pittsburgh Pirates. He was without a teammate. Montreal Expos Tim Wallach and Tim Raines took \$3,000 for second place and Chicago White Sox Willie Horton, last year's champ, and Ken Williams split \$2,000 for third place. Matt Nokes and Brian Harper (Detroit Tigers) shared \$1,500 for their fourth place finish.

Competition was heated in the pro women arm wrestler's "Tournament of Champion." Rhonda Lindley of Pinson, AL, defeated all comers to take first place and \$500. Kathy Dudley, waitress from Las Vegas, NV, took second (\$300) and

Kim Braid, a truck driver from Seeleys Bay, Canada, finished third and took home \$100.

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The events were taped for TV by ESPN Sports Network which reaches some 44 million viewers and is scheduled to begin airing in March, 1987.



Tim Raines

Mike Diaz

at the Imperial Palace Hotel & Casino in Las Vegas, NV. The score was once again David 1, Goliath 0. Suffering the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune was champ, Johnny Walker of

Brzenk from Sandy, UT, an airline maintenance man, won the Pro Men's Light Heavyweight title and took home \$1,700 for his efforts. He has been competing for four years.

took home \$1,200 while Walker received \$600 for third. Fourth place went to Travis Baldwin from Cresswell, OR, with \$300 prize money.

In the Pro Baseball Team Arm Wrestling Championship, first place and \$5,000

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