

LAS VEGAS

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## TOP SEEDS CHICAGO AND PORTLAND SET TO ADVANCE

# BOSTON CARRIES ELEVEN-GAME WIN STREAK INTO ROUND TWO

By W.G. Ramirez

The Boston Celtics became the first team to advance in the NBA playoffs with a 102-98 victory over the Indiana Pacers this past Monday for a sweep of their best-of-5 series. Boston moves into the second round with an 11-game winning streak and 18 wins in 19 games. The Celtics are the second-seed in the Eastern Conference and will meet the winner of the Cleveland-New Jersey series. New Jersey stayed alive this past Tuesday, by beating Cleveland 109-104. The playoff victory was the first, by the Nets, in eight years.

At press time, the defending champion Chicago Bulls were set to face Miami with the Bulls up 2 games-to-0. Chicago went into the game as 10-point favorites to win the game and complete a three game sweep over the Heat. The Bulls will face the winner of the New York-Detroit series which is currently led by the Knicks 2 games-to-1. Star center Patrick Ewing scored 12 of his 32 points in the fourth quarter and added four more in overtime to lead New York to a

90-87 win over the Pistons Tuesday night.

The Seattle SuperSonics can wrap up their best-of-5 series with a victory over Golden St., at home, Thursday evening. Shawn Kemp's two free throws with 6.1 seconds left gave the 'Sonics a 129-128 victory over the Warriors Tuesday giving Seattle a 2-1 edge. If the 'Sonics advance to the second round they could be in store for a matchup with #1 seed Portland which leads their series, with the Lakers, 2-0.

Making their first NBA playoff appearance in 16 years, the LA Clippers avoided being swept by Utah Tuesday night by beating the Jazz 98-88. Doc Rivers scored all 15 of his points in the second half in leading L.A. to victory. The winner of this series will face either Phoenix or San Antonio in round two. The Suns led 2-0 and was scheduled to tip-off against the Spurs at press time.

### NBA PLAYOFFS

**THURSDAY, APRIL 30**  
Cleveland at N.J. Nets, 7:30 p.m.  
Utah at LA Clippers, 7:30 p.m.

Golden St. at Seattle, 7:30 p.m.

### FRIDAY, MAY 1

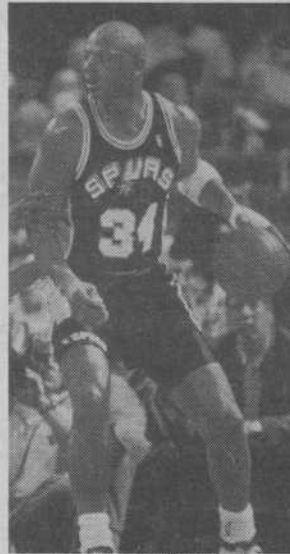
New York at Detroit, TBA  
Chicago at Miami, TBA,  
if necessary  
Phoenix at San Antonio, TBA,  
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Portland at LA Lakers, TBA,  
if necessary

### SATURDAY, MAY 2

N.J. Nets at Cleveland, 10 a.m.,  
if necessary  
LA Clippers at Utah, TBA,  
if necessary  
Seattle at Golden St., TBA,  
if necessary

### SUNDAY, MAY 3

Miami at Chicago, 10 a.m.,  
if necessary  
Detroit at New York, TBA,



TERRY CUMMINGS  
SAN ANTONIO SPURS

if necessary  
San Antonio at Phoenix, TBA,  
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LA Lakers at Portland, TBA,  
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### PLAYOFF LEADERS

as of (4-29-92)

#### SCORING

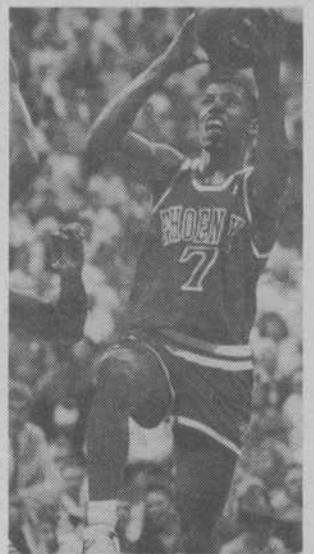
Michael Jordan, Chicago 39.5  
Terry Cummings, Spurs 30.5  
Karl Malone, Utah 28.7

#### REBOUNDS

Shawn Kemp, Seattle 15.0  
Detlef Schrempf, Indiana 13.0  
Buck Williams, Portland 12.5

#### ASSISTS

Kevin Johnson, Phoenix 18.0  
John Stockton, Utah 17.7  
Mark Price, Cleveland 12.3



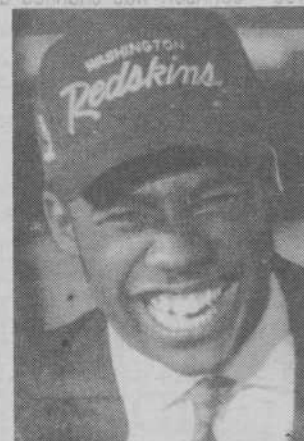
KEVIN JOHNSON  
PHOENIX SUNS

## First-Round Picks

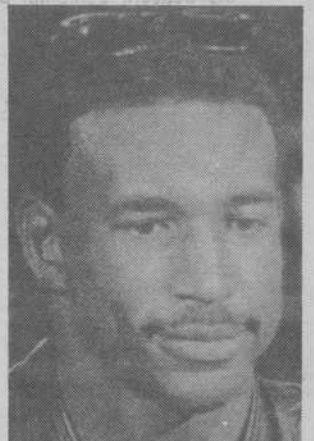
| No. Team                    | Player, position        | College         |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Indianapolis              | Steve Emtman*, DT       | Washington      |
| 2 Indianapolis <sup>1</sup> | Quentin Coryatt, LB     | Texas A&M       |
| 3 Los Angeles Rams          | Sean Gilbert*, DL       | Pittsburgh      |
| 4 Washington <sup>2</sup>   | Desmond Howard*, WR     | Michigan        |
| 5 Green Bay                 | Terrell Buckley*, DB    | Florida State   |
| 6 Cincinnati <sup>3</sup>   | David Klingler, QB      | Houston         |
| 7 Miami <sup>4</sup>        | Troy Vincent, DB        | Wisconsin       |
| 8 Atlanta <sup>5</sup>      | Bob Whitfield*, OT      | Stanford        |
| 9 Cleveland                 | Tommy Vardell, FB       | Stanford        |
| 10 Seattle                  | Ray Roberts, OT         | Virginia        |
| 11 Pittsburgh               | Leon Searcy, OT         | Miami (Fla.)    |
| 12 Miami                    | Marco Coleman*, LB      | Georgia Tech    |
| 13 New England <sup>6</sup> | Eugene Chung, OL        | Virginia Tech   |
| 14 New York Giants          | Derek Brown, TE         | Notre Dame      |
| 15 New York Jets            | Johnny Mitchell*, TE    | Nebraska        |
| 16 L.A. Raiders             | Chester McGlockton*, DT | Clemson         |
| 17 Dallas <sup>7</sup>      | Kevin Smith, DB         | Texas A&M       |
| 18 San Francisco            | Dana Hall, DB           | Washington      |
| 19 Atlanta <sup>8</sup>     | Tony Smith, RB          | Southern Miss.  |
| 20 Kansas City              | Dale Carter, DB         | Tennessee       |
| 21 New Orleans              | Vaughn Dunbar, RB       | Indiana         |
| 22 Chicago                  | Alonzo Spellman*, DE    | Ohio State      |
| 23 San Diego <sup>9</sup>   | Chris Mims, DL          | Tennessee       |
| 24 Dallas                   | Robert Jones, LB        | East Carolina   |
| 25 Denver                   | Tommy Maddox*, QB       | UCLA            |
| 26 Detroit                  | Robert Porcher, DL      | S. Carolina St. |
| 27 Buffalo                  | John Fina, OL           | Arizona         |
| 28 Cincinnati <sup>10</sup> | Darryl Williams*, DB    | Miami (Fla.)    |

<sup>1</sup>from Tampa Bay; <sup>2</sup>from Cincinnati; <sup>3</sup>from Washington through San Diego; <sup>4</sup>from Phoenix; <sup>5</sup>from New England; <sup>6</sup>from Minnesota through Dallas; <sup>7</sup>from Philadelphia through Green Bay and Atlanta; <sup>8</sup>from Atlanta through Dallas and New England; <sup>9</sup>from Houston; <sup>10</sup>from Washington.  
\*junior; #-sophomore

## RAIDERS AND REDSKINS ACQUIRE KEY PLAYERS



HEISMAN TROPHY WINNER  
DESMOND HOWARD



ALL PRO RUNNING BACK  
ERIC DICKERSON

By W.G. Ramirez

Bold moves and brassy trades turned the first round of the NFL draft into a hey-day for the Los Angeles Raiders and the Washington Redskins.

During draft day, the Raiders acquired running back Eric Dickerson by sending a pair of draft choices to the Indianapolis Colts.

Washington sent a pair of first-round choices to the Cincinnati Bengals enabling the defending Super Bowl champion to select receiver Desmond Howard, the Heisman Trophy winner, with the fourth pick.

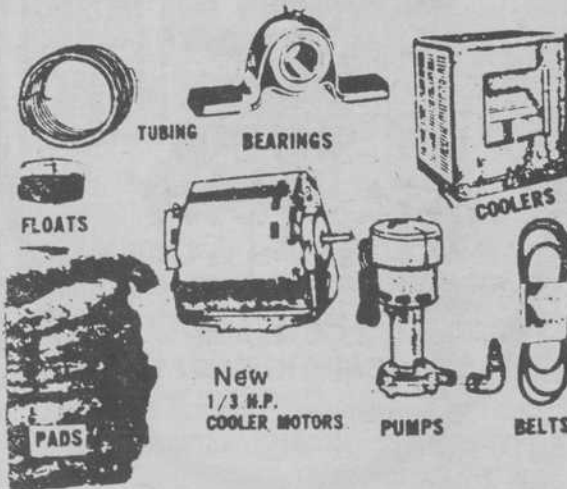
Dickerson, 31, is the third leading rusher in National Football League history, with 12,439 yards, topped only by former NFL greats Walter Payton (16,726) and Tony Dorsett (12,739).

At 6-2 and 220 pounds, Dickerson has rushed for 100 or more yards in 62 of the 126 league games in which he has played. His career rushing average is 98.7 yards per league game.

Washington, with two first-round choices for the first time since 1961, moved up to keep Howard from Green Bay's clutches at No. 5.

Howard, a Dallas Cowboy fan as a youngster, took time away from studying for his final exams to visit the Redskins last Sunday. He'll graduate Saturday with a communications degree. Howard is a fourth-year junior.

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